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Bengal	Dec. 7	Burmah (Rangoon)	Nov. 13
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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

THE arrival of the Bombay mail has placed us in receipt of papers from that Presidency to the 13th December, and from Calcutta to the 6th of that month. They contain very little news of public interest beyond a General Order relating to the Medical Service, which will be found elsewhere. It is intended to correct a misunderstanding that arose out of the loose wording of a General Order on the same subject issued on the 20th June last, and which appeared to authorise staff allowances in addition to the regular pay. This error is now rectified, but the fortunate individuals who, on the appearance of the former order, drew the allowances to which they fancied themselves entitled, will not, it is said, be called upon to refund, as the mistake was not theirs, but on the part of the Government.

There are no tidings of the Bhootan expedition of so late a date as the following very vague and unsatisfactory telegram received at the India Office:—

"CALCUTTA, Dec. 12.

"Fortress of Dalimkota, Bhootan, captured with slight loss of two officers and fifty men. Position described as very strong.

"An accidental explosion of powder caused the death of three officers and seven men."

It is impossible to judge from this announcement whether these officers and men have been killed or only wounded. If the former, it can hardly be said that a hill fort has been won by a slight loss, for the wounded may be reckoned as at least three times as numerous as the slain. As there

is no such thing as a mere accident, the explosion of the powder magazine, or whatever it was, must have been caused by a negligence more destructive than the weapons of the enemy.

The rumoured arrest of Maharajah Jung Bahadoor is tacitly contradicted. Instead of being engaged in intriguing with the Bhootahs, the Maharajah is reported to be hunting in the Terai, near Rungpore, in company with the King.

Lady Lawrence is reported, by telegraph, to have arrived at Galle on board H.M.'s steamship *Feroze*, on the 28th Nov. The Viceroy proposes to return to the Hills at a very early date, the Secretary of State having sanctioned his Excellency's absence from Calcutta for six months in the year. The office establishment is to be started up-country about the end of March, the greater portion of the records belonging to the various departments having been purposely left at Simla.

A very important notification appears in the *Calcutta Gazette* authorising, until further notice, the receipt of English and Australian sovereigns and half-sovereigns at all Government Treasuries, taking them as equivalent to ten and five rupees respectively. At these rates, also, they are to be paid to any person willing to receive them in payment of claims against the Government. It has been further directed that "Government currency notes shall, until further notice, be issued at the offices and agencies of issue of the several circles of Government paper currency in British India, in exchange for sovereigns and half-sovereigns, coined at any authorised royal mint in India or Australia, and of current weight, calculated at the rate of ten and five rupees respectively, to an extent not exceeding one-fourth of the total amount of issues represented by coin, or by coin and bullion in each circle." It is also stated that the Government of India has requested the Secretary of State to send out four patent machines for the new gold Mint, for the purpose of coining sovereigns, half-sovereigns, and quarter-sovereigns.

Sir Charles Wood has in some degree extended to Lieutenant-governors the considerate liberality with which he has dealt with the Viceroy. For the future those high officers of State are allowed to visit Europe on sick leave without forfeiting their appointments. The first Lieutenant-governor to avail himself of this privilege is Mr. Cecil Beadon, and, consequently, there will be no change in the Government of Bengal.

The Rajah of Kuppooorthullah, who was lately invested with the insignia of the Star of India, has entered into a foolish controversy with the Government as to the right of trying British subjects in his own Courts instead of handing them over to the British authorities. This assumption is not calculated to improve the Rajah's relations with the Government.

His Excellency Sir Hugh Rose is recovering from the effects of his accident. The injury he sustained was not so great as was at first feared. His general health, however, is impaired, and his retirement will probably take place at an early date. There is still some speculation among the Indian journals as to his Excellency's successor, who will probably be Sir William Mansfield.

The Ameer of Cabool returned to his capital on the 14th November. The whole territory of Kokan has been taken by the Russians, who, it is said, are preparing to march against Toorkistan. A Persian army has arrived at Musked from Teheran, and the Persian troops formerly stationed there, thus relieved, have marched towards Herat.

The subscriptions for the relief of sufferers by the late cyclone are said to amount to the large sum of £35,000. Four expeditions by steamer have been sent down the river Hooghly, on the banks of which the greatest amount of destitution prevailed. They have taken down in all about 10,000 maunds of rice, 17 maunds of dall, 224 of oil, 116 of salt, 1,200 blankets, 24,600 yards of cotton cloth, and sundry other supplies.

It is almost superfluous to remark that more than the moiety of this sum was received from Bombay, where £9,000 was collected in addition to the £10,000 contributed by a few Parsee gentlemen. The *Friend of India* thus sums up the damage done to the shipping in the river:—

Number of vessels in the Port on the 4th	
October	198
Tonnage represented	182,836
Number left slightly injured on the 6th	38
Much damaged	139
Totally destroyed	21
Tonnage of vessels destroyed or rendered unseaworthy	144,042

The charge made against Captain Ferrers, of the 3rd Cavalry, of having, at the last Kamptee Races, run a different horse to the one he had entered, has been investigated by a Court of Inquiry, and pronounced utterly unfounded. The disagreeable affair at Mhow was also greatly exaggerated, and has terminated without public scandal. We regret that we cannot

speak as lightly of the reported mutiny of European artillerymen at Bellary. According to the *Bombay Gazette* Captain Hannagan, who commanded the Madras Battery of Artillery at that station, is under arrest, pending a court-martial. The men burnt down the Orderly Room with all the records, and threatened to take Captain Hannagan's life if they could have caught him before he left the station.

The Bombay papers also allude to a disturbance among the Bagteas, a wild tribe on the Scinde frontier. General Wilde, C.B., and Major Pollock, Political Agent, are gone to Jacobabad, to concert measures with the officers of the Bombay Government for their pacification.

Speculation is so rife at Bombay that all sorts of companies are daily starting into an ephemeral existence. The concourse of sharebrokers near the Banks is so great that the police have been obliged to interfere by force to keep the road clear for traffic. Among the latest prospectuses is that of the Great India Railway Passenger Insurance and General Accident Company, the promoters of which are the chief officials of that line. The wags, of course, remark that it will always be in their power to alarm the public into taking tickets by the simple expedient of an occasional accident. The French company, the Messageries Impériales, propose immediately to commence a service of steamers running fortnightly between Suez and Bombay. That Presidency will consequently enjoy the advantages of weekly communication with Europe.

We regret to chronicle the loss of H.M.'s despatch steamer *Racehorse*, at the entrance of Chetoo harbour, on the evening of the 4th November. Of the entire crew of 108 men and officers, only the commander, paymaster, boatswain, and six men were saved. The *Navy List* describes the *Racehorse* as 695 tons register, and 200-horse power, and carrying four guns. Her officers were as follows:—Commander Charles R. F. Boxer, R.N., First Lieutenant William Farquhar, Second Lieutenant Arthur G. C. Tait, Master Thomas Dobbin, surgeon James E. Fawcett, Paymaster W. H. Thompson, Assistant-Paymaster Richard Crabbe.

It is intended to publish a Portrait Gallery of distinguished natives of India, in a series of steel engravings, from photographs, by eminent European artists, to be accompanied by brief memoirs of the individuals represented.

On Tuesday last Mr. Charles Buxton addressed his constituents at Maidstone on a large variety of political questions. Alluding to India, he expressed a hope that the time was not far distant when each Presidency would be vested with greater functional powers, and be rendered less dependent upon the Supreme Government. The progress of the country, he said, was impeded by routine. Nothing could be done without reference to the Viceroy, and before his Excellency could give a decisive answer he, in his turn, had to refer to the Secretary of State. We fear there is too much truth in this likening of the Indian Government to one of those ingenious Chinese boxes that begin with one no larger than a pill-box and go on in-

creasing in magnitude until one is formed that contains all the rest, but nothing more.

In our last issue, in the course of some remarks on the Indian Medical Service, we stated that the pensions are independent of the Medical Retiring Fund. That was clearly an error, for in future there will be no medical funds, as is shown in para. 4 of the despatch commented upon. The new pensions, therefore, will not be nearly so good as the pension and fund allowance of the old company.

All officers of the Indian Staff Corps, and whosoever is ambitious of attaining to that distinction, are bound to tender their cordial thanks to Mr. G. E. Cochrane, Assistant Military Secretary, India Office, for publishing in a clear and condensed form all rules and regulations pertaining thereunto. In a small convenient volume will be found all orders and rules relating to the formation of the corps and qualification for entry, rank and promotion, transfers and exchanges, retirement, colonel's allowance, furlough, and furlough pay, regular pay and allowances, and a vast mass of miscellaneous information. Another volume is announced shortly to appear, containing all regulations regarding commands, staff appointments, and native languages. We cannot add, indeed, that Mr. Cochrane's very useful and careful little work is to be had at all the circulating libraries, but it can be purchased for five shillings from Messrs. Harrison and Sons, 59, Pall-mall, or at the office of this journal.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[By Telegraph from Suez.]

CALCUTTA, Dec. 15.

Grey shirtings and mule twist are in good demand. Exchange on London, 2s. 1½d. Government Securities: Four per Cents., 91; ditto Five per Cents., 102½; ditto Five-and-a-Half per Cents., 109½. The bank rate of discount has been reduced 1 per cent.

CALCUTTA AND CHINA MAILS.

ALEXANDRIA, Jan. 4.

The *Ceylon* left at noon yesterday, and the *Ripon* at eleven A.M. to-day.

The former may be expected at Marseilles on the 9th (letters in London on the 11th), and the latter at Southampton about the 17th inst.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

BENGAL.—Lieut. Col. H. W. Burt, late of the Bengal Army, at 113, George-street, Edinburgh, Dec. 31. Lieut. M. W. Daniell, Royal Bengal Art., at Brighton, aged 23, Dec. 21. Capt. W. Jackson, late of the Bengal Marines at Bury-cross, Gosport, Dec. 22. Maj. T. G. Souter, Bengal Staff Corps, at 18, Pembroke-street, London, Dec. 30. Maj. F. H. Crawford, H.M.'s 95th Regt., aged 44, at Umbada, Nov. 16. Oscar Byrne, Esq., in medical charge of the Buxar and Korundadee Suds, aged 24, at Buxar, Nov. 25.

MADRAS.—Lieut. W. H. Becks, Madras N.I., at Leghorn, Dec. 29. Lieut. G. W. Morant, 8th Madras L.C., aged 23, at Akaba, Dec. 4.

BOMBAY.—Capt. F. Dumar, of H.H. the Guikowar's Army, at Banda, Nov. 25.

CHINA.—Lieut. W. Farquhar, drowned at the wreck of H.M.S. *Racehorse*, near Chetoo Cape, China, Nov. 4. Lieut. A. G. C. Tait, drowned at the wreck of H.M.S. *Racehorse*, near Chetoo Cape, China, Nov. 4.

Passengers by the present Mail.

For Marseilles.—From Bombay.—Mr. Meta, Mr. Ward, Dr. and Mrs. Hyslop, Dr. Ballinall, Capt. Penny, Maj. FitzGerald, Mr. and Mrs. Bayley, Sir A. Grant, Mr. Brown, Lieut. Ketcher, Mr. Scholl, Mr. Stevenson, Mr. Johnston, Mrs. Gill and two infants. From Alexandria.—Capt. Woodgates, Mrs. Richardson, Mr. Hartley.

Expected at Southampton.

From Bombay.—Col. Dickenson, Mrs. Dickenson and infant, Mrs. Forbes, Lieut. Becke, Dr. Nabies, R.N., Lieut. Murray, Mr. A. Miller.

BENGAL.

ST. ANDREW'S DAY, 1864.

The annual festival of St. Andrew's was kept up last evening at the Town Hall, with the usual grand dinner and toasting as on former occasions. About two hundred sat down to a sumptuous repast, provided by Spence's Hotel Company. The band of the 52nd Regiment enlivened the entertainment by playing many favourite Scotch airs, among them "Auld Lang Syne."

The late hour at which the proceedings terminated precludes our giving anything like a fair report of the speeches, especially those of the Hon. Messrs. Seton Karr and Anderson.

The Chairman, J. A. Crawford, Esq., proposed—"The Queen," which was received, as it always is, enthusiastically. The speaker said that the toast required no comment from him. Her Majesty has enthroned herself in the hearts of all her subjects by a rule uniting excellences to which a Mary Stuart was a stranger, and to which even Elizabeth Tudor's reign could offer no parallel. Among those of her subjects in British India none could excel the Scotchman in devotion and loyalty. The band played "God Save the Queen."

The Chairman next proposed "The Prince and Princess of Wales, and the other members of the Royal Family." He said that the Prince, educated under a worthy father, has proved himself equal to every duty that has fallen upon him, whether in a political or social point of view, and in the latter he has not only shared the good will of the nation with the Princess, but he has been assisted by his Royal sisters, who are now shedding the lustre of English domestic virtues over other thrones and in other countries. Prince Alfred was another noble example, likely to be as popular as William IV. The Duke of Cambridge also has filled and is now filling one of the most important posts, the head of the army of Britain. There was no Royal family in the world which has a better claim to the love and respect of any nation than the Royal Family of Great Britain. The toast was drunk with three times three, the band playing "the Danish National Anthem."

After the toast of the Royal Family had been duly honoured, the Chairman gave a sketch of the career of his Excellency the Viceroy, and said he was sure that so long as the destinies of India were committed to hands so worthy, every man present would cheerfully respond to the toast, "The Viceroy and the land we live in." The toast was received with enthusiasm, the band appropriately playing "Rule Britannia."

The toast of "The Army and Navy" was proposed by the Chairman, and replied to by General Showers, who took the opportunity of vindicating the character of our Sikh soldiers, and of recommending the citizens of Calcutta present to do what they could to prevent groundless alarms by fostering and extending the Volunteer movement. The toast was drunk as it always is, the band giving "The Red, White, and Blue."

The "Pious Memory of St. Andrew" is always a difficult toast to propose; it was, however, done justice to by the chairman, and was drunk in solemn silence, to the tune of "The Land of the Leal."

Mr. Dunlop, the croupier, made an excellent speech in proposing "The Land o' Cakes." This was a toast which could not but be associated with many sweet memories of home, and the dear land far away. It was a sentiment which appealed to every Scottish heart there present, and he was sure that in drinking it they would think of many scenes which would revive their hopes of one day returning to the land of their home and love. It was a sweet thing, and proper, to die for one's country, but he would not ask them to do that, however ready they might be, but to

drink to it only, which was done, after the old Scotch fashion, with hands crossed, and the band playing "Auld Lang Syne."

Mr. Cochran next rose and proposed "The Lassies" in a way which laid the fair under great obligations. The lassies had a great deal to do with helping on civilisation. They were at once our best hope and our best treasure, and few he hoped were they who did not look forward to have his path lightened and his troubles smoothed by some fair and worthy Scotch lassie.

Mr. A. Stewart replied in a neat address for the ladies. The band played "Green grow the Rushes!"

Mr. Seton Karr in the speech of the evening, a speech to which we cannot pretend to do justice here, proposed the next toast, The Memory of Bruce and Wallace." The speaker pointed out in the most eloquent and happy way the virtues for which Scotland's heroes should be honoured and considered as our exemplars. The band played "Scots Wha Hae," and Mr. Bruce, after reciting,

At Bannockburn proud Edward lay,
The Scots they wer'n a far away,
Just waitin' for the break of day,
To show them who were best.

The sun peeped o'er yon purple heath,
And ushered in the field o' death,
As Bruce, wi' soul inspiring breath,
His soldiers thus addressed,

favoured the company with the song.

Next followed, "The Poetry and Literature of Scotland," by the Hon. Mr. Anderson, who rivalled Mr. Seton Karr in the happiness of his allusions and the skillfulness and grace with which he grouped all that was eminent in Scottish literature. The band played—"Ye Banks and Braes."

Mr. Gladstone felt the task of proposing the "Civil Service," a task which he undertook with diffidence. The merits of the service were so conspicuous and so well known, that he felt he could say but very little which could be new on this subject. From the days of Job Charnock the Civil Service had always borne a high character, a character which he and all present felt quite assured would in no way be departed from. The band gave "What's a' the steer."

Mr. Schallch responded to the toast, and said that many and varied were the duties which it fell to the Civil Service to perform, but whether as law-givers, or as superintendents of scavengers, he believed it would be admitted they had done credit to the service to which they had the honour to belong. Scotland had furnished many famous recruits to the ranks of the service, among whom he was proud to reckon the two brilliant speakers who had preceded him—Messrs. Anderson and Seton Karr.

Time, and the space at our disposal, precludes our mentioning, as we should wish, the remainder of the speeches and the toasts.

Mr. Dunlop gave "The Judges and the Bar," which was responded to by the Hon. Mr. Cowie in a humorous speech, the band playing "The Groves of Blarney."

"The Press" was next proposed by the Hon. Mr. Seton Karr, coupled with the name of Mr. J. O. B. Saunders, who returned thanks, the band striking up "Up and Waur them a'."

"The Merchants of Calcutta" was proposed by the Hon. G. Campbell; Mr. Gladstone returned thanks, and the band struck up "Here awa, there awa."

The Hon. Mr. Anderson proposed "The Trades of Calcutta." Mr. Mackintosh responded. The band very appropriately played "Money in both Pockets."

The Hon. Mr. Norman proposed "The Chairman," and the Hon. Mr. Campbell "The Croupier" which were appropriately responded to, the band striking up "Duncan Grey" in the former, and "We won't go home till morning" in the latter.

The last toast of the evening was that of the Secretary, which was replied to by Mr. Pirie Duff, who regretted the absence of Mr. McNeil, and trusted that this annual gathering would never fall away,—a hope which we are sure the guests will share with every Scotchman present.

During the evening the band sung several glees, and a gentleman favoured the company with songs, among which "Polly Perkins" was as good a rendering of a comic song as we have ever heard.—*Hurkaru.*

MISCELLANEOUS.

TROOPS FROM ENGLAND.—According to the *Friend of India*, "Government has determined that in future troops on arrival from England shall not be encamped in the swamps of Bengal, or in the vicinity of the temptations of the infamies of Calcutta Lall Bazaar. The men, it is stated, will be sent to a large camp to be formed at Synthea. This is a wise and a merciful resolve, although the selection of Synthea for the encamping ground is open to objection. The climate there is not sufficiently dry for living in tents until January or February, and again it is a long way from all superior military supervision. It would, therefore, be better to form a camp for fresh arrivals at Benares or Allahabad, where good encamping grounds, in a good climate, are available, and where, also, the men would be well cared for, under the immediate supervision of officers who have had long experience of the requirements of troops fresh from England, and, consequently, unacquainted either with the language, climate, or habits of the country."

BRIDGE OVER THE HOOGHLY.—"What bridge" (asks the *Friend of India*) "could have stood against the tremendous shocks it would have sustained by ships of the heaviest tonnage driving against it, not singly or in couples, but by the score, to say nothing of the violence of the stream, or the irresistible power of the storm-wave? Our correspondent speaks of half a million as being sufficient to build a bridge; we should say that a wooden bridge over such a river as the Hooghly would cost not much less than that. It is very clear that whenever a bridge is built the contingency of a cyclone once in every ten years or so must be calculated for. It might be possible to build a bridge which should outlive even such a storm as that of the 5th of October, but its cost would not be represented by the figures our correspondent puts down."

THE ULWAR MURDER case has fallen through completely. The man who killed Mean Singh has been released, it is said by the advice of some native chiefs, and the Rajah is only to receive a warning from Government. At present the real circumstances of the case are so little known to the outside world that it is difficult to pronounce a decided opinion upon the policy of the Government. It would be better in all respects that when such cases do become public, the Government should take some care to let the correct version be known. It would then have justice done to its motives, and suspicion could rest on no one. While on this subject we may mention that the Nabha case is still under investigation, Mr. Griffin, deputy commissioner, having been appointed to assist Major Cra-croft in making enquiries. Mr. George Plowden, who was expected to take up the case for the Rajah, has declined to do so.

THE CALCUTTA BAR.—The following gentlemen, Messrs. Marindin, Broughton, Millet, and Stephen, were sworn in on the 24th Nov. as members of the Calcutta Bar; the last-named gentleman is a member of the well-known Armenian family of that name, Zemindars of Dacca.

Dr. CHARLES ARCHER has been appointed civil surgeon of Dacca.

SELLING A LAWYER.—A number of letters, said to be from a gentleman on this side of India, are published in *Our Paper* of Kurrachee, which disclose an instance of strange forgetfulness on the part of a military officer. A solicitor, whom, for the sake of distinction, we shall call Mr. A., was out touring it in the North-West, in the legitimate exercise of his vocation, seeking whom he should devour. He had just bagged a client, who promised him a retainer of two thousand rupees, with a bonus of eight thousand more in the event of the suit succeeding, and was on the point of leaving Meean Meer, when Paymaster B. of the blank regiment, called on him, and requested him to stay and assist him at a court-martial which was to have been held at that station, and at which the paymaster was to prosecute. He asked for terms, and was informed by the paymaster that he would get a hundred rupees per day from himself, another hundred from Government, and on the termination of the case, a sum of five hundred from Government and a similar amount from B. The court-martial sat eleven days, and the lawyer of course expected to receive Rs. two thousand two hundred and the additional thousand, making in all three thousand two hundred rupees. His horror may be conceived when on demanding payment he was presented with Rs. 250 only, with the irritating remark that his claim carried "absurdity in its face," and an expression of wonder that "any person with an idea of business or self-consideration could have penned such nonsense!" The whole story is gleaned from the letters published by the attorney himself in the columns of the Kurrachee print, and the statements are entirely on his authority. It appears he appealed to the Commander-in-Chief, Sir Hugh Rose, and was referred to "the Law Courts." Not satisfied with this answer, the lawyer has sent the papers for submission to the Commander-in-Chief in England.

DYSENTERY.—We give insertion to the following specific for dysentery, the use of which was attended with great success when the disease broke out in the camp of the 22nd New York Regiment. Receipt.—In a tea-cup half full of vinegar, dissolve as much salt as it will take up, leaving a little excess of salt at the bottom of the cup. Pour boiling water upon the solution, till the cup is two-thirds or three-quarters full. A warm drink to the surface, which must be removed, and the solution allowed to cool. Dose.—Table-spoonful three times a day till relieved.

A BEAR ADVENTURE.—Here is a story from Almorah, with a Chinaman for a hero:—"An unfortunate Chinaman, employed at Messrs. Murray's tea plantation at Keusanie, was brought in this morning, severely mauled by a bear: the poor devil fired at the bear and wounded it. The infuriated beast rushed at him, and having knocked him down, took off part of his nose and the whole of the left cheek at one bite, exposing the whole of the teeth, tongue and mouth, destroying also the small bones of one of his hands; a ghastly sight to look at! It was, however, quite surprising to see the cool way in which the fellow sat unsupported, and bore the operation of cutting and hacking on his face without wincing or a moan; perhaps the agony he had already undergone had exceeded all that the knife could inflict, or may be, the cold had numbed him, for he was carried in all night."

FATAL ACCIDENT.—We regret to hear from the *Oudh Gazette* of the 19th Nov. of two accidents, one in the Baraitch and the other in the Mohamdee district, both arising out of shooting game. In the first case Mr. Roche, assistant civil engineer, was accidentally drowned in the Anarkully Jheel, he having incautiously gone into the water after a wild duck which he had shot. In the second instance Mr. Haldane, extra assistant commissioner, is said to have lost a thumb and middle finger, the gun having gone off accidentally.

BHAWULPORE.—About eighteen months ago the Nawab executed a *coup d'état*, in which the lives of several of his near relations were sacrificed; others narrowly escaped a similar fate, and took refuge in British territory, where a residence was assigned them by the Government, at Mozuffergurh. About three months ago the Nawab expressed a desire to be on friendly terms with them once more, and assured them that if they would return to their homes their lives and property should be held sacred. After what had occurred they were slow to put their faith in the Nawab's engagements; but he at length succeeded in disarming their suspicions. He swore by the Koran that he would be faithful to his promise. Korans were interchanged, signed, sealed, and delivered according to Mussulman usage, and the exiles left their asylum for Bhawulpore. They had hardly crossed the Sutledge when they were seized by a party of horse and murdered on the spot. This nefarious act of treachery caused a painful sensation even at Bhawulpore, which for some years has been a not unfrequent witness of the most atrocious crimes. So strong was the feeling, that the adherents of the murdered princes thought they could rebel against the Nawab with some hope of success. They mustered their forces and tried their strength, but victory sided with the Nawab; and the vanquished, after many losses, again retired to British territory. These occurrences have of course been reported to Government, and the Nawab has been called upon for an explanation of his conduct. He has at the same time been warned that there is a limit to the forbearance of Government. The Nawab replies to those warnings with great activity in building a new fort. And thus matters stand at present. For some time past the province has been in a state of anarchy. Hundreds of families have left their homes and settled on our side the Sutledge, and thousands would follow but that they are not allowed to remove their property. The river is carefully guarded to intercept runaways. The people are praying for annexation; and now that the Nawab so openly evinces his contempt for the British Government there is a very general feeling on both sides of the river that the days of his rule are numbered.—*Doh's Gazette.*

WILD BEASTS IN THE CENTRAL PROVINCES.—We (*Englishman*) understand that the number of wild beasts destroyed in the Central Provinces during the last half-year is very remarkable. Nearly two thousand beasts, more or less dangerous to human life, have been killed within six months; including about 400 tigers and cubs, nearly 600 panthers and leopards and their cubs, 370 bears and cubs, and 480 wolves and hyenas and cubs. Of all the districts, those of Sumbulpore, Saugor, and Chunda have done the best. The returns from Seonee and Mundla are not so satisfactory, as it is known that the tigers in those districts are very abundant and destructive. It is said, however, that the jungle in the Upper Godavari district is too thick and uncultivated even for wild beasts. The tiger and panther prefer a country where there are more inhabitants, and, consequently, more village cattle; and where the jungle exists more in patches, or on the slopes of hills and along the banks of streams. In a country of this description the tiger obtains his food with ease, but in the denser jungles he finds his cunning baffled by the keener senses of the sambur, neelgye, and spotted deer, while to the bison and wild buffalo he is compelled to give a wide berth.

THE SURVEY OF EUSUFZAI is about to be entered upon. The Assistant Commissioner who has been detached for the purpose, applied for the protection of a police guard, but as none is available, he has been authorised to entertain a special one for the protection of the survey party.

THE CATTLE TRESPASS ACT has been a beneficial measure throughout the divisions of Meerut, Agra, Rohilkund, Allahabad and Goruckpore. In all divisions a considerable balance of receipts over expenditure has accrued, which will, in those districts where no further expenditure is needed for the purpose of the Act, be devoted to works of local improvement. The Act has been most successful in the Rohilkund division, and in the Moradabad districts. It is generally reported that the introduction of the Act has been attended with beneficial results. The trespass of cattle has diminished, and the number of affrays consequent thereon, and the people find open to them in the Magistrates' Courts a readier means of obtaining compensation for damage done to crops by trespass than was before afforded to them in the Civil Courts.

COTTON TRACK IN THE CENTRAL PROVINCES.—We have some interesting information relative to the routes available for the transport of cotton from the heart of Central India to the seaport towns of the West for the markets of Europe. Forty years ago the cotton produce from hence was double what it is now, and, up to thirty years ago, used to find its way to the Bay of Bengal towards Pooree and Masulipatam, by the river Mahanuddy, and over a road, the bridges of which alone now remain like ancient ruins in dense forests to tell of a past civilization. The road was never repaired, and so the cotton began to be exported in pretty equal proportions by Nagpore and Mirzapore down the Ganges to Calcutta, a distance of a thousand miles, and up the sloping table land to the head of the Bombay ghauts, whence it was precipitated down to the sea, a distance of about five hundred miles. The cotton from Bombay finds its way to England; while all the cotton that goes to Mirzapore, which is not consumed by Bengalees, who can grow richer crops, trickles through Calcutta to China and the Straits. The cotton is sent chiefly in carts, a load of five *bojals*, each consisting of two bales weighing three hundred pounds together, costing Rs. 45 to Mirzapore and Rs. 60 to Bombay. Starting from the great mart of Hingunghat, a cart can reach Mirzapore in about forty days, and Bombay in fifty. Only when the carts fail, and they are chiefly Madrassees engaged at Kamptee, are the wasteful pack bullocks used. The greatest cotton mart of all is Omrowttee, and between that place, Nagpore, and Hingunghat horse expresses travel after the arrival of each mail steamer at Bombay, the business being quite large enough at all times to support a line of telegraph.

HER HIGHNESS THE SECUNDER BEGUM arrived in her territories at the beginning of October. She passed through Hurdah and Hoshungabad, where she was waited on by the deputy-commissioner, Mr. Lyall, and Mr. Beddy. She had a large retinue of servants and a large *suwarree*; that which attracted most attention among the natives were some Arab girls whom she has brought from Mecca as personal attendants; the beauty of these *hourie* is said to be something marvellous.

LOCK HOSPITAL AT AGRA.—Under the orders of the Lieutenant-governor of the Punjab and its dependencies, a public meeting was held on the 18th Nov. at Agra, under the presidency of the Major General Commanding, to take into consideration the advisability of establishing a Lock Hospital at that station. Our Agra contemporary informs us that it has been decided to have one, to be situated between the military and civil stations. A strong recommendation to that effect has been sent up to Government.

THE "TALOOKDAREE SYSTEM" OF OUDH, which has been in existence for the past four years, is to be thoroughly "revolutionised." Sir John Lawrence has resolved on it, and it is said that the Indian Council are favourable to his Excellency's views.

SCARCITY IN NEEMUCH.—The distress owing to the scarcity of food in the Neemuch district is said to be so great that the poor are eating grass-seed and bran bread. Yet there is abundance in the native States in the neighbourhood. Grain is selling at 22 seers the rupee at Kotah, whilst at Neemuch it is from eight to nine. The native Governments will not allow food to pass out of their territories, because, forsooth, they see no reason why they should feed the whole country around, and impoverish their own exchequers by necessitating an increase to the costs of their establishments. They have, however, no objection to the supply of grain from their States for consumption in cantonments garrisoned by British troops; and the *bunneahs* take full advantage of the licence, by making purchases ostensibly for military use, and selling elsewhere at an enormous profit. The consequence is that in some places the transport of grain into British territory has been altogether forbidden; and our troops are suffering equally with the rest of the population.

MAHOMEDAN SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.—The *Mofussilite* says that a special general meeting of the executive council of the Scientific Society was held on the 16th August last, at Allygurh, to take measures to carry out the erection of a spacious building for the society, and to furnish a library with books, &c., also to purchase a quantity of scientific instruments. It appears that Syud Ahmed, since the establishment of the society, has been its hardest working member. The society was started by him to promote booklearning amongst the natives. A few European gentlemen have aided in the good work. At the meeting on the above date the sum of Rs. 9,030 was collected towards the building, and Rs. 3,001 was subscribed towards the sum required for a library and scientific instruments. The native gentlemen of the neighbourhood of Allygurh came forward very liberally. Three of them headed the list with a donation of one thousand rupees each. The Duke of Argyle is the President of this Society.

MONTGOMERY TOWN.—Sir Robert Montgomery has laid the foundation of a new capital for the Googaira district in the Punjab, to be called after himself. The new town is to be near Sahiwal, the halfway station of the Lahore and Mooltan Railway. A sort of ceremony was gone through on the occasion, at which the leading members of the native community warmly co-operated. The streets and public places of the projected capital are to have the names of the great Punjab officials, such, for instance, as McLeod-road, Robert's-street, Cust-lane, Becher-row, Edwards'-terrace, Chamberlain-place, Ford-square, Cooper's-alley, Thornton-grove, Barkely-gardens, &c. On the 12th of November Sir Robert Montgomery laid the foundation stone of St. Patrick's Church. It appears to be the first stone of the first building in the place.

TERRITORIAL AMALGAMATIONS.—It is currently believed in the north-west that the provinces under the jurisdiction of the Lieutenant-governor of Agra will shortly receive Oudh within their limits. Simultaneously with the measure will be the establishment of a High Court at Allahabad. If Oudh becomes thus converted into a regulation province, an entire change in the materials of which the commission is at present composed may become necessary.

IMPORTATION OF WINE AND SPIRITS.—We take the following table from F. W. Cosen's monthly circular, as showing the shipments to the port of Calcutta of wines and spirits, from 1st January to 30th September, for the years 1862, 1863, and 1864:—

Year.	GALLONS.				
	Red wine.	White wine.	Brandy.	Geneva.	Ram. British.
1862	14,080	74,453	10,203	10,875	197 26,514
1863	35,012	66,508	24,772	3,656	878 23,627
1864	34,011	76,980	21,060	6,699	1,686 13,439

OOTERPARAH.—This town is rising to importance day by day. It has a Government school which sends off annually about eleven or twelve students passed in the entrance examination, and is held first in estimation of all the Government Mofussil schools. An Anglo-Vernacular school, which was established some ten years ago, contains now about 120 boys, and the education imparted is very creditable. A female school open to Brahmin and Soodra castes only, has been recently established here at the *byuckhana* of Baboo Rajkissen Mookerjee, a rich Zemindar of this place,—by grants in aid from Government and the subscriptions of some of the rich Baboos. The *Hittokaree Sova*, consisting of the Baboos, was the prime mover of this. Of the educational staff there are three pundits and one governess. The institution is often visited by Mr. Woodrow, inspector of schools, who encourages the alumni by presenting them books, pictures, in some cases ornaments and clothes. At an examination held very lately, one of the girls of the first class, named Soorjomonee, aged about nine years, acquitted herself very creditably, and was first of all the competitors.—*Hurkaru*.

AFFRAY IN JEYPORE.—Several sepoys who busied themselves during the mutinies in looting and plundering certain of the civil stations of Upper India, when the mutiny gave them the opportunity to do so, retired, we hear, with a very large quantity of booty into the Jeypore territories, and there, after depositing their ill-got wealth with certain Bunneahs, entered into the service of the Maharajah. After two years had expired, an attack of home sickness led them to adopt the resolution of travelling back to their native land. They thereupon asked the Bunneahs to restore the valuables which had been placed in their hands, and on this being refused by all except one, the sepoys banded together, and a terrible affray ensued, in which some of the Bunneahs came to a speedy and violent end. The troops of the Maharajah now interfered, and succeeded in driving the sepoys away, who, we have been told, have since joined the marauding Bheels.

THE NEPAUL GOVERNMENT.—There is a difference of opinion, we hear, between the Government of Nepaul and that of India on one or two points. The former complains of the several aggressions which it says are made every now and then on subjects in its territories by those in ours, and to which prompt and speedy attention is not given. The Goorkha Government requests that British magistrates on the line of frontier be instructed to attend to such charges with the least practicable delay. The Government of India, on the other hand, complains of the manner in which the trade between the two countries is interfered with by members of the Nepaul Durbar, who have possessed themselves of a complete monopoly of the import trade, to the great detriment and loss of private individuals.—*Hurkaru*.

THE MYSORE FAMILY.—Under the provisions of the late rule laid down by Sir Charles Wood, several of the members of the Mysore family are selling their residences and quitting Russapuglah, in order to qualify themselves for the stipends which have been allowed to those members who will adopt that course of action. Prince Mahomed Shah Allum has sold his house for Rs. 5,000, and has gone to Dum-Dum. Prince Mahomed Qaisar has taken the same sum for his, and emigrated to Boonin in the 24-Pergunnahs. Prince Mahomed Ali Inavat has sold his residence for Rs. 4,995, and has gone to the same place, and Nawab Golam Ali has taken Rs. 15,000 for his, and has set off for Burdwan.

DARJEELING FOREST LANDS.—The Bengal Government notifies that all forest lands in Darjeeling at and above an elevation of 6,500 feet are reserved from sale under the Waste Land Rules.

COMPLIMENT TO MR. BLYTH.—At the November meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, the following resolution was proposed by the Council expressive of the society's recognition of Mr. Blyth's services:—"On the eve of transferring the zoological collections of the society to Government, to form the nucleus of an Imperial Museum of Natural History, the society wishes to record its sense of the important services rendered by its late curator, Mr. Blyth, in the formation of those collections. In the period of twenty-two years, during which Mr. Blyth was curator of the society's museum, he has formed a large and valuable series of specimens, richly illustrative of the ornithology of India and the Burmese Peninsula, and has added largely to the mammalian and other vertebrate collections of the museum; while, by his numerous descriptive papers and catalogues of the museum specimens, he has made the materials thus amassed by him subservient to zoological science at large, and especially valuable to those engaged in the study of the vertebrate faunas of India and its adjoining countries." The resolution being put to the vote, was carried unanimously.

THE EJECTED BABOO.—The case in which the joint magistrate of Dacca is said to have ejected summarily from his Court an educated Baboo, from the college, who practised law during his leisure hours, has been settled, we hope to the satisfaction of all parties concerned. The joint magistrate says in his explanation that he was not aware that the Baboo really was what he now appears to be; that he took his seat among the *amlah* and commenced chattering there in an unseemly manner, which very justly annoyed the joint magistrate as presiding officer; that had he gone amongst the Mookhtears he would have been safe; but that being taken for a stranger, where he certainly had no business to be, he had only himself to thank for what followed.

CHEMICAL EXAMINER, N.W.P.—As there is at the presidency only one chemical examiner to Government for all Bengal, N.W. Provinces, British Burmah, &c., considerable delay generally occurs in disposing of poison cases at the criminal courts in the N.W. Provinces, for the local authorities have invariably in such cases to transmit to Calcutta the contents of the stomachs of deceased persons for chemical examination. To obviate this delay the Government of India have sanctioned the appointment of a separate chemical examiner for the N.W. Provinces on a salary of Rs. 150 per mensem, as recommended by the Lieut.-Governor of those provinces.

ACQUITTAL OF MR. RUSSELL.—Some little time ago Mr. Russell, an American gentleman, the Superintendent of the Baballandy Concern, got involved in an affray with his coolies, who refused to obey some order he had given them, and two men died from the injuries they had received in the scuffle. Mr. Russell was arraigned in September last before the Sessions Judge of Dacca on two counts—First, of murder, and, second, of culpable homicide not amounting to murder. When the trial came on the jury could not agree as to their verdict, and therefore, under the provisions of the Penal Code, a new trial became necessary. This has resulted in Mr. Russell's acquittal. He was defended by Mr. Ferguson, solicitor, of Calcutta.

CENTRAL PROVINCES SECRETARIAT.—Owing to the increase of work in the Secretariat of the Central Provinces, the Government of India has sanctioned the appointment of a deputy assistant secretary on a salary of Rs. 700 per mensem temporarily for three or four years, as recommended by the Chief Commissioner of those provinces.

THE GOORKHAS are reported to be dissatisfied with the Indian Mutiny Medal, which is not of the value which they think it ought to possess.

CASH BALANCES.—The following is an analysis of the cash balances for the month of September for the past three years:—

Totals, September, 1862...	Rs. 17,26,64,583
" 1863...	" 14,50,27,732
" 1864...	" 11,28,24,496

The falling off in 1863 was Rs. 2,76,36,851, and in 1864 Rs. 3,21,93,246, or a total in the two years of Rs. 5,98,30,097. During the past year the largest reduction has taken place in the balances to the credit of the Government of India, Rs. 1,11,52,052. The next is in those of the N.W.P., Rs. 83,54,666. The smallest is in those of the Deccan, which figure at Rs. 5,12,832. The decrease in the other Governments is given below:—

Bengal	Rs. 47,80,909
Punjab	" 7,69,749
Bombay... ..	" 4,49,796
Central Provinces	" 4,56,546
Madras	" 47,28,586

VOLUNTEERING IN CENTRAL INDIA.—The other day Mr. Temple, as colonel of the Nag-pore volunteers, read out to that corps assembled on their parade ground, a letter conveying the thanks of the Government to the present commandant and his predecessor, on account of the high eulogium pronounced upon the corps by Brigadier-general Shubrick, on the occasion of the late grand review. Colonel Temple exhorted the volunteers, in stirring language, to devote themselves to drill with untiring energy, and to be prepared by their expertness in the use of the rifle to give a warm reception to all comers who may choose to try conclusions with them on the tented field.

THE LATE MR. PILLANS.—We (*Friend of India*, Nov. 17) regret to record in our obituary the name of Mr. M. A. Pillans, merchant of Calcutta. He had been ill but a few days, and he was so much esteemed that the announcement of his death caused the deepest regret. Mr. Pillans was quartermaster of the Volunteers, and he had devoted much time and energy to the fulfilment of the duties of that office. In testimony of their appreciation of these services, and of their respect for his memory, the Volunteers were present at his funeral, and the commanding officer expressed his sense in an order of the loss the corps had sustained. His personal friends will feel that loss still more, embittered as it is by its suddenness, for in all his intercourse with them, and in every action of his life, he was a sterling and true-hearted gentleman; and as such he will be remembered, both by those who remain in this land, and by those who retire from it, with recollections of many warm and sincere friendships.

SILK CULTIVATION IN THE PUNJAB.—At the last meeting of the Agricultural and Horticultural Society of India, an interesting letter was read from Mr. Henry Cope in which some details were given of silk cultivation in the Punjab. During the present year Mr. Cope has obtained a larger number of cocoons than in any previous season. He is of opinion that in ten years more, instead of hundreds of seers of silk, they will, in the Punjab, be able to turn out hundreds of maunds. He strongly advises some of the Kangra tea planters to turn their attention to mulberry planting. They would find it more profitable on such lands as are not suited, but are at present given up to the tea plant. If forty-two per cent. can be got out of silk, as Mr. Cope says it can, the planters should follow his advice.

ABOLITION OF CIVIL PAYMASTER'S OFFICE.—From the 1st of December all civil salary bills are to be presented to the "Examiner of Claims," who will grant cheques for them on the Bank of Bengal on all sums above fifty rupees. Mr. R. C. Tulloh gets the new appointment.

CAPTAIN DAUBUZ, R.A.—The charges a second time preferred against Captain Daubuz, R.A., of ill-treatment of some natives in the Dumoh district, have been abandoned, and he is now at liberty to proceed on the leave he has obtained.

DOTTINGS.—The *Rangoon Times* has some most interesting information concerning the King of Burmah's economical management of State affairs. All the abuses attending the distribution of high offices have been done away with, and now moderate salaries are paid to all officials, who previously existed on plunder and fraud. Four Ministers of State receive Rs. 24,000 a-year each, four personal body-guards of the King have Rs. 15,000 a-year each, and the keeper of the female elephant receives Rs. 8,000. The catcher of wild elephants has also Rs. 8,000, but the white elephant himself receives Rs. 10. This animal is of very great importance, ranks next after the Heir Apparent, and takes precedence of the highest functionaries; his food and drink are served to him in large silver bowls. The present King of Burmah is "a hale hearty man, in the fiftieth year of his age." His family can hardly be considered a small one, consisting, as it does, of seventy-eight children and five queens. The heir apparent to the King of Ava is not, as is commonly the case in other instances, the eldest son of the King, but is always the next brother to his Majesty. The present heir apparent is about forty-six years of age, and is stated to have a great taste for mechanics and the industrial arts. He has already got forty-five children, and enjoys the revenues of nine cities, in which he possesses supreme authority, having the power even to inflict death. These cities and other property he possesses bring him in an income of close upon two lakhs of rupees a year.

PROTECTION AGAINST FIRES.—Shipowners will be glad to learn that the Bengal Government has in hand a Bill designed to "make better provision for the prevention of injury from fire in ports." The number of fires which took place in the river this year was considerable, and the loss and mischief occasioned were proportionately great. It has been found that larger powers are required to enable the local Government to take necessary precautions against these fires, and for that purpose a Bill will be introduced. There will be a restriction placed upon the introduction into the port of inflammable oils, and the Conservator will be empowered to call for the assistance of any seamen to aid in extinguishing the fire. Tugs will be required to supply free pumps and hose.

MISSIONARY PROGRESS IN RAJPOOTANA.—Dr. Valentine, a medical missionary connected with the United Presbyterian Rajpootana Mission, has written an interesting letter to the *Bombay Guardian*, in which he gives some of his experiences. One or two short tours had been made through Ajmere and Mairwarree, and the people were found anxious to obtain medical advice and to listen to the doctor's preaching. The religious movement seems to have affected the weavers in particular, crowds of that class gathering round the preacher, and honest, thoughtful questions being asked about the Christian religion, which they declared to be much superior to their own. Dr. Valentine thinks that the work is quietly and surely advancing, and making itself felt among all classes.

ARREST OF MOULVIE AHMEDDOOLA.—The *Englishman* has heard that Moulvie Ahmedoola, the principal Wahabee of Patna, has been arrested in that place at the instance of the Punjab Government. This is the same individual whom Mr. Taylor looked after so closely during the mutinies, and who was in consequence considered by Mr. Halliday a very harshly-treated personage. He has been made much of since then, and has acted as Income-tax Assessor for the city. His arrest has fluttered his friends, and many of the Wahabees have, it is stated, been making themselves scarce in Patna.

CAPTAIN H. LEWIS, of the Hospital Ship *Bentuck*, has been appointed Master Attendant at Rangoon, *vice* Captain Brooking, on sick leave.

CONSPIRACY TO EXTORT MONEY.—Ahmed Ali was tried at Lucknow, some time back, for the murder of the wife and family of a Mr. Lightle, a clerk in the Chief Commissioner's office. The murders, it was stated, had been committed at Lucknow when the mutiny first broke out. Ahmed Ali was acquitted, and he subsequently brought an action against Mr. Lightle for defamation, laying his damages at fifteen thousand rupees. The case has just been decided in his favour, and Lightle being a man of straw, and unable to meet the results, has been committed to gaol. In the opinion of the judge, Mr. Fraser, the charge of murder was a malicious conspiracy, concocted by Lightle and his servants for the purpose of extorting money.

WISE ECONOMY.—The Maharajah of Cashmere was naturally looked upon as a great "catch" by the priests of the Sikh temple at Umritsur. But they have been sorely disappointed. On the occasion of his visit, the *Delhi Gazette* tells us, he presented them with only eleven hundred rupees. This was hardly a sufficient return for the expenditure of a thousand which they had laid out on fireworks, &c., to do his highness honour. The priests expected at least a lakh from such a potentate. The boy Maharajah of Puttiala presented them with eight thousand rupees, and the Raja of Jheend was equally liberal.

INDIGO PROSPECTS.—We (*Hurkarn*) regret to hear of the indifferent prospects of the indigo crop in the North-West this season. There has been very little rain, and the plant has suffered in consequence. Some of the planters who had invested most largely in the manufacture will hardly realise half their anticipations. The same drought has equally affected the food crops in the districts surrounding Allahabad, and prices are steadily rising to famine proportions.

EDUCATION IN OUDH.—On the recommendation of the Chief Commissioner of Oudh, a further grant of about fifty thousand rupees a year has lately been sanctioned by the Government of India to the education department in that province, in addition to the amount previously allowed. The salary of the director of public instruction has been raised from Rs. 2,000 to 2,500 a month, and that of several subordinate officers has also been increased.

MAHOMED ALI KHAN, the son of the late Nawab of Tonk, has succeeded to his father's *guddee*, but not to the pension of Rs. 12,500 per mensem which that father enjoyed. The payment of the stipend was discontinued under the following circumstances. A hoondie for Rs. 20,000 was found in the possession of a rebel named Fuzqueeroollah, which belonged to the late Nawab, and which was given to him for the purpose of adding fuel to the mutiny which was then raging in the Upper Provinces. The son has determined to refer the matter to Sir Charles Wood.

SMALL CAUSE COURTS.—Since the Act extending the jurisdiction of the Small Cause Courts has been introduced, the receipts of the Calcutta Court have been increasing every month, even beyond the most sanguine expectations of our legislators. The returns of the months of September and October last show a clear profit of nearly Rs. 20,000 per mensem to Government. In fact, the Calcutta Court of Small Causes appears to be the most paying institution of the kind in all India.

DR. LEITNER, who has been appointed Principal of the Lahore College, was lately Professor of Arabic Literature and Mahomedan Law at King's College, London. His linguistic attainments are very considerable, and he speaks Arabic, Turkish, and modern Greek with fluency. As a comparative philologist he ranks, it is stated, second only to Max Muller.

DR. CHARLES PALMER has been appointed Marine Surgeon, in the room of Dr. Macrae, resigned.

CALCUTTA APPOINTMENTS.—Mr. G. S. Fagan took charge of his office as Secretary to the Government of Bengal, in the Legislative Department, on Monday, Nov. 21, and Mr. C. Boulnois returned to his substantive appointment as First Judge of the Calcutta Court of Small Causes on the same day. The salary of the Secretary to the Bengal Council is to be reduced from Rs. 2,000 to 1,000, but the privilege to practise in the local Courts has been allowed to this officer.

BABOO SATTENDRA NAUTH TAGORE, the young Bengalee civilian, has had an ovation from his friends at the Balgachia Villa of Rajah Pertab Chunder Sing. All classes of the native community appear to have been represented. Moulvie Abdool Luteef, Manockjee Rustomjee, and the Rev. K. Mohun Banerjee, were among those present. The young Baboo is reported to have received the congratulations addressed to him with "becoming modesty."

CHARGE OF EMBEZZLEMENT.—Ramchunder Mitter, a cashier employed in the office of Messrs. Temple and Fenn, Calcutta solicitors, was charged in aiding and abetting in the embezzlement of Rs. 15,000. The investigation before the magistrate terminated yesterday, and Ramchunder was committed to the sessions.

REMOVAL OF MOOLTAN.—In consequence of the heavy inundations to which, from recent references, the city of Mooltan appears to be liable, in its present site on the River Chenab, Government intends removing it four miles higher up the railway to Lahore, in order to secure a better elevation.

THE HOUSE OF TIMOUR.—The Governor-general has granted a compassionate allowance of Rs. 25 per month to Shah Abbas, one of the sons of the late ex-King of Delhi, and Rs. 10 each to his mother and grandmother.

ARMY CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.—The separate office of Superintendent of Army Clothing is abolished, and the supervision of the Department will be henceforth carried on by one officer, to be styled "Superintendent and Agent for Army Clothing," on a staff salary of rupees one thousand per mensem.

CALCUTTA BONDED WAREHOUSE.—The report of the operations of the Calcutta Bonded Warehouse for the last half-year has just been published. A dividend of Rs. 27-8-0 per share, free of income-tax, has been declared by the directors.

LIEUT.-COLONEL THUILLIER is about to organise a plan for the survey of the Central Provinces.

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ARRIVALS.

Nov. 24. Indomitable, Carrau, Singapore.—29. str. Mooltan, —, England.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per str. Mooltan.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Sandeman, Maj. and Mrs. Ryan, Mrs. Shekelton, Lieut. J. G. Campbell, Capt. and Mrs. Birch, Mrs. G. G. Balfour, Miss Woodcock, Mrs. Elgie, Miss Denny, Mrs. Godfrey and infant, Mrs. J. M. Graham, Mrs. Goven, Mr. J. McIver, Miss Cowie, Mrs. Stafford, Mr. C. M. Rivaz, Miss Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. C. Gordon, Mr. C. R. Jennings, Mr. Hodge, Mrs. Ogilvie and infant, Lieut. and Mrs. Graham, Mr. J. M. Pears, Mr. Quick, Miss Bevanish, Mr. W. F. Merca, Mr. G. J. Nicholls, Mr. R. J. Rampini, Miss J. Thomson, Mr. and Mrs. Toulmin, Mrs. G. Horne, Col. and Mrs. MacKenzie, Mrs. Temple, Mr. G. H. Whitehead, Mr. Denham, Mr. Caird, Mr. V. Tremenheire, Mrs. Daniell, Mrs. Wemyss and two children, Alex. Lindsay, Charlotte Steele, A. Love, A. Hay. From MARSEILLES.—Maj. and Mrs. Mallon, the Rev. and Mrs. Norman, Mr. S. P. Griffiths, Mr. Thurburn, Mr. and Mrs. Hewett, Mrs. C. M. Young, Mrs. Bell, Miss Hadden, Maj. R. and Mrs. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. S. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Halkett, Mr. W. Earnes, Miss Thurburn, Miss Dunnett, Maj. J. Grant, Mr. B. W. Trafford, Mr. and Mrs. O'Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kennedy, Capt. C. R. Shaw, Mrs. Shaw and infant, Mr. A. Rogers, Miss M. Fleetwood, Capt. Probert, Mrs. Burr and two children, Mr. Fryer, Mr. R. Thomas, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Freeman, Capt. F. Cunliffe, Mr. J. D. Gordon, Mr. Riddell, the Rev. C. W. Caluise, Maj. and Mrs. Freer, Capt. Clay, S. H. Racheim, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Daquid, Mr. Connors. From SUEZ.—Mr. A. Hall, Mr. Tweddle. From MELBOURNE.—Mr. and Mrs. Burnside, Mr. and Mrs. Stone and child, Mrs. Ser and two children. From KING GEORGE'S SOUND.—Capt. Saunders. From BOMBAY.—Mr. Cummings, Mr. T. E. Custer, Mr. William Spink. From GALLE.—Mr. Wood. From MADRAS.—Capt. Claridge, Capt. Kerr, Mr. J. MacKenzie.

Per Indomitable.—Mrs. Carreu.
Per str. Erymanthe.—Mr. Neil, Mr. Somers, Mr. Kennedy,
Mr. Vennig, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. Stenhal, Mr. Lean, Mr. Hod-
kinson, Mr. Thorburn, Mr. and Mrs. Bow, Mr. Maclean, Mr.
Shank, Mr. Colvin, Mr. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Erskine, Mr.
Wilkinson, Mr. Watt, Mr. Moody, Mr. Begrum, Mr. Gardner,
Mr. Dalley, Mr. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Skinner and child, Mr.
Walker, Mrs. Dumaine, Mr. Menelas, Mr. Courela, Mr. J. W.
Rowe, Mr. Violette, Maj. Hewall, Mr. Gardlestone.

DEPARTURES.

Nov. 22. str. Oriana, Governor-General, Istamboul.—23.
str. Riever, Hippogriph, Sultana.—24. str. Nemesis, Calhops,
Undine, Pearl, Express of India.—25. Gondola, Lalla Rookh.
—27. Sydenham, str. Clan Alpine, French Empire, Futay
Salam.—28. Nagasaki, Monmouthshire.—Dec. 1. str. Ran-
goon, str. Cashmere, John Lidgett, Louisa.—2. Sir John Law-
rence.—5. str. Erymanthe, str. Commin, Sisibert Cezard,
Golden Horn, British India, Parcel Carmin.—6. Bushire Mer-
chant, Alabama, Emma, Fatty Sultan.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Erymanthe.—Madame Vangelier, Capt. Laridit,
Saget, B. Jibo, Minhandian, and Countess, Mr. J. Saunders,
Maj. Peel, Mr. and Mrs. York, Messrs. Mitchell and Craster,
Mrs. Ewing, Messrs. C. Cochran, J. Smith, Bailey, Nicolas
Theodore, Mrs. Wright and four children, Mr. Peppara B.S.
Per Shannon.—Mr. and Mrs. Kweit, Mr. and Mrs. Brice,
Miss Brensley, Mrs. Wright, Miss Bulgett, Rev. Mr. and Mrs.
Pierce, Miss Mardeu, Mr. and Mrs. Caffery, Mr. Boyse, Mr.
and Mrs. Demtry, Mrs. Lindsay, Miss Pichards, Mr. Coates,
Mr. Condon, Miss M. Boyse, Lieut. Gowan, Miss H. Boyse,
Miss Wenger, Miss Weston, Mrs. Twentymann, Miss Remtry,
Miss M. Smith, Miss J. Smith, Mrs. Green and infant, Miss
Ballenger, Lieut. Doorty, Mr. Wroughton, Miss Grindrod,
Miss M. Pichards, Mrs. Roberts, Mr. Beresford, Mr. Wool-
ridge, Mr. Young, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Luther, Mr. Burder,
Mr. Hilry, Mr. Shorburne, Mr. Murdoch, Mr. Exshaw, Mr.
Elworthy, Mr. Sankey, Mrs. Gowan, Mrs. Draly, Mrs. Pole
and two children, Mr. Cambell, Mr. Houghlock.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, Dec. 6, 1864.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price.
4 per Cent. Ss.	Sa. Rs. 89	Rs. 10 to 10 4dis
Do. Transfer Stock.	Sa. Rs. 90	...
4 per Cent. Co's Rs.	Co's Rs. 91 1/2	7 0 to 7 4 dis
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co's Rs. 100	8 8 to 8 10 pm.
5 1/2 per Cent.	Co's Rs. 100	11 8 to 11 12
6 per Cent., 56-57.	Co's Rs. 100	102 0 to 103 0

EXCHANGE.

On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight 2 0 15-16 to 2 1 1/2
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight ... 2 1 1/2
Bills with Deets.	at 6 months' sight ... 2 1 1/2 to 2 1 3/4
Bank Post Bills	at 1 months' sight ... 2 0 to 2 0 1/2

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paid-up. Rs. each.	Quoted at Rs.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	1400 to 1410
Alliance Tea Company	85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	200	525 to 530
Balasun Tea Company	100	135 to 140
Bank of Bengal	1000	1975 to 1987
Do. Interest bearing	4000	7900 to 8200
Beerbhoom Coal Company	1000	870 to 875
Do. Do.	200	Nom. to 175
Bengal Coal Company	1000	1500 to 1505
Bengal Printing Company	100	15 to 10 dis.
Bengal River Company	1000	550 to 555
Bengal Tea Company	100	245 to 250
Do. Do.	80	90 to 100 pm.
Bengal Oil Company	250	par Nominal
Bishnauth Tea Company	200	210 to 215
Do. Do.	175	25 to 30 pm.
Bonded Warehouse Association	445	690 to 700
British India Tea	80	par
Burdwan Stone Company	100	75 to 80
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	175 to 180
Do. Do. (Contributory)	115	20 to 25 dis.
Cachar Tea Company	600	740 to 745
Do. Do.	400	40 to 45 pm.
Calcutta Docking Company	700	1370 to 1375
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	540 to 545
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	52	82
Central Assam Tea Company	100	110 to 115
Central Cachar Tea Company	200	300 to 305
Chatrawhar Tea Company	25	5 to 10 dis.
Commercial Transport Association	100	par
Dchra Doon Tea Company	100	10 to 5 dis.
Delhi Bank Corporation	500	730 to 750
Dooh Teria Tea Company	100	5 to 10 dis.
Durrung Tea Company	45	8 dis. to par
E. B. Indigo Company	100	75 to 80
East India Coal Company	100	35 to 40
East India Railway Company	218	218 to 219
East India Tea Company	100	135 to 135
Do. Do.	80	15 to 20 pm.
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	120 to 125
Do. Do.	75	15 to 20 pm.
Eastern Bengal Railway Company	218	219 to 220
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000	1400 to 1410
Eastman and Company	250	220 to 225
Equitable Coal Company	250	220 Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	500	Nominal
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	245 to 250
Gola Ghaut Tea Company	250	315 to 320
Goosery Cotton Mills	60	5 to 15 dis.
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	300
Hoochly Steam Tug Company	1000	1000 to 1050
Hoochly Lighter Association	80	10 to 15 dis.
Hope Town Tea Association	100	135 to 140
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	105 to 110
Howrah Docking Company	500	40 dis.
Hunter and Company	250	200 to 220
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	540 to 545
Jorehaut Tea Company	200	715 to 750
Kunchunpore Tea Company	1000	1350 to 1350

Kurseong and Darjeeling Tea Co.	250	par
Landing Shipping	100	30 to 25 dis.
Leibong and Minchou Tea Company	65	par to 5 pm.
Lower Assam Tea Company	85	par
Luckimpore Tea Company	155	50 to 55 pm.
Monacherra Tea Company	60	par to 5 pm.
Muttuck Tea Company	50	par
Mutual Tea Company	100	115 to 110
Do. Do.	60	70 to 75
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	5 pm. Nom.
New Fort Gloster Company	600	1400 to 1450
Peoples Bank of India	100	75 to 80
Punjab Bank	100	100 to 110
Punjab Trading	75	10 pm.
Punkabarre Tea Company	100	100 dull
Do. Do.	37	par Nominal
Ramghur Tea Company	100	par
Do. Do.	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	142
R. Scott Thomson and Company	500	505 to 510
Screwing Company (Limited)	200	15 to 20 dis.
Sea Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.
Seabaugor Tea Company	100	5 to 10 dis.
Sinla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Sinla Tea Company	75	100
Sourisore Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1520
Do. Do.	750	450 to 480 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100	15 to 20 dis.
Spence's Hotel Company	250	20 to 35 dis.
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	240	165 to 170
Tirhoor Indigo	260	210 to 212
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	200 to 205
Do. Do.	60	par Nominal
Union Steam Tug Company	250	220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	100	180
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to 240
Do. Do.	150	par to 5 dis.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
Saltetre	£1 5 0 to 0 0 0	Nominal.
Sugar	Nominal.	Nominal.
Rice	Nominal.	Nominal.
Seeds	3 12 6 to 3 15 0	3 10 0 0 0 0
Jute	3 15 0 to 3 17 0	3 10 0 0 0 0
Cotton	3 17 6 4 0 0	3 17 6 4 0 0

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE CYCLONE AT MASULIPATAM.—Colonel Nott, the commanding officer of the 19th N.I., has reported from Masulipatam to the Adjutant-General of the Army that the lines of the 19th Regiment N.I. are completely washed down, and many lives are lost; the actual number he is unable to state, as the bodies are still being dug out from the ruins, and men are searching for missing relatives. The men have lost nearly all their property, with the Government clothing of 1864-65 and 1865-66; the letter received about the 25th, and issued after muster on the morning of the 1st. He has ordered a Court of Enquiry to assemble immediately to record the deaths and other casualties amongst men and followers. The Adjutant's house and office were so flooded that Colonel Nott was unable to find records to give a correct number to his letter. The officiating collector of the Godavery district, in a letter to Government, dated Coconada, 12th November, reports that he received on that date an urgent demi-official letter from the collector of the Kistna district, giving some particulars of the fearful cyclone which passed over Masulipatam on the night of the 1st November, and stating among other things that every boat belonging to the port had disappeared. "The inhabitants now suffer great straits from want of rice; and, of course, without boats to land cargo, sending rice there by sea is useless. The inland navigation from here to Masulipatam via Ellore and Bezwarah is for the present stopped by breaches that have been caused in the high level channel." Mr. Thornhill requested him to make arrangements to send some cargo boats down with the steamer expected from Calcutta in a few days, so that communication with the shipping in the roads might be re-opened.

SECUNDERABAD, Dec. 7.—This station has been thrown into a state of excitement by the following melancholy event, which took place yesterday. It appears that a Mr. Gilbert, a resident at Secunderabad, left home yesterday morning for the purpose of seeing the races at Moul Ali. On arriving at the race-course he allowed his horse to graze in an adjacent field; after the races were over he discovered that his horse had strayed from

where he left it, and immediately went in search; while doing so he wandered into a jungle near Moul Ali rock, when, to his utmost surprise, he was suddenly seized by a tiger, who caught him by the side, and inflicted a deep wound with his teeth. The occurrence was witnessed by several men, who rushed instantly to his assistance, and thereby saved his life, but not in time to prevent him from sustaining serious injury. He was conveyed at once to the Garrison Hospital, where he still lies in a very precarious state. Faint hopes are entertained of his recovery. Several officers have gone out in search of the animal, and doubtless they will succeed in its capture or destruction. Last year a native was carried away and torn in pieces by one of these monsters, which I believe has not yet been captured. During the years 1861-2 no less than three cheetahs were shot near the same place, and subsequently a trap was set, but no more were captured.—H.E. Sir Hope Grant, G.C.B., and suite arrived here this morning on a tour of inspection. The usual salute was fired from the Park Battery. His Excellency is expected to remain about a month in Secunderabad, and then proceeds en route to Burmah to complete his tour.—Times of India.

HOSPITAL IN SOUTH WYNAAD.—The planners in the South Wynaad have sent up a Memorial to Government, praying for assistance towards establishing and working a hospital in that district. The memorialists appear to contemplate undertaking the appointment and remuneration of a medical officer themselves, providing part of the cost of a suitable building, providing also for its up-keep; the necessary menial establishment, and food and necessaries for in-patients, but they desire that Government should give a grant of Rs. 2,000 towards the building, the services of a dresser to act under their medical officer, and supplies of medicines. We are glad to learn that Sir William Denison will be prepared to sanction a grant of a moiety of the cost of the hospital, which it is proposed to erect at Vitary, provided that the plan and estimate and site of the building shall be approved by Government. The Government will also place the services of an assistant apothecary at the disposal of the subscribers to the hospital, and will make a grant of Rs. 50 in aid of his salary, the continuance of which shall be subject to the condition that the hospital shall be open to such inspection as the Government may prescribe, and that its management shall be satisfactory.

COORG.—Mr. Bowring has laid before the Government a report upon the affairs of Coorg during the past year. Small as the state is, its prosperity increases very rapidly, and the people are cultivating their land with much more energy than of old. They are beginning to cultivate coffee also, and in some places an attempt has been made to introduce the tea plant, though not hitherto with successful results. Chinchonas from the Nilgiris—that being the way of spelling the word which Mr. Bowring prefers—have been tried, and they thrive "uncommonly well." Some better means of communication with the coast are greatly needed, and it is in such a country as Coorg that Sir William Denison's "animal power" propositions might probably be useful. Coorg is too small to afford a railroad, but is big enough to want a tramway. Perhaps Mr. Bowring will be able to get one for his little charge before very long.

TRANSPORTATION TO PORT BLAIR.—The Government of India has sanctioned the proposal of the Madras Government to resume the transportation of convicts from Madras to Port Blair, subject to the restriction that sentences of transportation should, for the present, be carried into effect only in those cases in which the sentence is for fourteen years and upwards. 3

TEA CULTURE.—Mr. McIvor, the Superintendent of the Government Chinchona plantations at Ootacamund, recently read a paper at a meeting of the Madras Agri-Horticultural Society, in which some of his experiences as a tea planter on the Neilgherries were given. The tap root of the plant can, he says, generally be cut off with advantage, for it is only necessary to preserve it when tea is planted in localities subject to long continued drought. It is then highly useful, as it penetrates deep into the soil, and draws moisture from a depth unaffected by the drought. Any attempt to stimulate the growth of tea seed is disadvantageous. Mr. McIvor found that the seeds germinated most freely in a temperature from 65 to 70 deg. F., and with more certainty when placed close together, and watered sparingly. The application of steam to the seeds he believes to be highly injurious, and cracking the shells to facilitate germination has been followed by no beneficial results. The only advantageous practice in growing tea seed is to sow them close together, with a temperature not higher than 70 deg. nor lower than 65 deg., and to supply them with a moderate quantity of moisture. They should not be sown deep, and the soil should be composed principally of sand and loam.

NATIVE APPRECIATION OF RAILWAYS.—The subjoined address has been presented to the local manager of the Madras Railway by some of the leading native gentlemen of that Presidency town:—

"Madras, Oct. 24, 1864.

"Sir,—We, the undersigned Hindoo and Mahomedan inhabitants of Madras, desire to avail ourselves of the occasion which the recent opening of the branch line of railway to Bangalore affords us of offering you our congratulations on the success of the undertaking.

"We beg here to express our appreciation of the benefits which are likely to accrue from such a project as that in question—benefits which affect not alone the commercial and trading communities, but which extend themselves to the public in general.

"We are here reminded that Sir Charles Trevelyan, in his answer to the Madras deputation which awaited him on his last arrival, expressed himself most promisingly on the subject of railway progress in Southern India, and classified railway companies among the chief agents for opening up the resources of the country. His remarks have been most amply verified by the unvaried success which the Madras Railway Company has experienced.

"But there is a special advantage, we are convinced, in the opening of the branch line to Bangalore, which is, that it brings us almost within immediate communication with the rich and fertile territory of Mysore. From a sense of the peculiar advantages thereby obtained, and of your personal endeavours as agent of the company to consult the interests of the community by all possible means, we beg to request your acceptance of this address, with the assurance that it is the expression of our unanimous sentiments.

"In conclusion, we desire to tender you our heartfelt wishes for the future prosperity of the Madras Railway, and for your own happiness and welfare.—We are, &c.,

"The Hon. SHURFOOL OOMRAH, Bahadur, Member of the Legislative Council, and 148 of the other principal Mahomedan and Hindoo inhabitants of Madras.

"To R. B. Elwin, Esq., Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company."

IMPRESSMENT OF LABOUR.—A very important law is about to be introduced into the Madras Presidency. It is proposed to empower Government, in any district, to impose upon the ryots the duty of keeping in repair village tanks and roads, that is, to compel them to devote a portion of their labour, defining what portion, to the service of the public. This is said to be already done in Ceylon, and, under exceptional circumstances, has long had legal sanction in India. By a law passed in 1858, village labour may be impressed for employment on embankments threatened with instant destruction, and punishment may be inflicted on refractory ryots. In Madras, the peasantry have dealings direct with Government.

IMPROVEMENTS.—Government has sanctioned the expenditure of Rs. 3,000 for improving and ornamenting the bridges on the South Beach-road, in much the same manner as the General Hospital-bridge; that is, the roadway will be widened, a paved footpath laid down, and the masonry parapet removed for iron railings.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Nov. 25. P. and O. str. Mooltan, Dunn, Suez.—26. str. Penang, Blackmore, Calcutta (returned from sea, 25).—27. str. Nemesis, Castle, Calcutta (returned from sea, 25).—29. Merchantman, Gardner, Champion Bay.—30. Ivanhoe, Chestney, New Zealand; Northumbrian, Peggie, London.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Merchantman.—Dr. and Mrs. Smith, R. N. W. Brown, Esq.

Per P. and O. str. Mooltan.—Miss Dennison, Mrs. Stanley, Maj. and Mrs. Shakespeare, Mr. W. A. Happell, Mr. L. F. Clogston, Maj. and Mrs. Peyton and child, Miss Mackenzie, R. B. Ward and wife, G. A. Kurst, Capt. and Mrs. Haggard, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Overbury, Mr. Gibson, Maj. and Mrs. Deane, J. Atkinson, Mrs. Kempt and two children, Mrs. Meahar and two children, Mr. Moir, Asst. surg. Cooper.

Per str. Penang.—Mr. J. D. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Tagore, Mr. Home, M. Jurred, M. Monsee, Maj. Hornidge, Miss Armstrong, Lieut. Brockman and Livesay, Mr. Attmann and child, Mr. and Mrs. Berry, Mr. Masen, Serg. Healy and son.

Per P. and O. str. Nemesis.—For MADRAS.—Lieut. col. Chambers, Mr. Irvine, Lieut. Dalrymple, Ens. A. V. Chick, Lieut. H. L. Berkeley, Lieut. H. L. Thornton, Miss J. Cullen, Mr. Davidson, Rev. Mr. Dall, Mr. Goodeir and wife. For GALLE.—Mr. E. M. Walker.

DEPARTURES.

Nov. 25. Antelope, Nicolson, Colombo; str. Mooltan, Dunn, Calcutta; Gaspard, Despartmet, Marseilles.—29. str. Nemesis, Castle, Suez.—Dec. 1. str. Penang, —, Bombay.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. S. N. Co.'s str. Nemesis.—For SOUTHAMPTON.—Capt. G. C. Therry, Lieut. Reid. For MARSKEILLES.—Lieut. col. Henery, Lieut. Wright. For SINGAPORE.—Capt. Sinclair.

Per str. Tilly.—Mr. Newman, Mr. Walker.
Per P. and O. S. N. Co.'s str. Mooltan.—Capt. Kerr, Mr. Mackenzie, Capt. Claridge.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE BUNDER AT MAZAGON, next to the Frere Land and Reclamation Company, has been purchased by J. A. Sassoon, Esq., for the sum of £80,000.

MR. PREMCHUND ROYCHUND has contributed the sum of £50,000 to the fund which has recently been raised by the Bania community with the noble object of assisting the helpless orphans and widows of their caste.

LAW COURTS.—It has been determined to open a third Court in the High Court House. The Chief Justice will sit in the large Court, Sir Joseph Arnould in his Chamber, and Mr. Justice Westropp in the small Court. After the Criminal Sessions a permanent third Court will be opened, probably in the Grand Jury room.

TWO ADDITIONAL MAGISTRATES are to be appointed for Bombay on salaries of Rs. 1,000 each, and an establishment amounting to about Rs. 800 additional. This addition has not been made any too soon, as there is plenty of work awaiting them.

DEATH OF THE EX-AMEER OF SCINDE.—We regret to announce the death of one of the ex-Amers of Scinde, Meer Nusseer Khan, which melancholy event took place on the 5th of December, at his residence in one of the buildings belonging to Khan Bahadur Puddumjee Pestonjee, Esq., in Bhowanee Peit. His remains were interred, as a temporary measure, in the Garpeer burial ground, opposite the Civil Hospital, but we hear that they will be removed from thence to his native land. This State prisoner has been labouring under indisposition for these last two months, and was, as we understand, granted permission by Government to proceed to his own country to join his family, but unfortunately he has expired in the Deccan before he could be removed. This is the second ex-Ameer of Scinde who has died in Poonah. He was above eighty years of age.—*Poonah Observer.*

GOOD WORK IN BOMBAY.—We are informed by the *Bombay Gazette* that the committee of management of the House of Correction recommended last month, in a letter addressed to Government, that the sum of Rs. 200 might be placed at their disposal for presentation to Mrs. Lindsay, who is engaged by the Bombay Bible Women's Society in affording religious instruction to the European and Eurasian neglected poor in that city. Mrs. Lindsay has been most assiduous in her attentions to the Christian inmates of the Penitentiary, and from which they have derived much benefit. The sanction of Government was solicited, so that the committee might be able to mark their appreciation of the zeal of this very worthy woman in her solicitude for the spiritual welfare of the poor people to whom she ministered. Government sanctioned the amount being paid from the profits of prison labour in the House of Correction.

THE LATE MR. SASSOON.—The *Bombay Gazette* has a sketch of the career of the late David Sassoon, the Jew millionaire, whose death at Poona we mentioned a short time ago. He was born at Bagdad in 1792, at which place his father was treasurer to the Turkish Governor. When thirty years old, young Sassoon removed to Bussorah and afterwards to Bushire, and in 1832 he first visited Bombay. There he determined to settle, and there in the course of twenty years he accumulated a vast fortune. The *Gazette* states that his benefactions from time to time have amounted to £150,000 sterling. His eldest son, Mr. Albert D. Sassoon, has been living for some years at Ashley-park, in England, an estate purchased for him by his father at Walton-on-Thames.

PARSEE MUNIFICENCE.—One is almost tired of constantly noticing the munificence of the Bombay Parsees, but another instance is deserving attention. The famine in Guzerat has already called a grain association into existence at Surat, the object of which is to keep down prices, and thus defeat the vampire dealers who find their harvest in the miseries of the people. The Hon. Rustumjee Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy heard of the association, and immediately made a donation to its funds of a quarter of a lakh of rupees. . . . The Government of Bengal, in a letter to the Bombay Government, has offered its grateful acknowledgments to Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, and those who have joined him, for the "characteristic and spontaneous liberality" with which they have contributed towards the sufferers by the late cyclone.

A STRANGE STORY.—The tale of Sindbad is a tame and every day affair compared with the history of James Hunt. What will our readers say when we tell them that after all that has passed Mr. Hunt has turned up again, alive, well, and highly indignant at the aspersions cast upon his name, and the wreck that has been made of his property! It appears the unfortunate man has been shipwrecked on a desert island somewhere. Thence, after enduring great privations, for some months, he escaped and was conveyed to England, where, for the first time, he learnt what had been going on in this Presidency meanwhile—the declaration of his bankruptcy and sale of his effects. He immediately commenced legal proceedings against the Government of Bombay for the recovery of his property, and is on his way out to this country to vindicate his good name.—Such is the tale which has reached our ears, and for the sake of his friends and creditors we sincerely hope that, however extraordinary, it may turn out true.—*Poonah Observer.*

POST-OFFICE AT KURRACHEE.—The Director General of Post-offices has approved of the outlay of Rs. 45,500 for the erection of the new Post-office near the railway station at Kurrachee, and the Post-master General has addressed the Commissioner in Sind with a view to obtain the requisite sanction for the expenditure, through the Bombay Government.

ANOTHER DISTURBANCE AT ELEPHANTA.—On the 3rd November a number of the "Celestials," inhabiting the island of Elephanta, collected together in a mob, evidently with the intention of kicking up a tremendous row, and arming themselves with clubs and stones, marched off towards the guard-house occupied by the Tanna Rangers; on approaching which the greater portion of the ruffians fell back, but a few who were more daring than the rest advanced stealthily to the sentinel on his post, and stoned him; whereupon his piece was at once levelled and discharged into their midst, which immediately brought out his comrades, who, seeing the serious state of affairs, immediately fired at the Chinese, and after a few shots finally dispersed them, wounding four, and capturing a few others, who are now doubtless in confinement.

SALE OF GOVERNMENT STEAMERS.—Her Majesty's steamship *Clyde* was offered for sale by public auction on the 15th Nov., at the Dockyard, under the superintendence of the marine storekeeper. The only bid received was that of Mr. Hajee Hasan Joosuff of Rs. 35,500 on account of the British Indian Steam Navigation Company; but, there being a reserved bid from Government of Rs. 40,000, the steamer was bought in. The Government steamer *Zenobia* was sold by public auction on the same day, at the Government Dockyard. The sale commenced with a bid of Rs. 50,000 by Messrs. Fulcher, Cooper and Co., between whom and the Hon. Rustomjee Jamssetjee Jejeebhoy the price was pushed up to Rs. 1,36,000, this sum being on account of Messrs. Fulcher, Cooper and Co. An advance by Rs. 1,000 was made thereupon on account of the Hon. Mr. Rustomjee, to whom the steamer was knocked down for Rs. 137,000.

SPECULATION IN BOMBAY.—The sale of the Frere Land and Reclamation Company's property for the sum of Rs. 1,04,00,000 (one crore and four lacs), might be noticed as the largest single transaction that has occurred in Bombay for some years past. The land on which the company's operations are to be conducted was, we learn, purchased in the first instance from Mr. Premchund Roychund, and Messrs. W. Nicol and Co., for the aggregate sum of Rs. 56,00,000, by and on account of Messrs. Cursetjee Nusserwanjee Cama, Kesowjee Naik, Alladinbhoy Hubibhoy, Pestonjee Cursetjee Shroff, Muncherjee Nowrojee Banajee, Kassumbhoy Dhurmesey, and on behalf of the Eastern Financial Association by its directors. The whole concern has now been sold for one crore and four lacs, to a new company, composed of Messrs. L. H. Bayley, R. Ahlers, Ardasir Cursetjee Dady, Kursondass Mahadewdas, B. H. Cama, Cullindass Mohundass, Merwanjee Nusserwanjee Bhownuggree, and Ardasir Eduljee Chenoy, who have adopted the former name, the "Frere Land and Reclamation Company (Limited)." By one of the conditions of the second sale the Eastern and Asiatic Financial Associations are entitled to receive each from 100 to 150 shares of the Reclamation Company. It has been estimated that by this transaction, judging from the present high value of the Reclamation Company's shares, the Financial Associations in question have been the gainers by several lacs of rupees each.

TROOP SHIPS.—The ships *Star of India*, *Donald Mackay*, *Windsor Castle*, and *Cospatrick*, we understand, have been taken up by Government for the conveyance of troops to Europe. The *Gosforth*, *Bates Family*, *Flying Venus* and *Oriental* were recommended, and the *Agamemnon* was rejected on account of the high rates of tender. The two first named vessels, we believe, have been selected to take home the cavalry regiment (17th lancers) and the others time-expired men and invalids.

H.M.'s STEAM-SHIP "PLEIAD" has been sold at an auction sale at the dockyard, to the highest bidder, Mr. Manockjee Ardasir, for Rs. 14,000.

THE LATE MAHARANEE CHUNDA KOUR.—Our readers doubtless recollect the arrival at Bombay of the dead body of the late Maharanee Chunda, the mother of Dhuleep Singh, and the refusal on religious grounds of the Sadhee priests to consume it to ashes. They, however, observed that if a certain sum of money, a very large one we understand, were allowed them, they would proceed to burn it. A reference was thereupon made to Maharajah Dhuleep Singh, whose reply has just been received, to the effect that, as his mother is dead, her body is simply nothing, and that to spend so large a sum of money for the purpose of burning nothing would be a piece of folly, which he was not prepared to perpetrate. —*Hurkaru.*

COMMERCE OF BOMBAY.—The report on the external commerce of Bombay for the year 1863-64 shows an increase of Rs. 18,45,04,192 over the value of the trade of the previous year, and of Rs. 35,57,80,009 over the average value of the five preceding years. The trade of Bombay has more than doubled itself since the commencement of the American war, and the import trade has increased at the rate of more than seven millions sterling a-year during the last two years. This remarkable rate of progress is, of course, caused by the enormously enhanced price of cotton.

PENSIONERS' SCHOOL AT POONA.—An excellent movement has been set on foot at Poona for the establishment of a school for the children of poor European pensioners. It starts entirely on private support, the Government keeping aloof from the project, which promises so little *éclat*, and looks so utterly incongruous an item for a paragraph in an administration report.

MANAGERIAL LIBERALITY.—The Back Bay Reclamation Company have placed about twenty shares, at original cost, at the disposal of Mr. J. B. Lane, the managing agent of the Bombay and Baroda Railway Company, to be distributed among the engineers and officials serving under him. According to the latest quotations of these shares, this would be equivalent to a present of Rs. 4,65,000 to the lucky officers of the company.

A LIBEL CASE.—A plaint was filed on the 2nd December in the High Court by Messrs. Kelly, Hore, and Manisty, on behalf of Mr. Fellows, the municipal collector, against the Rev. Francis Gell, as editor of the *Times of India*, for the publication of certain libellous matter printed in that journal on several recent occasions.

WORTHY OF IMITATION.—The directors of the Bank of Bombay have increased the salaries of the clerks and other subordinates in their establishment by an advance of 30 per cent. all round. The necessity, which is being recognised by every house of business in India, is yet impalpable to the British Government.

ASSISTANT-SURGEON JOHN MACKENZIE is appointed assistant-surgeon to the Jamssetjee Jejeebhoy Hospital, and professor of surgery to the Grant Medical College, in the room of Dr. Ballingal, who goes home on leave.

MR. F. R. S. WYLLIE, of the Bombay Civil Service, has obtained the appointment of Assistant-Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces.

MR. WILLIAM COLE BAYLY has resigned his appointment of surveyor of the municipality.

MAJOR THOMAS CANDY has been appointed Sheriff of Bombay for the ensuing year.

THE BANK OF BOMBAY, on the 9th Dec., raised its rate of interest one per cent. all round.

N. W. OLIVER, Esq., has been confirmed in the appointment of chief magistrate.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Nov. 28. Sarawak, Milet, Singapore; str. Sydney, Beys, Calcutta.—29. str. Rangoon, Coleman, Suez.—30. str. Arabia, Patterson, Calcutta; Ophir, Miles, Singapore; Cavour, Yaxley,

Aden; str. John Bright, Bentham, Hong Kong.—Dec. 1. Zenobia, Hayes, Calcutta; Goldinder, McWhirre, Calcutta; Merwanjee Framjee, Pike, Liverpool.—2. Salem, Robertson, Moulmein.—3. Tempest, Carolan, Calcutta.—4. Timoor Shaw, Dodds, Calcutta.—5. str. Emeu, Eastley, Hong Kong; Nurseer Musjeid, Matthews, Calcutta.—6. Hamilton, Bragdon, Moulmein; Wurttemberg, Willis, Rangoon.—7. Ajmere, Smith, Otago; Elizabeth Anne, Lewis, Wallaroo; John Stuart, Lemon, China; Blue Jacket, Lushy, Bangkok.—9. Dholerah, Starkie, Calcutta; Lady Canning, Hodges, Calcutta; Lady Havlock, O'Neill, Liverpool; Inkerman, Grant, Calcutta; Daphne, Foreman, Calcutta.—10. Pestonjee Bomanjee, Milne, Rangoon.—12. Margaret Jane, Bosatom, Singapore; Eloisa, Philpot, Hong Kong; Elizabeth, Owen, Rangoon; str. Malta, Gribble, Suez; Jean Lewis, Winter, Calcutta; str. Penang, Blackmere, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per P. and O. str. Emeu.—Mr. R. Mackenzie, Mr. J. R. Scholfield, Mr. A. Selvector, Mr. Mackintosh, Mr. Stone, Mr. A. Miller, Mr. Bailly.

Per Eloisa.—Mr. C. Beard.

Per P. and O. str. Rangoon.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. Cordoux, Dr. and Miss Sanderson, Mr. and Mrs. Penny, Rev. J. Dawson, Mr. Diggle, Mr. and Mrs. Busted and infant, Mrs. D'Oyley and infant, Mr. Baker, Mr. Ludderdale, Mrs. Rutton, Mr. Campbell, Lieut. Easton, Mrs. and Miss Halliday, Mr. Burton, Miss Kennedy, Miss Tod, Hon. H. Marshall, Mrs. and Miss Ross, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Steward, Lieut. Williams, Mr. Nugent, Lieut. Boileau, Mr. Stopford, Mrs. Robertson, Mr. Heyn, Mr. Crompton, Mr. Drummond, Rev. R. Warner, Maj. Palmer, Mrs. Ludball and two children, Mrs. Chilcott and two infants, Mr. and Mrs. Stansfield, Messrs. Yates, Ellis, Mortimer, Ogden, Watt, Steele, Collins, Greenwood, Roberts, and Ord, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford and two children, Messrs. Fenwick, Dunlop, and M. Fenwick, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Clark. From MARSEILLES.—Mr. Cullum, Lieut. col. and Mrs. Barrow, Col. and Mrs. Wynham, Mr. Foggo, Mr. Riddell, Mr. and Mrs. Best, Miss McClelland, Mrs. Robertson, Capt. and Mrs. Marsh, Lieut. col. and Mrs. D'Oyley Compton, Mr. Arbutnot, Col. and Mrs. Stavelly, Mr. and Mrs. Jaffer Sulliman, Mr. and Mrs. Natman and child, Messrs. Hodgart, Daniels, Raymond, West, Fry, Halford, Stead, Fraser, Anderson, Smith, Gillon, Brady, Watson, Klenknecht, Tyabjee, Mozley, Hess, and Symon, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Bates, Miss Carew, Miss Weederhold, Messrs. Glover, Henry, and Humphrey, Capt. Methven, Capt. Reynoldson, Messrs. Bluet, Tait, and Goldsmith, Dr. Jefferson, Mr. Bently, Miss Saimon, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Read. From SUEZ.—Mr. Rainford, Mr. Best. From ADEN.—Mr. Chrystie, Capt. White.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Malta.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Langton and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Ormiston and two children, Mr. Mrs., and Miss Nowell and child, Mr. Winder, Mr. Grant, Surg. maj. and Mrs. Bacot, Miss Bell, Mr. Browne, Mrs. Binks and three children, Mrs. Ker, Messrs. Stoddart, Wetherall, Sheffield, Stephens, Dalziel, Everett, Drysdale, Ward, and Sigg, Dr. Smith, Lieut. and Mrs. Moore, Miss Stock, Messrs. Fisher, McKay, Harrison, Dow, Ingle, Badley, Mrs. Dalziel, Mrs. Mayne, Mr. Taylor, Maj. and Mrs. Robinson, Mr. J. Thomas, Miss Hamilton, Mrs. Corrie and three children, Messrs. Hudson, Brennard, Holmes, Woodbridge, Sheehy, Mr. and Mrs. Curley, Mr. and Mrs. Hind, Messrs. Swab, Holder, Stevenson, Wells, Turnard, Williams, Rose, Galpine, Coslett, Smith, Holdsworth, Armistead. From MARSEILLES.—Lieut. Doveton, Col. Steel, Lieut. Ward, the Rev. Leigh Lye, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Blunt, Miss Hare, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Foggo, Mr. Steel, Mr. and Mrs. Ludlaw, Mr. Lund, Capt. Speer, Mr. Skiliter, Col. de Lisle, Sir D. Wedderburn, Mr. Passmore, Mr. and Mrs. Repton, Messrs. Davidson, Stewart, Finlay, Smerdon, McClure, Jackson, Jones, Calmau. From GIBRALTAR.—Governor F. Pestana and lady, Capt. and Mrs. Scarmicha and infant, Maj. and Mrs. Mendonca and two children, Capt. and Mrs. De Mello and two children. From MALTA.—Mr. Cassels, Capt. Twyford. From SUEZ.—The Hon M. H. Scott, Mr. Smith, Maj. and Mrs. Arthur, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. McIver, Miss Victoria Rosenfeldt.

DEPARTURES.

Nov. 28. Melmerby, Marley, Liverpool; Calcutta Merchant, Harrison, Calcutta.—29. Str. Caruatic, Angrove, China, &c.; str. Jedio, Dundas, Aden and Suez; Charger, Shaw, Liverpool.—30. Lancasterian, Donaldson, Liverpool; Houghton, Buckminster, Calcutta.—Dec. 1. Shah Jehan, Kains, Calcutta.—3. Alicia, Andrew, Carwar; Good Success, McQueen, Zanzibar; Americana, Potts, Rangoon; str. Arabia, Patterson, Calcutta.—6. Hydree, Crichton, Calcutta; Forest Queen, Roy, Liverpool.—7. Str. Sultan, Steward, Aden.—9. Jewess, Stevens, Rangoon.—10. Arabstan, Dawson, Calcutta.—12. Magdalen, Munkinwick, Moulmein.—14. Mail str. Benares, Collett, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Benares.—For SUEZ.—Major and Mrs. E. Arthur and two children. For MARSEILLES.—Dr. and Mrs. Hyslop, Dr. Ballingal, Messrs. J. R. Davidson, Johnson, and Edwards, Capt. Penny, Major Fitzgerald, Mr. J. R. Scholfield, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bayley, Mr. C. F. W. Brown. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Forbes, Dr. Stubbs, Col. and Mrs. Dickinson.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, Dec. 13, 1864.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks.—at 6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s. 1 3-16d. to 2s. 1 1-2d. 6 ditto ditto 2s. 1 5-16d. Cred. Bills. 6 ditto ditto 2s. 1 3-16d. Docts. On Calcutta, at sight, per 100 100 1/2 Ditto at 30 days' ditto 100 Ditto at 60 days' ditto 99 1/2 On Madras, at 30 days' ditto 100 1/2 On China, at 60 days' ditto Rs. 224 per 100 dohs.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES.

Agra Bank (Rs. 500) 180 pr. cent. pm. Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000) 253 do. Bank of India (Rs. 25) 53 pm.

Broker's Banking Co. (Rs. 20).....	22 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 250).....	61 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200).....	120 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500).....	125 do.
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200).....	100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 200).....	83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 200).....	210 do. inc. n. sh.
Oriental Bank Corporation (Rs. 250).....	170 do.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25).....	50 x.d. do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000).....	127 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000).....	Rs. 23,000 p. sh.
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 2,700).....	Rs. 6,000 p. sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667).....	Rs. 11,750 p. sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co. :—	
(A) share (Rs. 6,000).....	Rs. 69,000 pm.
(B) share (Rs. 6,000).....	
Freer Press Co. (Rs. 250).....	Rs. 27,500 pm.
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000).....	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,200).....	
Great Indian Peninsular Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 218-3-0).....	10 prem.
Ditto, New £20 Shares (Rs. 87-4-4).....	Rs. 5 prem.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Co. (Rs. 1,000).....	par.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000).....	Rs. 300 prem.
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company (Rs. 1,000).....	Rs. 150 prem.
Manockjee Pitty's Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 500).....	Rs. 75 prem.
Oriental Weaving and Spinning Company (Rs. 2,500).....	Rs. 400 prem.
Royal Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 1,500).....	Rs. 350 prem.
Victoria Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000).....	Rs. 2,500 prem.
Coorla Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000).....	Rs. 700 prem.
Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 2,500).....	Rs. 400 prem.
Colaba Land Co. (Rs. 10,000).....	Rs. 60,000 pr. sh.
Bonded Warehouse Co. (Rs. 400).....	Rs. par
House and Land Investment Co. (Rs. 200).....	Rs. par
Bombay Shipping Co. (Rs. 1,500).....	Rs. 4,000
Iron Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000).....	Rs. par
Oriental Ship Owning Association (Rs. 250).....	Rs. 100 pm.
Prince of Wales Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000).....	Rs. par

FREIGHTS.

To London—Cotton, £2. 10. to £3.; Seeds, £1. 15s. to £1. 17s. 6d.
To Liverpool—Cotton, £3. to £3. 10s.; Seeds, £1. 2s. 6d. to £1. 5s.

DESPATCH OF THE BOMBAY MAILED.—SOUTHAMPTON, Dec. 26.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steam ship *Ellora*, Captain Brooks, sailed hence this afternoon, with the mails for Gibraltar, the Mediterranean, Egypt, Aden, Bombay, and Upper Bengal. She took out thirty-seven passengers, and on freight 585 boxes specie, value £183,063. 10s., of which amount £17,372. 10s. in sovereigns is for Alexandria, and the remainder for Bombay, consisting of bar silver, £143,000; silver coin, £12,400; bar gold, £5,000; gold coin, £4,650; and gold thread, watches, &c., £641. The *Ellora* also took out a full cargo of general merchandise.

THE MAILED, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, Jan. 4.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's screw steamship *Delhi*, Captain J. R. Kellock, sailed to-day for Gibraltar, Malta, and Alexandria, with the Calcutta and China mails, and a full cargo, including 123 boxes of specie, jewellery, &c., value £41,951. 2s. 6d., consigned as under:—For Alexandria, sovereigns, £7,600; watches, £62; for Madras, bar silver, £29,000; gold coin, £602; gold thread, &c., £1,834. 10s. 6d.; for Calcutta, watches, jewellery, &c., £730; for Singapore, jewellery, £100; for Hong Kong, gold thread, watches, &c., £683; for Yokohama, dollars, £600; for Shanghai, dollars, £500; watches, jewellery, &c., £239. 12s. The *Delhi* takes 93 first and 24 second-class passengers, and 56 proceed by the corresponding steamer from Marseilles, making a total of 173. Among them are Colonel McGee, Lieutenant Chalmers, and Lieutenant Williamson, for Gibraltar; Captain Brereton, Lieutenant F. B. Russell, Lieutenant A. Lake, and Lieutenant Gully, for Malta; Captain and Mrs. Ward, Captain and Mrs. Bell, Rev. G. Gritton, Captain and Mrs. Pereira, for Madras; Lieutenant-Colonel W. Tyers, Captain and Mrs. Taylor, Major Ellerman, Lieutenant and Mrs. Spragge, Captain and Mrs. Jones, Rev. J. B. and Mrs. Archer, Lieutenant R. S. Green, Dr. Milne, Ensign J. A. Little, Dr. A. J. Payne, General H. Vetch and Son, Sir B. and Lady Peacock, Captain and Mrs. Bruce, Captain and Mrs. Paske, for Calcutta. Commander H. L. Round, R.N., Commander W. Menzies, R.N., and Major Blamire, for Hong Kong, &c.



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Home Dept., Fort William, Nov. 8.—No. 5,225.—Mr. E. C. Bayley, sec. to the Govt. of India, in the home dept., has obtained three mos. priv. leave from Nov. 1, or from such date as he may avail himself of the same.

The Hon. R. N. Cust will offic. for Mr. Bayley until further orders. Mr. Cust assumed charge of the office on the forenoon of this day.

No. 5,226.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to permit Mr. P. G. E. Taylor to resign the C.S. from Oct. 21.

No. 9.—No. 5,305.—Capt. C. L. Pereira, district supt. of police, 3rd class, central provs., having vacated his app. from Sept. 10, the G.G. in C. is pleased to sanction the following promotions:—

Capt. W. F. Ireland, district supt., 4th class, to be district supt., 3rd class, from the date on which Capt. Pereira vacated his app.

Lieut. D. McNeile, asst. district supt., 1st class, to be district supt., 4th class, from the same date.

Lieut. T. E. Vandergucht, asst. district supt., 2nd class, to be asst. district supt., 1st class, from the same date.

Lieut. H. A. Hammond, officg. district supt., to be asst. district supt., 2nd class, from the same date.

No. 5,307.—Lieut. C. S. Noble, asst. district supt. of police in Oude, has obtained an extension of one day to the preparatory leave of 25 days granted to him in G.O., No. 1,467, dated July 21st last.

No. 10.—No. 5,309.—The G.G. in C. is pleased to invest Mr. W. Munton, extra asst. comsnnr., Nagpore district, in the Central Provs., with the powers of a magistrate.

No. 5,313.—The services of Lieut. A. G. Remington, late of the Oude police, are placed at the disposal of the milv. dept.

No. 5,314.—The services of Lieut. W. C. Anderson, of the 3rd Punjab cav., officg. A.D.C. to H.E. the Viceroy, have been replaced at the disposal of the Govt. of the Punjab from the 1st inst.

No. 5,315.—*Erratum*.—In notification of this dept., No. 5,146, dated 3rd inst. (*Gazette of India*), for "Mr. J. M. Berrill, asst. district supt. of police," read "Mr. J. M. Berrill, district supt. of police."

No. 11.—No. 5,317.—The G.G. in C. has been pleased to app. the Rev. H. B. Burney, a jun. chaplain on the Bengal estab., to be chaplain of Lucknow canton, in succession to the Rev. T. Moore.

No. 5,318.—The G.G. in C. has been pleased to grant to the Rev. W. W. Phelps, a jun. chaplain on the Bengal estab., a furl. for a period of two yrs., from the date on which he may avail himself thereof.

No. 5,326.—Dr. C. Plank, insp. gen. of prisons in Brit. Burmah, reported his arrival at Rangoon, and entered on his duties on Oct. 31.

No. 8.—No. 180.—H.E. the Viceroy and G.G. in C. is pleased to make the following apps. in the Central India Horse:—

1st Regt.—Lieut. J. Irvine, 3rd squad. officer, 2nd regt., officg. adjt. 1st regt., is confirmed in the latter app., v. Lieut. J. J. Blair.

2nd Regt.—Lieut. A. Bannerman, officg. 3rd squad. officer, is confirmed in that app., v. Lieut. J. Irvine.

Lieut. C. B. Horsbrugh, officg. paid doing duty officer, is confirmed in that app., v. Lieut. J. Colledge.

No. 472.—H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to recognise the appt. of M. A. Cateaux and Don M. Babelero de Rodas as consuls, respectively, for Belgium and Spain, at Singapore.

No. 1,177.—Capt. R. Jenkins, asst. agent Gov. gen. for Central India for boundary settlements, availed himself on May 22 last of the 6 mo. leave of absence granted to him in G.O., dated 31st idem, No. 301.

No. 1,180.—Mr. P. Carnegie, settlement officer of Fyzabad, in Oude, availed himself on the afternoon of Sept. 19 of the 1 mo. priv. leave granted him in G.O. No. 1,055, dated Aug. 31.

No. 1,181.—Mr. J. C. Colvin, officg. dep. comsnnr.

of Seetapore, in Oude, availed himself on the afternoon of Oct. 5 of the priv. leave for 1 mo. granted him in G.O. No. 661, dated July 14 last.

No. 1,182.—Mr. A. Shakespear, agent to the Gov. gen. of Benares, resumed charge of his office on the 7th ult.

No. 1,184.—Mr. R. H. Davies, financial comsnnr. of Oude, assumed charge of his duties on the 3rd ult.

ARRIVAL OF ROYAL HORSE ARTILLERY.

Nov. 7.—No. 870.—The head qrs. and D batty., A brig., R.H.A., arrived in the ship *Middlesex*, and E batty. of the same brig., arrived in the ship *Atlanta*, are brought on the estab. of the Bengal presidency from date of landing.

No. 871.—Maj. W. R. Forster, unatt., is perm. to retire from the service on the pension of a lieutenant, from Jan. 1.

No. 874.—The services of Lieut. A. J. C. Cunningham, R.E., temporarily employed in the dept. of Public Works, N.W.P., are placed at the disposal of the Public Works Dept.

No. 875.—Lieut. A. E. Downing, of the late 51st N.I., qrmr. of the 32nd (Punjab) regt. N.I., is appt. an asst. surveyor in the Topographical branch of the survey dept., for employ. in the Ganjam and Orissa survey, v. Lieut. Armstrong, res.

No. 877.—The services of Lieut. J. W. W. Costley, of the 23rd royal Welsh fusiliers, a candidate for the staff corps, are placed at the disposal of the home dept.

No. 878.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on sick certificate:—

Capt. F. Cobbe, of the royal art. supt. of works, Jubulpore, dept. of public works, Central Provs., for 20 mos., under the new regulations.

No. 880.—The following orders issued by the Resident at Hyderabad are confirmed:—

No. 179, dated Oct. 3.—Confirming the regtl. order issued by the officer commanding 4th cav., Hyderabad contin., directing Lieut. H. C. Onslow, officg. adjt., to offic. as 2nd in command of the regt. from Sept. 12, 1864, consequent on the depar. of Maj. H. C. Dowker, 2nd in command, 4th cav., Hyderabad contin., on gen. leave, and directing Lieut. Heman, paid doing duty officer, to act as adjt. of the corps, in addition to his own duties, from the above date, during the period Lieut. Onslow may offic. as 2nd in command.

Oct. 12.—No. 185.—Confirming the regimental order issued by the officer comdg. 2nd inf., Hyderabad contingent, directing Lieut. R. F. Doig, paid doing duty officer, to offic. as adjt. to the corps, from Sept. 25, during the absence on leave of Lieut. R. J. McGhee.

No. 883.—The services of Assist. surg. W. C. Smith, M.D., in medical charge of the 33rd (the Allahabad) regt. N.I., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the N.W.P.

Nov. 11.—No. 884.—The undermen. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on leave of absence on sick certificate:—

Ens. T. McCarthy (unatt.), for 20 mo., under the new regs., from May 21, embarking at Kurrachee.

No. 885.—The undermen. officers have reported their return from England:—

Maj. B. T. Reid, of the Bengal staff corps, superintendent, Chumba, Hill States; Capt. (brev. maj.) M. Thomson, of the late 53rd regt. N.I., dist. superintendent of police, Cawnpore dist.; and Capt. H. L. Gleig, of the late 32nd regt. N.I., date of arrival at Fort William, Oct. 24.

No. 887.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to appoint Mr. C. Currie, C.S., to offic. as president of the Sanitary Commission, convened under Govt. G.O. No. 87 of Feb. 2, during the absence, on priv. leave, of Mr. J. Strachey.

No. 888.—Maj. J. Pitcher, of the Calcutta volunteer rifle corps, is allowed leave of absence to Europe for 1 year, from the date of his departure.

Nov. 22.—No. 5,612a.—Capt. H. Lewis, commander of H.M.'s hospital ship *Beatrice*, to offic. as master attend. at Rangoon, in the room of Capt. Brooking, who has proceeded to England on m.c.

Nov. 23.—No. 5,659.—The servs. of Maj. T. Pierce, 2nd assist. commr., Ajmere, are replaced at the disposal of the milv. dept. from the 8th ult.

Nov. 24.—No. 5,761.—The hon. C. Steer, judge of the High Court of Judicature at Fort William in Bengal, has obtained priv. leave of abs. for 8 mo.

No. 5,763.—Lieut. M. Tweedie, dist. superint. of police, Mahomdee, returned to duty on 4th inst., from 3 mos. priv. leave granted to him on Sept. 3.

Mr. D. Cargill, assist. dist. superint. of police, officd. as dist. superint. of police during Lieut. Tweedie's abs.

Nov. 25.—No. 5,765.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Mr. A. F. Millet, of the C.S., reported qualified for the public service, to the N.W.P., the Punjab and Oude.

Mr. Millet returned on 14th inst. from m.c., granted to him on Sept. 8, 1863.

No. 5,766.—Mr. D. Blenman, superint. of city police at Lucknow, has obtained priv. leave for 1 mo., from Oct. 1, or from such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it.

Insp. J. Prince, of the city police, will offic. for Mr. Blenman.

No. 5,767.—Lieut. R. W. E. Barrowes, gen. list, inf., is appd. asst. dist. superint. of police, in the Central Provinces.

No. 5,769.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the following officer in the Central Provinces, with the powers of a mag.:—Lieut. W. S. Brooke, asst. comsr.

No. 5,771.—The undermen. officers of the police of the Central Provinces have passed the examination prescribed for jun. civil officers:—

Lieut. W. Vertue, offic. dist. superint.

Messrs. A. Wrison and A. Colliss, inspectors.

No. 5,773.—Mr. T. Oldham resumed charge of the office of superint. of the Geological Survey of India on the forenoon of the 14th inst.

No. 5,775.—Maj. D. S. Barrow, dep. insp. gen. of police, availed himself, on 24th ult., of the 1 mo. priv. leave granted to him on Aug. 29.

No. 5,777.—Lieut. J. W. W. Costley, of the 23rd or Royal Welsh fusilier regt., to offic. as an asst. supt. of police in British Burmah.

No. 5,784.—Surg. C. Palmer, m.d., is app. to be marine surg., v. Surg. maj. A. C. Macrae, res.

Nov. 21.—No. 551.—Mr. J. Dickie to be consular agent for the United States of America at Akyab, v. Mr. J. Halliday, junr.

No. 1,322.—Capt. P. W. Bannerman, 2nd asst. agent, Gov. gen. for Central India (late offic. supt. of Dhar), resumed charge of his office and of the Indore treasury on Nov. 2.

No. 1,325.—The services of Mr. C. Currie, C.S., are placed temp. at the disposal of the mil. dept.

No. 1,328.—Surg. maj. S. A. Homan, app. in G.O. No. 1,503, dated Oct. 7, to the med. charge of the Gwalior Political Agency, assumed charge of his duties on Nov. 1.

No. 1,329.—Mr. F. R. S. Wyllie, Bombay C.S., is app. to be asst. sec. to the Chief Commr. of the Central Provinces.

Mr. Wyllie assumed charge of his office from Lieut. Bloomfield on Nov. 5.

No. 1,331.—Capt. C. K. M. Walter, political agent of Bhurtpore, returned to India on Oct. 17, and resumed charge of his office from Capt. W. Carnell on the afternoon of Oct. 22.

No. 1,332.—Mr. G. P. Money assumed charge of the office of agent to the Gov. gen. at Benares on Nov. 9.

No. 1,333.—Dr. K. Burr, in med. charge of the Jeypore political agency, has 1 mo. priv. leave of absence, from Nov. 17.

No. 1,334.—The undermentioned officers attached to the Mysore commission have passed the prescribed examination in Canarese:—

Lieut. E. F. H. Armstrong, asst. superint.

Lieuts. E. Shaw and E. P. Maltby, probationary assts.

No. 1,335.—The undermentioned officers of the Mysore commission have passed the examination prescribed for assistants in that province:—

In the Higher Standard.

Lieut. F. H. T. Gordon Cumming, with credit.

Capt. A. G. D. Logan.

Lieut. E. F. H. Armstrong.

In the Lower Standard.

Capt. C. A. Benson and H. E. Mottet, Lieuts. E. P. Maltby and E. Shaw, with credit.

No. 1,337.—Mr. P. A. Walker, extra asst. comsr. of Lucknow, has 15 mo. leave to Europe on m.c., with 25 days' prep. leave from date on which he may avail himself of it, to reach the port of embarkation.

Nov. 23.—No. 1,363.—Mr. St. G. Tucker, comr. of the Khyrabad division, in Oude, received charge of his office from Capt. E. Thompson on the forenoon of the 8th inst.

No. 1,364.—The priv. leave for 1 mo. granted in G.O. dated Sept. 29 last, No. 1,355, to Maj. A. L. McMullin, 1st asst. to the Gov. gen.'s agent for Central India, is altered to leave for 58 days.

Major McMullin resumed charge of the offices of 1st asst. and dep. opium agent on the 1st inst.

Nov. 24.—No. 216.—Lieut. J. H. L. Greenfield, of the 11th Bombay N.I., is appointed to officiate as adjt. of the Eripoorah irregular force, with effect from Sept. 20 last.

No. 1,372.—H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following arrangements in the Hyderabad Commission:—

Deputy Commissioners.

Capt. J. Allardyce, 2nd class, East Berar.
Mr. J. G. Cordery, offic., v. Maj. Stubbs, 2nd class, West Berar.

Capt. J. G. Bell, 3rd class, S.W. Berar.
Lieut. Huddleston, 3rd class, S.E. Berar.

1st Class Assistant Commissioners.
Capt. J. T. Bushby.

Lieut. H. C. A. Szczepanski.
2nd Class Assistant Commissioners.

Mr. C. Hordern.
Lieut. K. J. L. Mackenzie.

Lieut. J. FitzGerald.
Capt. H. C. Menzies.

3rd Class Assistant Commissioners.
Lieut. R. Bullock; also asst. conservator, forest dept.

Capt. C. T. O. Mayne.
Lieut. A. Farrer.

Mr. C. W. Davies, extra asst. comr., 3rd class respectively, prom. to the grade of 1st class extra asst. comr.

No. 1,374.—Mr. C. Currie, late settlement comr. in Oude, is app. to be comr. of the Lucknow div., from 12th prox., v. Lieut. col. S. A. Abbott, res.

No. 1,380.—Mr. J. C. Colvin, offic. dep. comr. of Seetapore, Oude, ret. to his duty on 7th inst.

No. 1,381.—Capt. J. F. MacAndrew, dep. comr. of Roy Bareilly, Oude, received charge of his office from Mr. G. L. Lang, asst. settlement officer, on 5th inst.

No. 1,382.—The undermentioned officers of the Oude Commission returned to their duty on the dates specified opposite their names from the priv. leave granted them in G.O. dated Sept. 14, No. 1,297:—

Mr. T. M. Mason, asst. comr. of Oonao, on 10th inst.

Mr. J. G. Anderson, dep. comr. of Baraitch, on 14th inst.

No. 3,484.—Mr. E. S. Byrne received charge of the office of 4th asst. auditor general on Nov. 17, 1864.

CASH BALANCES.

No. 14.—No. 3,208.—In continuation of notification No. 2,499, dated Sept. 20, the following statement of Cash Balances, as reported up to this date in the Govt. Treasuries in India at the close of the month of July last, contrasted with that of the previous year, is published for general information:—

According to the present limits of the several Governments.	1862. August.	1863. August.	1864. August.
	Co's Rs.	Co's Rs.	Co's Rs.
Govt. of India	5,69,64,608	3,71,16,056	2,32,32,641
" Bengal	1,84,07,869	1,20,35,611	1,46,12,132
" N.W. Provinces	3,91,85,020	3,04,36,519	1,99,33,287
" Punjab	1,27,15,988	1,04,38,574	1,08,87,665
" Bombay	3,92,83,679	2,29,34,914	1,77,42,136
" Central Provs.	55,32,754	50,41,122	49,03,599
" Deccan	16,21,483	29,08,638	23,48,776
" Madras	2,65,08,667	2,88,81,357	2,57,05,720
Total	18,22,22,667	15,71,25,836	11,93,55,916

No. 25.—No. 3,462.—Extract from a despatch from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, addressed to the Govt. of India, in the financial dept., No. 219, dated Sept. 15:—

2. I have further to acquaint you that whenever your Govt. may be advised that a covenanted or uncovenanted civil servant has been permitted to return to duty by a particular steamer, it is to be understood that any extension of leave thereby rendered necessary has been granted without prejudice to the appt. of the absentee.

Published in continuation of financial notification No. 44, dated Dec. 19, 1862.

No. 3,541.—Mr. E. F. Harrison, offic. dep. auditor and civil paym., British Burmah, to be dep. auditor and acct. gen., N.W.P., but to continue to discharge the duties of his present office until further orders.

Mr. W. Waterfield to offic. as dep. auditor and acct. gen., N.W.P., during the absence of Mr. E. F. Harrison, or until further orders.

Mr. R. C. Tulloh to offic. as exam. of claims in the civil dept., Calcutta.

Nov. 18.—No. 317.—Capt. F. T. Haig, superint. engr., Upper Godavery Circle, has been granted 1 mo. leave, to Madras, prep. to Eur., with effect from Sept. 9, 1864.

Nov. 19.—No. 318.—Mr. H. W. Hughes, proby. asst. engr., is temporarily attached to the Lucknow div., with effect from Sept. 5 last.

Nov. 21.—No. 319.—Col. E. Lawford, R.E., chief engr., Mysore, resumed charge of his office from Maj. R. H. Sankey, R.E., before noon on Oct. 21, 1864.

No. 320.—Mr. D. McGregor, late corporal in the Madras sappers and miners, having obtained his discharge from the army, is brought on the strength of the public works dept. as a civilian in the grade of supervisor.

No. 321.—Mr. G. W. Jones, assist. engr., 2nd class British Burmah, joined the embankment div. on Sept. 12, 1864.

No. 322.—Maj. R. C. Babington, Madras staff corps, who was app. exec. engr., 4th class, and posted to British Burmah in notification No. 197, dated July 26 last, is placed in the grade of exec. engr., 3rd class, with effect from Aug. 15, 1864.

No. 323.—Lieut. W. P. Tomkins, R.E., assist. engr., 1st class, is transferred from Bengal to British Burmah, and Mr. G. W. Jones, assist. engr., 2nd class, from the latter to the former.

No. 324.—Maj. A. Allen, exec. engr., 1st class, Upper Godavery Works, is appd. superint. of works, Jubbulpore.

Nov. 22.—No. 325.—In notification No. 210 of Aug. 10, transfg. Capt. A. Cadell, R.E., to the Punjab, for "superint. engr. 1st class," read superint. engr. 2nd class.

Nov. 23.—No. 326.—Mr. W. R. Chill, asst. overseer, is transf. from the N.W. Provinces to Oude, and temp. appt. to the accounts branch of the dept. as an asst. acct., 3rd class.

No. 327.—Lieut. J. P. Westmorland, R.E., dep. controller and examiner, Public Works Accounts, Oude, returned to his duties on the forenoon of Oct. 25 last, from the priv. leave granted him in notification No. 221 of Aug. 19 last.

Nov. 21.—No. 926.—With reference to notification issued from the home dept. No. 5,313 of Nov. 10, the services of Lieut. A. G. Remington, late 12th regt. N.I., and late of the Oude police, are placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C.

No. 927.—With reference to the notification issued from the foreign dept., No. 1,251 of Nov. 15, the services of Asst. surg. J. Law, m.d., of the Madras estab., civil asst. surg., Blundara district, are re-placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Fort St. George.

No. 928.—Appointment:—

Hyderabad Contingent.

2nd Cavalry.—Lieut. A. G. W. Hemans, offic. paid doing duty officer, 4th cav., to be paid doing duty officer, temp., during the period Lieut. Walker may offic. as adjt., or until further orders.

Lieut. G. B. Farrington will continue with the 2nd cav. as a temp. measure.

No. 929.—The undermen. officers are permitted to proceed to Europe on leave of abs. on m.c.:—

Maj. G. A. F. Hauchen, of the Bengal staff corps, exec. engr., Hill-road div., dept. of public works, Punjab, for 20 mos.

Asst. surg. N. J. Grant, of the med. dept., in med. charge of the 12th Bengal cav., for 20 mos., under the new regts.

No. 930.—The undermen. officers having completed 20 yrs. serv., six yrs. of which were on permanent staff employ, to be majs., from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, under the royal warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. (brev. majs.) G. Swiney and W. Briggs; Nov. 18.

No. 931.—The undermen. officer having completed 12 yrs. serv. four yrs. of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt., from the date specified opposite to his name under the royal warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Bengal Staff Corps.—Lieut. (brev. capt.) T. E. Vander Gucht, Nov. 9.

No. 932.—The undermen. officers have reported their return from England:—

Date of arrival at Fort William, Nov. 12.

Maj. E. A. Rowlett, of the Bengal staff corps.

Maj. W. McNeile, of the Bengal staff corps, dep. comr., Goordaspore.

Maj. F. Alexander, of the Bengal staff corps, exec. engr., dept. of public works, 1st circle, N.W.P.

Maj. C. W. Nightingale, of the Bengal staff corps, exec. engr., dept. of public works, Hill Roads, Punjab.

Capt. W. Winson, of the Bengal staff corps, comdt. 18th (the Alipore) regt. N.I.

Capt. R. A. Nowell, of the Bengal staff corps.

Capt. A. F. Danvers, of the Bombay staff corps, dist. supt. of police, Hurdai.

Lieut. G. A. Way, of the Bengal staff corps.

Lieut. H. B. Lockwood, of the late 4th Eur. L.C., adjt., Gov. gen.'s body guard.
Lieut. P. H. Wynter, of the late 32nd regt. N.I.

Lieut. R. D. Osborn, of the Bengal staff corps, adjt. 12th Bengal cav.

Lieut. E. Kitson, of the late 64th regt. N.I.

Lieut. col. J. F. D. 'E. W. Hall, of the Bengal inf., comdt., Eriipoorah irregular force; Capt. the Hon. J. H. Fraser, late 4th Eur. regt.; and Conductor W. Wilkinson, pub. works dept.; date of arrival at Bombay, Nov. 9, 1864.

No. 933.—The undermen. non. com. officers are admitted to pension, as specified opposite to their respective names:—

Serg. H. O'Grady, of the artillery company, Eur. invalid battalion; and Serg. J. Gorman, of the artillery company, Eur. invalid battalion; Rs. (30), thirty each per mensem, payable in India.

No. 934.—The following orders issued by the Resident at Hyderabad are confirmed:—

No. 189, dated Oct. 20.—Directing the following postings:—

Asst. surg. C. T. Eves, attached to the 2nd inf. Hyderabad Contingent, to the 6th inf. Hyderabad Contingent, but to remain in med. charge of the 1st cavalry Hyderabad Contingent, till the arrival of Asst. surg. A. Sanderson, A.M., M.B., or until further orders.

Asst. surg. F. H. Smith, offic. in med. charge, 2nd inf. Hyderabad Contingent, to the med. charge of the corps.

No. 195, dated Oct. 26.—Permitting Capt. H. J. E. Teed, 2nd in com., 1st Inf. Hyderabad Contingent, to proceed to Bombay, prep. to obtaining sick leave to Europe.

No. 198, dated Oct. 28.—Appointing Asst. surg. F. Duckworth, M.D., to the offic. med. charge of the 1st Inf. Hyderabad Contingent, and directing him to join forthwith, v. Asst. surg. Doyle, reported sick.

No. 200, dated Nov. 3.—Confirming the regimental order issued by the officer comdg. 4th Cav. Hyderabad Contingent, directing Lieut. and Adj. F. J. Innes to offic. as 2nd in com. 4th Cav. Hyderabad Contingent, from Oct. 20, during the absence of Maj. H. C. Dowker, on general leave, and Lieut. H. C. Onslow to offic. as adj. of the regt. during the period Lieut. F. J. Innes may offic. as 2nd in com.

No. 22.—No. 935.—The following orders, issued by the Government of Bombay, are confirmed:—

No. 425, dated Sept. 15.—Permitting Capt. (brev. maj.) H. S. Cochrane, v.c., H.M.'s 7th royal fusiliers, brigade maj., Saugor, to proceed to Europe for the purpose of appearing before a med. board.

No. 523, dated Oct. 26.—Granting leave of absence to Europe on m.c. to Lieut. F. C. Bewsher, of the Bengal staff corps, asst. comsgr., Dehra Gaze Khan, for 20 mo., with effect from Aug. 18, 1864.

No. 936.—The following promotions and alterations of rank are made, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Promotions.

Medical Dept.—Asst. surg. P. O'Brien, F.R.C.S., to be surg., from June 15, v. Surg. W. F. B. Dalzel, M.D., whose date of rank has been altered.

Asst. surg. G. Barnard to be surg., from June 15, v. Surg. S. B. Partridge, Fel. U.C., whose date of rank has been altered.

Asst. surg. R. H. Perkins to be surg., from Aug. 7, v. Surg. C. Stewart, M.D., deceased.

Asst. surg. W. B. Beatson, M.D., to be surg., from Nov. 1, v. Deputy Inspector gen. of Hospitals G. S. Mann, F.R.C.S., deceased.

Alterations of Rank.—Medical Department.

Surg. E. McKellar, from Sept. 25, 1863, v. Surg. maj. T. Thomson, M.D., ret.

Surg. A. C. Castriot DeRenzy, B.A., from Oct. 12, 1863, v. Surg. S. G. Bonsfield, ret.

Surg. A. Christison, M.D., from Dec. 18, 1863, v. Dep. inspector gen. of hospitals M. McN. Rind, dec.

Surg. J. M. Cunningham, M.D., from Dec. 20, 1863, v. Surg. maj. T. W. Wilson, ret.

Surg. J. C. Corbyn, M.D., from Dec. 20, 1863, v. Surg. maj. C. G. Andrews, ret.

Surg. G. M. Gowan, M.D., from March 8, 1864, v. Surg. A. White, M.D., ret.

Surg. S. C. Townsend, from March 12, 1864, v. Surg. maj. C. M. Henderson, M.D., ret.

Surg. C. T. Paske, from March 24, 1864, v. Dep. Inspector gen. of hospitals W. Thomson, ret.

Surg. W. F. B. Dalzel, M.D., from April 1, 1864, v. Dep. inspector gen. of hospitals J. B. Dickson, ret.

Surg. S. B. Partridge, Fel. U.C., from April 8, 1864, v. Surg. J. W. Mountjoy, ret.

No. 937.—The services of Capt. (brev. maj.) C. B. G. Bacon, late 3rd Eur. regt., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the N.W.P.

No. 23.—No. 938.—The serv. of Lieut. L. J. H. Grey, of the Bengal staff corps, adjt. 7th Bengal cav., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

No. 940.—The following proms. are made in the civil estab. of the great trigonometrical survey, with effect from the dates specified, v. civil assts. Messrs. Armstrong and Clarkson, retired:—

Mr. H. Beverley, from the jun. grade of civil 2nd asst., to the sen. grade, from Aug. 17.

Mr. L. H. Clarke, from the jun. grade of civil 2nd asst., to the sen. grade, from Sept. 19.

No. 942.—Maj. G. Ward, of the late 5th Eur. light cav., brig. maj. at Dinapore, is permitted, at his own request, to resign his app. on the brig. staff, with effect from 1st inst.

No. 24.—No. 943.—Mr. C. T. Evans is app. a 3rd class sub. asst. in the topographical branch of the survey dept., to fill a vacancy, with effect from 4th inst.

CONSOLIDATION OF OFFICES.

No. 944.—It having been resolved, with reference to the resolution of the Govt. of India in the financial dept., No. 2,695, of Sept. 30, para. 5, to carry out at once the consolidation of the estabs. and accounts of the two offices of superint. and of agent for army clothing, the separate office of superint. is abolished, and the supervision of the clothing dept. will henceforward be vested in one officer, to be styled "superint. and agent for army clothing."

2. This officer will be allowed a staff salary of Rs. 1,000 per mensem, as laid down in G.O. by the Gov. gen. No. 156a of Oct. 13, 1863, in addition to the staff corps pay and Presidency house-rent of his rank.

No. 945.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 944 of this date, abolishing the separate appointment of superintendent of army clothing, H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to appoint Lieut. col. M. J. Turnbull, agent and at present in charge of the superintendent office, to be "superintendent and agent for army clothing."

No. 946.—The services of Asst. surg. H. Clark, M.D., in medical charge of A battery F royal horse brigade, are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept. on his being relieved of his present duties.

No. 25.—No. 948.—In continuation of G.G.O. No. 892, of the 11th inst., the foll. prom. by brevet is made under the operation of G.G.O. Nos. 632 and 633, of Aug. 4, from the date specified, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

To be Major.—Staff corps Capt. C. F. Browne, May 12, 1863.

No. 949.—The underment. officers have reported their return from England:—

Lieut. D. R. Clarke, of the late 55th N.I.; date of arrival at Fort William, Nov. 12.

Lieut. W. E. Gowan, of the gen. list, inf.; date of arrival at Fort William, Nov. 21.

Lieut. C. S. De F. Roche, of the late 6th Eur. regt.; date of arrival at Bombay, Nov. 12.

No. 950.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the foll. appt.:—

Maj. gen. A. M. Becher, C.B., now temp. employed on the div. staff of the army, is confirmed in the app., in succession to Maj. gen. J. MacDuff, C.B., res.

No. 951.—App.—Col. D. Pott, of the Bengal inf., to the brigade staff, with the rank of brig. gen., in succession to Col. J. Welchman, prom. to the rank of maj. gen.

No. 25.—No. 5,846.—Mr. V. Ball, B.A., has been appointed an asst. on the geological survey, with effect from Oct. 29.

No. 29.—No. 5,892a.—Under the provisions of Section 39 of Act XXII. of 1864, H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to extend the said Act to the cantonments of Lucknow and Fyzabad in the province of Oude.

Under the provisions of Section 3 of the said Act, H.E. in Council is pleased to invest the following officers with the powers of a mag.:—

Capt. H. S. V. Fisher within the limits of the cantonment of Lucknow.

Capt. W. T. MacGregor within the limits of the cantonment of Fyzabad.

No. 30.—No. 5,901.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest Capt. J. D. S. Bennet, 5th regt. Madras N.I., cantonment mag. of Rangoon, province of British Burmah, with the powers of a mag., and also with civil jurisdiction, under Section 1 of Act III. of 1859.

No. 6,003.—Sir G. Couper, Bart., C.B., judicial comr. of Oude, ret. from the 3 mo. priv. leave granted to him in G.O. No. 218, dated May 21 last, and received charge of his office from Mr. St. G. Tucker on 8th inst.

No. 6,005.—Mr. W. Waterfield, on the Bengal C.S., att. to the financial dept. of the Govt. of India, reported his return from furl. on 11th inst.

No. 6,007.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to permit Mr. R. Marriott to res. the C.S. from Aug. 4.

No. 6,009.—The notification of this dept., No. 5,314, dated 10th instant, replacing the services of Lieut. W. C. Anderson, of the 3rd Punjab cav., at the disposal of the Govt. of the Punjab, is cancelled.

No. 6,011.—The leave, under m.c., granted by the notification of the foreign dept., No. 847, dated Feb. 27, to the Rev. F. C. Viret, of the Bengal Ecclesiastical estab., to proceed to Eur. for 20 mo., has been reduced to 18 mo.

Mr. Viret has since been granted by the Secy. of State an ext. of leave, on m.c., for 4 mo. from Sept. 3.

No. 6,014.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to grant to Dr. J. McLeod Cameron, civil asst. surg. of Sironcha, Central Provinces, 3 mo.'s privilege leave, from date on which he may avail himself of same.

No. 6,016.—Lieut. M. M. Bowie, asst. comr., received charge of the office of dist. superint. of police at Sumbulpore, Central Provinces, on Oct. 25, 1864, from Mr. J. M. Berrill.

No. 6,022.—The services of Asst. surg. T. G. Skardon, civil asst. surg., Mundla, Central Provs., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the N.W.P.

No. 6,031.—Asst. surg. L. H. Lees, M.D., of the 30th regt. (Punjab) N.I., is confirmed in the app. of civil surg. at Akyab, v. Dr. Graham, transf. to another app.

No. 6,033.—Mr. A. Dodd, 1st officer of H.M.'s steamer *Nemesis*, app. to offic. as master attendant and marine storekeeper at Moulmein, received charge of that office, from Capt. J. Slade, on the forenoon of Nov. 7.

No. 6,035.—Mr. 1st Insp. E. Faulkner, offic. asst. supt., Central India circle, to be asst. supt.

Dec. 2.—No. 6,037.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to reattach to the N.W.P., the Punjab, and Oude, Mr. D. C. Halkett, C.S., who returned from England on 28th ult.

No. 5,979.—The undermen. gentlemen, appd. by the Secy. of State for India members of H.M.'s C.S. on the Bengal estab., reported, on 25th ult., their arrival at the Sandheads on the 24th idem, viz.:—

Messrs. J. W. Neill, J. W. Gardiner, S. S. Thorburn, and G. J. S. Hodgkinson.

No. 5,980.—The undermen. gentleman, appd. by the Secy. of State for India a member of H.M.'s C.S. on the Bengal estab., reported, on 26th ult., his arrival at the Sandheads on 24th idem, viz.:—Mr. F. Venning.

No. 1,418.—Mr. F. W. Kelly, asst. revenue surveyor, 3rd class, attached to the 2nd division, Oude survey, availed himself on Oct. 25 last of the privilege leave granted to him in G.O. dated Sept. 6, No. 1,126.

No. 1,420.—The underment. officers serving in the Central Provinces have passed the examination prescribed for junior civil officers:—

For the Higher Standard.

Lieut. W. S. Brooke, asst. comr.

Lieut. J. Forsyth, asst. comr.

Maj. S. C. D. Ryder, cantonment joint mag.

Dr. P. Cullen, civil asst. surg. and hon. mag.

For the Lower Standard.

Lieuts. M. M. Bowie and H. J. Lugard, asst. comsrs.

Lieuts. T. H. B. Brooke and J. W. McDougall, asst. comsrs., subject to exam. in Mahratta.

Lieut. J. Temple, asst. comr.

Dec. 1.—No. 1,440.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to accept the resignation by Lieut. W. S. Macleod of his app. as asst. comr., 2nd class, in the Central Provs., and to replace his services at the disposal of the milly. dept., with effect from Oct. 1.

The following arrangements are made in consequence:—

Lieut. H. C. E. Ward, late superint. of Dhar, to be an asst. comr. of the 2nd class, v. Lieut. Macleod, res.

Lieut. A. Bloomfield, late offic. asst. secy. to the chief comr., Central Provinces, to offic. as an asst. comr., as a temp. arrangement.

No. 1,444.—Capt. C. V. Gordon, asst. comr. of Saugor, in the Central Provinces, has obtained 2 mo. priv. leave of absence from the date on which he may avail himself of it.

No. 1,445.—Mr. A. M. Russell, asst. settlement officer of the Dumoh dist., in the Central Provinces, has obtained 1 mo. priv. leave from Nov. 1.

No. 1,446.—Capt. J. Perkins, dep. comr. of Seol-

tanpore, in Oude, is appointed to offic. as comr. of Baiwarra div., as a temp. arrangement.

Capt. Perkins received charge of the above div. from Mr. C. Currie on Nov. 12.

No. 1,448.—Mr. C. Lindsay, settlement officer of Hurdul, in Oude, reported his return to India on Nov. 24.

Mr. Lindsay has 10 days' leave to enable him to rejoin his appt.

Dec. 2.—No. 305.—In G.O. No. 381, dated Oct. 7, for "Rev. J. Warrat," read "Rev. J. Marrat."

Fort William, Nov. 25.—No. 952.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 13 of Jan. 7, H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to confirm Surg. C. Palmer, M.D., in the appt. of Presidency surg., in which he is now offic.

H.M.'s REGIMENTS.

No. 955.—The head qrs. of the regt. noted below are brought on the estab. of the Bengal Presidency from date of landing:—

H.M.'s 1st battalion, 11th foot, arrived in the *Blenheim*.

H.M.'s 2nd batt., 12th foot, arrived in the ship *Aliquis*.

No. 956.—Promotions in the medical dept.:—

Dep. inspector gen. of hospitals J. H. Butler, with temp. rank, to be dep. inspector gen. of hospitals, with effect from Oct. 31, 1864, v. Dep. inspector gen. of hospitals G. S. Mann, dec.

Surg. maj. W. Keates to be a dep. inspector gen. of hospitals, with temp. rank, from Oct. 31, 1864, v. Dep. inspector gen. of hospitals J. H. Butler.

Nov. 28.—No. 957.—The services of Lieut. C. Young, of the gen. list, inf., offic. doing duty officer, 40th (the Shajehanpore) regt. N.I., are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept.

Nov. 30.—No. 959.—Lieut. R. H. Dyas, of the late 4th Eur. regt., is allowed an ext. of leave from Oct. 22 to 26, the date on which he returned to Bengal from sick leave to Bangalore, in the Madras pres.

No. 960.—Lieut. P. H. M. Wynter, of the late 82nd N.I., has an ext. of leave from the 10th to the 12th inst., the date on which he reported his return to Bengal from sick leave to Europe.

Punjab Irregular Force.

2nd Cav.—Lieut. T. Higginson, adjt., 22nd Madras N.I., offic. doing duty officer, to be doing duty officer, v. Lieut. Broome, appointed 3rd squadron officer.

No. 955.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on leave of absence on m.c.—Surg. W. B. Beatson, M.D., of the med. dept., for 20 mo., under the new regs.

No. 966.—The underment. officer of the R.E., who has been placed under orders for duty in the Bengal pres., reported his arrival on the date specified below:—

Royal Engineers.—Lieut. F. Bailey; date of arrival at Fort William, Nov. 12.

No. 967.—The services of Capt. R. G. Jones, of the 2nd Madras L.C., are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept.

Dec. 2.—No. 971.—The following order, issued by the Resident at Hyderabad, is confirmed:—

Oct. 25.—No. 194.—Permitting the underment. officers to exchange corps:—

Lieuts.: Paid doing duty officers W. H. Macnaghten, from 1st cav. Hyderabad contingent, to 2nd cav. Hyderabad contingent, and J. G. D. Walker, from 2nd cav. Hyderabad contingent, to 1st cav. Hyderabad contingent.

No. 973.—The underment. officers are perm. to proceed to Europe on leave of absence on sick certificate:—

Lieut. H. F. Woodcock, of the gen. list, inf., asst. dist. superint. of police, Ajmere, for 1 year, under the new regs.

Lieut. R. J. Wimberley, of the gen. list, inf., dist. superint. of police, Punjab, for 15 mos. under the new regulations.

No. 976.—The services of Maj. H. Dixon, of the 22nd regt. Madras N.I., are placed temporarily at the disposal of the foreign dept.

No. 977.—The underment. officers are admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, subject to the confirmation of the Rt. Hon. the Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. J. B. Sparks, of H.M.'s 38th foot, asst. engr., Agra and Bombay road, dept. public works, North-Western Provs., June 24, 1863.

Lieut. W. J. W. Muir, of the royal art., asst. to the agent to the Gov. gen. for Rajpootana, Sept. 8, 1863.

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Oct. 26.—No. 5,455.—Appts.:—

Mr. C. C. Quinn to be asst. to the mag. and coll. of Nudda, and to exercise the powers of a subord. mag. of the 2nd class.

Mr. P. Hurley to be asst. to the mag. and coll. of Tipperah, and to exercise the powers of a subord. mag. of the 2nd class.

Mr. E. H. S. Davis, asst. supt. of police, Bancoorah, to be in charge of the sub div. of Cutwa.

Oct. 28.—Mr. P. Dickens, asst. mag. and coll. of Midnapore, to have temp. charge of the sub div. of Tumlook, and to exercise the powers of a subord. mag. of the 1st class, and the powers of a salt agent in that dist.

Dr. W. J. Ellis to offic., until further orders, as civil asst. surg. at Mymensing.

Nov. 2.—Mr. W. H. Verner, asst. mag. and coll. of Bheerbhoom, is temp. transf. to the 24 Pergunnahs, and is vested with the powers of a subord. mag. of the 2nd class, described in sec. 22 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Act XXV. of 1861) in that dist.

Nov. 7.—Maj. A. H. Paterson, dep. insp. gen. of police, 4th circle, to be a dep. insp. gen. of the 2nd grade.

Mr. E. B. Baker, dist. supt. of police, Cuttack, to be a dep. insp. gen. of the 3rd grade, and to have charge of the 3rd circle.

The foll. dist. supts. of the 2nd grade to be dist. supts. of the 1st grade:—

Capt. D. H. Osborn.

Lieut. G. M. Bowie.

The foll. dist. supts. of the 3rd grade to be dist. supts. of the 2nd grade:—

Capt. S. A. T. Judge.

Lieut. T. H. Buttanshaw.

Mr. R. W. King.

The foll. dist. supts. of the 4th grade to be dist. supts. of the 3rd grade:—

Mr. H. M. Weatherall.

Lieut. W. W. Hume.

Mr. E. J. Shuttleworth.

Mr. C. G. Baker, v.c., dist. supt. of Hooghly, to offic. as dep. insp. gen. of police in the 4th circle, and in the dists. of Maunbhoom and Singbhoom of the 6th circle.

The above appts. will take effect from the 22nd ult.

Oct. 27.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. A. C. Brett, asst. comr., Chota Nagpore, for 6 mo., from Aug. 1 last, under sec. 14 of the Covenanted Absentee Rules.

Oct. 29.—Mr. L. T. Bishop, asst. supt. of police, Dinapore, for 6 mo.

Nov. 1.—Mr. T. H. Dickens, senior mag. of police, Calcutta, for 2 mo., from the 26th ult.

Lieut. H. B. Sanderson, offic. dist. supt. of police, Hooghly, for 1 mo., from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave. Lieut. Sanderson will make over charge of his duties to the asst. supt., Mr. H. G. Wilkins.

Nov. 1.—Capt. J. G. Reddie, master attendant, having resumed charge of his office on the 25th ult., the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him July 14 last is cancelled.

Nov. 2.—Mr. M. Little, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Monghyr, is perm. to avail himself of the leave granted to him on Sept. 28 last from Feb. 20 next.

The services of the foll. officers were placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the mily. dept. on the dates mentioned, viz.:—

Dr. R. Brown, civil asst. surg. of Sylhet, on Oct. 24.

Dr. J. G. French, offic. civil asst. surg. of Mymensing, on Oct. 28.

Nov. 1.—The services of the Rev. H. B. Burney, chaplain of Hazareebaugh, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the foreign dept. This cancels the priv. leave for 1 mo. granted to him on Sept. 28 last.

The services of Lieut. A. Andrew, offic. dep. comr. of Durrung, are replaced at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the mily. dept.

Nov. 4.—The priv. leave of absence for 1 mo. granted by the Lord Bishop of Calcutta to the Rev. W. Spencer, chaplain of Howrah, from the date on which he may avail himself of it, is confirmed.

Nov. 3.—Mr. E. G. Glazier, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. of Backergunge, to offic. also as mag. and coll. of the dist.

Nov. 5.—Mr. W. C. Costley, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Sherghotty, is prom. to the 2nd grade of the subord. exec. service.

Nov. 7.—Mr. A. D'Larymore, assist. superint. of police, to offic. as dist. superint. of police, Backergunge, during the absence on leave of Mr. T. J. Maltby, or until further orders.

Mr. K. H. Stephen to have charge of the sub. div. of Cox's bazaar, and to exercise the powers of a mag. in Chittagong.

Mr. E. B. Godfrey to have charge of the sub div. of Manickgunge, and to exercise the powers of a mag. in Dacca.

Nov. 9.—Mr. E. T. Trevor to be a member of the council of the Lieut. gov. of Bengal.

Nov. 5.—Leave of Absence.—Mr. H. W. Mackenzie, extra asst. comr., Burpeta, for 1 mo.

Nov. 7.—Mr. T. J. Maltby, dist. superint. of police, Backergunge, for 1 mo.

Nov. 10.—Mr. J. B. Pratt, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Gurbetta, for 1 mo.

Nov. 1.—Mr. J. B. Shadwell, asst. comr. of the Cossyah and Jynteah Hills, having successfully passed an exam. in the Cossyah language, has been presented with a donation of Rs. 1,000.

It is hereby notified for gen. information that, under instructions from the Govt. of India, the reward to be given from and after this date to any officer of the Assam Commission who may successfully pass in a Hill language, is limited to Rs. 500, and that the exam. must be passed within 10 years of his first appt. to the commission.

Nov. 2.—The services of Lieut. G. S. Hills are placed at the disposal of the Public Works Dept. of this Govt.

Nov. 9.—Mr. C. P. Caspersz, comr. of the Soonderbuns, having reported his return to the presidency on the 4th inst. per ship *St. Lawrence*, the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him by the Secretary of State for India is cancelled.

The following gentlemen are apptd. to be members of the Municipal Committee of Chuprah under the provisions of the Act:—

Dr. C. J. Jackson.

Mr. W. E. Ward.

Lieut. R. M. Skinner.

Mr. F. Dacre.

Mr. S. Cooper.

Nov. 7.—No. 840.—Transfer.—Mr. T. J. Macnamara, asst. engr. of the 1st class, from the Burakur to the presidency div.

Nov. 10.—No. 342.—Mr. J. O'Flaherty, jun. (local) prob. asst. engr., from the Burdwan (local road) div. to the Hidgellee div.

Mr. J. R. K. Williams (local), prob. asst. engr., from the Nuddea (local roads) div. to the Hidgellee div.

Nov. 12.—No. 343.—Mr. G. Rayner, exec. engr. (3rd class), Rajshahy div., is allowed leave of abs., on m.c., for 1 year, to proceed to Europe.

Mr. Rayner is also allowed prep. leave from the 15th ult. to the date of the departure of the second mail steamer of this month.

Nov. 14.—No. 345.—Mr. T. G. Morton, overseer, attached to the Sylhet div., has been permitted, at his own request, to resign his appt. in the upper sub. estab. of the public works dept., in Bengal, with effect from the 31st ult.

No. 347.—Mr. J. Gilmore is re-apptd. to the upper sub. estab. of the public works estab., in Bengal, as an overseer, and is posted to the Behar circle.

No. 7.—Major J. Hovenden, R.E., dep. consulting engr. to Govt. of Bengal, railway dept., has this day returned from the priv. leave granted to him, dated Oct. 28.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR, N.W.P.

Oct. 8.—No. 81a.—The Hon. the Lieut. gov. is pleased to sanction the delegation to Mr. J. C. Steinbelt, of Ghazeeapore, of the full powers of a mag.

Oct. 31.—No. 1,200.—Mr. G. P. Money, judge of Allahabad, to offic. as comr. of Benares, making over charge of the current duties of the Judge's office to the principal sudder ameen.

Nov. 1.—Mr. J. Vaughan is invested with powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class.

Nov. 3.—No. 141.—One mo. priv. leave of abs., under the orders of the Govt. of India, dated Oct. 13, 1863, is granted to Lieut. D. M. Strong, asst. supt. of police, Benares div., with effect from the 1st inst., or from the subsequent date of his availing himself of the same.

Nov. 1.—No. 522.—Mr. P. Niblett, dep. coll. under reg. 9 of 1833, at Banda, is placed in charge of the Treasury of that district.

Nov. 3.—No. 1,344.—One mo. priv. leave of abs., under Sec. XII. of the Civil Absentee Rules, is granted to Mr. F. M. Bird, mag. and coll. of Jounpore, with effect from the 15th ult., or from the subsequent date of his availing himself of the same.

Nynee Tal, Oct. 31.—No. 4,968a.—The 1 mo. priv. leave granted to Lieut. R. P. Tickell, R.E., asst. engr., Allygurh div., Ganges Canal, by the offic. chief engr. of irrigation works, N.W.P., from

the 20th inst., or from such date as he may avail himself of it, is confirmed.

Allahabad, Nov. 1.—No. 2,449.—Lieut. T. C. Manderson, R.E., asst. engr., Agra div., public works, reported his return on the 21st inst., from the priv. leave granted to him in notification No. 3,046a, dated July 16 last.

Nov. 4.—No. 2,500.—Capt. A. W. Owen, exec. engr., 4th class, having reported his arrival on the 1st inst., was directed to join the Bundelkund Road div., as per G.O. No. 4,174a, dated Sept. 17 last.

Nov. 3.—No. 501.—Mr. E. P. Finn, asst. conservator of forests, Meerut div., rejoined his appt. on the 11th ult., from the 3 mo. priv. leave of abs. granted him in G.O. No. 99n, dated June 20.

Nov. 10.—No. 258a.—It is hereby notified that with the sanction of the Gov. gen. in Council, a Small Cause Court will be established in the dist. of Dehra Doon, from the 1st prox., for the hearing of suits cognizable by such courts under the provisions of Act 42 of 1860.

It is also notified under sec. 2 of the said Act, that the territorial jurisdiction of such court shall include so much of the Dehra Doon district as lies on the left bank of the Jumna, and under sec. 7 of the Act it is notified that the said Court of Small Causes shall be held for six months, viz., from April 1 to Sept. 30 of each year at Mussoorie, and from Oct. 1 to March 31 at Dehra.

Mr. C. F. Hall, asst. supt., Dehra Doon, is invested with the powers of a judge of Small Causes within the jurisdiction of Dehra Doon Small Cause Court.

Nov. 1.—No. 3,419a.—Mr. J. H. Batten, offic. extra judge of the Court of Sudder Dewanny and Nizamut Adawlut, will revert to his appt. as comr. of Agra, from the 1st prox.

No. 3,420a.—Mr. R. Spankie, offic. extra judge of the Court of Sudder Dewanny and Nizamut Adawlut, will revert to his appt. as judge of Jounpore from the 1st prox.

No. 3,421a.—Mr. C. R. Lindsay, offic. extra judge of the Court of Sudder Dewanny and Nizamut Adawlut, will offic. as comr. and civil sess. judge of Goruckpore, with effect from the 1st prox.

Nov. 4.—No. 3,432a.—Mr. C. Twigg, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. at Etah, will revert to his substantive appt. as asst. mag. and coll. from the date on which Mr. Manderson takes charge of his appt. as offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. at Moradabad.

No. 3,433a.—Mr. M. Thornhill, offic. civil and sess. judge of Meerut, is app. to offic. as civil and sess. judge of Furruckabad, with effect from the date on which he is relieved from his present duties by Mr. G. D. Turnbull.

No. 3,436a.—Mr. R. Manderson, offic. mag. and coll. at Moradabad, is app. to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. at that station, with effect from the date on which he is relieved from his present duties by Mr. H. Lushington.

No. 3,441a.—Mr. H. B. Henderson, offic. civil and sess. judge of Mynpoorie, will revert to his substantive appt. as mag. and coll. of Muttra, from the date on which Mr. W. J. B. Carnac returns from leave of absence.

No. 3,442a.—Mr. H. Lushington, mag. and coll. of Bijnour, will offic. as mag. and coll. of Moradabad, from the date on which the leave of absence granted to him by G.O., No. 1,902, of June 29 last may expire.

No. 3,446a.—Mr. H. C. Barstow, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. at Agra, will revert to his substantive appt. as asst. mag. and coll., with effect from the date on which Mr. C. Grant is relieved from his offic. appt. as mag. and coll. of Muttra.

No. 3,448a.—The services of Mr. D. Simson, offic. extra judge of the Court of Sudder Dewanny and Nizamut Adawlut, are replaced at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the foreign dept., from the 1st prox.

Nov. 7.—No. 3,461a.—Mr. H. S. Reid, offic. civil and sess. judge of Furruckabad, is app. to offic. as civil and sess. judge of Allahabad.

Mr. Reid will make over charge of the current duties of his present office to the principal sudder ameen.

No. 3,462a.—Mr. J. R. Best, offic. civil and sess. judge of Jounpore, will offic. as mag. and coll. of Futtelpore, with effect from the date on which he makes over charge of his present duties to Mr. R. Spankie.

No. 3,463a.—Mr. C. Grant, joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 1st grade at Muttra, is app. to be joint mag. and dep. coll. at Etawah.

No. 3,464a.—Mr. E. Macnaghten, joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade, who has reported his return from leave of absence, is app. to be joint mag. and dep. coll. at Allygurh.

No. 3,465a.—Mr. E. Montague, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. at Allygurh, is app. to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. at Humeerpoor.

No. 3,466a.—Mr. W. J. Mulligan, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. at Humeerpoor, is app. to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. at Saharunpore.

Nov. 9.—No. 3,486a.—Mr. C. W. Mellor, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. at Ghazeepore, will revert to his substantive appt. as asst. mag. and coll. with effect from the date on which Mr. E. Macnaghten assumes charge of his duties as joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade at Allygurh.

Nov. 8.—No. 5,068a.—Mr. W. C. Hennessy, civil div. engr., 2nd grade, Agra, revenue div., is re-transferred to the public works dept., and is posted to the Cawnpore and Jhansie Road. Mr. Hennessy will rank as an asst. engr., 1st class, from May 1, 1864, the date of his prom. to civil div. engr., 2nd grade, vide G.O., No. 1,986a, dated 12th idem.

No. 5,069a.—Mr. J. P. Armstrong, asst. engr., 3rd class, Cawnpore and Jhansie Road, is app. civil div. engr. of the 2nd grade, and is posted to the Allahabad (revenue) div.

No. 2,582.—With reference to notification, No. 4,968a, dated 31st ult., Lieut. R. Tickell, asst. engr., Allygurh div., Ganges Canal, availed himself on the 12th idem of the 1 mo. priv. leave granted to him.

Nov. 11.—No. 2,598.—With reference to Govt. of India notification in the public works dept., No. 247, dated Sept. 15 last, Capt. J. H. Dyas, R.E., took over charge of the office of chief engr. irrigation works from Capt. Glover on the 5th inst.

No. 2,601.—Erratum.—For "21st inst." in notification No. 2,449, dated 1st inst., read "21st ult."

Nov. 12.—No. 2,603.—With reference to Govt. of India notification in the public works dept., No. 266, dated Sept. 6, Mr. J. H. Penn, prob. asst. engr., is posted to the 3rd class.

No. 2,606.—Lieut. F. J. Home, R.E., special asst. engr., received charge of the Agra Irrigation Works from Conductor W. Phillips on Sept. 20 last.

Nov. 14.—No. 522.—Maj. F. W. Baugh, dep. conservator of forests in Kumaon and Gurhwal, is vested with the powers of a subord. mag. of the 1st class in all the forests of Rohilkund.

Mr. R. Thompson, asst. conservator of forests in Kumaon, is vested with the same powers in the forests of Bijnour.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR PUNJAB.

Nov. 1.—No. 2,133.—Transfers:—

Mr. J. Frizelle, asst. comr., from the Delhi to the Goorgaon district.

No. 2,114.—Mr. J. G. Ryall, extra asst. comr., from the Sealkote to the Jhung district.

No. 2,115.—Capt. C. V. Jenkins, asst. comr. and offic. supt. of Chumba, to the Jhelum district, to be posted at Pind Dadun Khan, on being relieved by Maj. B. T. Reid.

Oct. 31.—No. 795.—Leave:—Lieut. H. P. Kirke, asst. supt. of police, Goojrat, has obtained leave of absence for 2 mo., on m.c., with effect from the date of his availing himself of the same.

No. 797.—Transfer:—Mr. H. J. Teasdale, asst. dist. supt. of police, from the Shahpoor to the Goojrat district, v. Lieut. H. P. Kirke, proceeded on leave.

Nov. 2.—No. 807.—Errata:—In *Punjab Gazette* orders, Nos. 673 and 831, dated Sept. 1 to 30 respectively, for Mr. H. Haslett, read Mr. W. Haslett.

No. 809.—Leave:—Maj. H. N. Miller, dep. insp. gen. of police, Rawul Pindee circle, has obtained 2 mo. priv. leave, from Dec. 1.

No. 811.—Transfers:—

Lieut. E. C. O'B. Horsford, asst. dist. supt. of police, from Peshawur to Umballa.

No. 812.—Mr. G. L. Kelly, asst. dist. supt. of police, from Rohtuck to Kangra.

No. 813.—Mr. L. Holbrow, offic. asst. dist. supt. of police, from Umballa to Rohtuck, as a temp. arrangement.

Nov. 4.—No. 821.—Leave:—Mr. P. Broadway, asst. dist. supt. of police, Rohtuck, has 1 mo. leave of absence.

Nov. 2.—No. 2,132.—Transfers:—

Maj. A. L. Busk, dep. comr., from the Umballa to the Kurnal district.

No. 2,133.—Maj. H. P. Babbage, asst. comr., from the Jhelum to the Loodiana district.

No. 2,134.—Lieut. C. A. DeKantzow, asst. comr., from the Loodiana to the Ferozepore district.

Nov. 4.—No. 2,138.—The foll. Sind div. order, dated Oct. 5, is confirmed:—

Asst. surg. M. H. Lackersteen, M.D., H.M.'s 54th Punjab N.I., is app. to the civil med. charge at Jullundur, with the concurrence of the civil authorities there, in addition to his other duties, on the departure of Asst. surg. J. Richardson, E-19th R.A., subject to confirmation.

Nov. 3.—No. 302.—The 3rd Punjab inf. regtl. order, dated Sept. 30, directing Lieut. G. E. Macpherson, 4th Goorkha regt., attached temp. to the 3rd Punjab inf., in Eusufzie field force order, dated Oct. 18, 1863, to act as paid doing duty officer to the latter corps, with effect from Oct. 19 to Dec. 5, 1863, is confirmed.

No. 303.—The regtl. order, by the officer comdg. the corps of Guides, dated 5th ult., directing Lieut. A. J. Nicholson, doing duty officer, to act as qmr., in addition to his other duties, until the arrival of Lieut. W. A. Lawrence, is confirmed.

No. 304.—The 5th Punjab inf. regtl. order, dated 11th ult., directing Lieut. R. C. S. C. Tytler, doing duty officer, to act as alj. in room of Lieut. A. W. C. Read, nominated to act as wing officer, is confirmed.

No. 306.—Major H. Boisragon, comdnt. 4th Sikh inf., from Aug. 3 to 18, on private affairs, in ext. of priv. leave. This cancels the leave notified in Punjab orders Nos. 244 and 252, dated respectively Aug. 29 and Sept. 10 last.

No. 307.—Lieut. A. P. Broom, doing duty officer, 5th or Huzara Goorkha batt., from Oct. 2 to 8, in ext. of priv. leave, to enable him to rejoin.

Oct. 29.—No. 3,092.—Mr. J. Grainger, acct., 2nd class, is allowed 14 days' leave, under operation of para. 19 of the uncovenanted service rules, prep. to retiring on pension.

Oct. 31.—No. 3,097.—Major G. A. F. Houchen, asst. engr., Hill Roads div., is allowed 2 mo. leave, from such date as he may avail himself of it, to proceed to the presy., prep. to applying for leave to England, on m.c.

No. 3,127.—Lieut. W. B. Holmes, R.E., exec. engr., Lower Sirhind div., to the Ferozepore div.

Lieut. col. S. H. J. Davies, exec. engr., to the Lower Sirhind div.

Major C. W. Nightingale, exec. engr. (returning from leave to Europe), to the 7th div., Grand Trunk Road.

Capt. G. Craster, exec. engr., Umritsur div., to Mooltan div.

No. 3,128.—With reference to Govt. of India notification No. 266, of Sept. 26, the underment. prob. asst. engr. are posted to the following divs.:

Lieut. A. E. Downing to Delhi div.

Mr. E. A. Sibold to 1st div. Baree Doab Canal.

Mr. J. Macdowell to 4th div. Baree Doab Canal.

No. 3,129.—Lieut. P. Lambert, exec. engr., Peshawur div., is allowed 7 days' priv. leave, viz., from Oct. 22 to 28, in addition to the 2 mo. priv. leave granted in Punjab Govt. notification No. 585c, of July 4.

Nov. 8.—No. 2,162.—Maj. A. L. Busk, dep. comsnnr., Umballa, to offic. as dep. comsnnr. of Kurnal. This cancels *Punjab Gazette* order, No. 2,132, of Nov. 2.

No. 2,164.—Mr. J. D. Tremlett, asst. comsnnr., Jullundur, received charge of the office of comsnnr., Jullundur div., on the afternoon of Nov. 4, from Lieut. col. E. J. Lake.

Nov. 7.—No. 670.—Capt. F. M. H. Forbes, insp. of schools, Rawul Pindee circle, has obtained leave of absence, under the mily. rules, on m.c., with effect from Nov. 15, or such date as he may be relieved of his duties, to Mar. 15.

No. 671.—Lieut. R. A. Armstrong, insp. of schools, frontier circle, to offic. for Capt. Forbes as insp. of Rawul Pindee circle.

Nov. 9.—No. 291.—Mr. H. Percival is app. a mate of the Punjab flotilla on probation, v. Pierce, resigned.

Nov. 10.—No. 2,170.—The serv. of Maj. J. Tickell, late canton. joint magis., Umballa, are, at his own request, placed at the disp. of H.E. the C. in C.

Nov. 11.—No. 2,180.—Mr. R. Spencer, extra asst. comsnnr., from the Hoshiarpore to the Jullundur district.

No. 2,181.—Asst. surg. J. E. T. Aitchison, M.D., is app. civil surg. of Umritsur.

Nov. 5.—No. 3,343.—Mr. J. W. Wright, asst. engr., 3rd div. Lahore and Peshawur road, is allowed three mos. priv. leave, from such date as he may avail himself of it, under the operation of G.O.G.G., No. 3,478, dated July 31.

Nov. 7.—No. 3,345.—Lieut. A. E. Downing, prob. asst. engr., Delhi div., to Peshawur div.

No. 3,346.—With reference to notification by Govt. of India, No. 271, dated Oct. 1, Lieut. C. E. Delafosse, R.A., prob. asst. engr., is posted to the Delhi div.

Nov. 10.—No. 8,469.—Mr. G. W. Owen, asst. engr., 8th div. grand trunk road, is allowed 15 mos. leave to Eur. on m.c., under the operation of para. 11 of the revised unconvananted absentee rules, together with the usual preparatory leave, from such date as he may avail himself of it.

Nov. 7.—No. 310.—The regtl. order, dated 27th ult., by the commandant of the corps of guides, directing Lieut. W. A. Lawrence, doing duty officer, to act as qrmr., in room of Lieut. Hammond, nominated to act as wing officer; and Lieut. A. J. Nicholson, officg. doing duty officer, to act as paid doing duty officer, is confirmed.

Nov. 15.—No. 865.—Mr. W. H. Rattigan, extra asst. comsnnr., to offic. as judge of the Small Cause court at Delhi during such time as Mr. Fitzpatrick is absent on special duty.

No. 878.—Lieut. R. P. Nisbet, asst. comsnnr., officg. as judge of the Small Cause court at Umritsur, from the 13th to the 31st Oct., both days inclusive.

No. 866.—Mr. W. Ward, asst. supt. of police, officg. as district supt. at Hoshiarpur, from July 2 to Sept. 1.

No. 867.—Mr. G. L. Kelly, asst. district supt. of police, Kangra, is app. to do duty at Simla, as a temp. arrangement.

No. 876.—The preparatory leave of absence granted to Capt. R. M. Sewell, district supt. of police, in *Punjab Gazette* orders, Nos. 481 and 510, dated 5th and 16th July last, respectively, is hereby cancelled.

Nov. 14.—No. 678.—The leave of absence on m.c. granted in *Punjab Gazette* order, No. 670, dated 7th inst., to Capt. F. M. H. Forbes, insp. of schools, Rawul Pindee circle, is to have effect from the 7th of this mo., on which date Lieut. Armstrong relieved him of his duties.

Nov. 15.—No. 2,203.—The privilege leave of absence for three mos., granted by the Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop of Calcutta to the Rev. J. F. Sharpe, chaplain of Subathoo, from Nov. 1, or such date as he may avail himself of the same, is confirmed.

No. 2,206.—Lieut. A. F. P. Harcourt, asst. comsnnr., from the Kohat to the Delhi district.

No. 2,207.—Lieut. R. T. M. Lang, asst. comsnnr., from the Delhi to the Jhelum district.

No. 2,228.—Mr. W. M. Young, asst. comsnnr., from the Jhelum to the Kohat district.

Nov. 16.—No. 897.—With reference to *Punjab Gazette* order, No. 1,272, dated June 27 last, it is hereby notified that the confirmation of Maj. M. B. Whish in the office of canton. joint magis., Delhi, is to have effect from April 14, on which date it was vacated by Maj. Howard.

Nov. 18.—No. 911.—Lieut. J. Wimberley, district supt. of police, Goordaspoor, has obtained leave of absence for eight weeks, prep. to applying for furl. to Eur. on m.c., with effect from such date as he may avail himself of the same.

Nov. 16.—No. 2,212.—Lieut. E. Raikes, asst. comsnnr., Goojranwalla, officg. as dep. comsnnr. of that district from Sept. 16 to Oct. 10.

No. 2,216.—Mr. H. E. Perkins, asst. comsnnr., from the Sealkote to the Delhi district.

Oct. 20.—No. 2,768.—Mr. H. Scott, special asst. engr., 2nd div. Lahore and Peshawur roads, is allowed three mos. leave, on m.c., from such date as he may avail himself of it.

This cancels the two mos. leave on private affairs sanctioned in *Punjab Govt. order*, No. 1,649, dated Aug. 1.

Nov. 15.—No. 3,582.—Mr. J. Kennelly is app. a clerk of the 13th grade, and Meean Tajooddeen a clerk of the 14th grade in the office of the controller and examiner public works accounts, Punjab.

Nov. 16.—No. 3,636.—*Erratum*.—In *Gazette order*, No. 312, of Oct. 31, posting Mr. E. A. Sibold, prob. asst. engr., to the Baree Doab Canal, for first div., read second div.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Head Quarters, Simla, Oct. 15.—The following Presidency division orders are confirmed:—

Dated 16th ult.—Directing Asst. surg. G. K. Poole, lately returned from furlough to Europe, to assume medical charge of 25th regt. N.I.

Dated 19th ult.—Appg. Lieut. J. T. Harris, staff corps, to offic. as wing officer to 31st regt. N.I., v. Capt. F. J. Stephenson, transferred to 7th regt. N.I.

Orders confirmed:—

By the officer comg. royal art., Saugor district, dated April 18 last, appg. Lieut. G. W. Thomson, royal art., to perform the duties of adjutant to the royal art., Saugor district, in addition to his other duties, v. Lieut. Annand, proceeded on leave, with effect from 15th idem.

By the officer comg. 36th foot, dated Aug. 11 last,

appg. Lieut. R. B. C. Daubeny to offic. as adjt., and Ensign W. V. Ellis to carry on the duties during the absence on leave of that officer, v. Lieut. H. G. Webb.

By the officer comg. 89th foot, dated Aug. 21 last, appg. Lieut. A. W. Price to act as qrmr., in addition to his other duties, v. Ensign W. Sibbald.

By the officer comg. sappers and miners, dated 3rd ult., appg. Lieut. and adjt. P. Murray to offic. as comdt., in addition to his other duties, with effect from 1st idem, during the absence on special duty of Major F. R. Maunsell, comdt.

By the officer comg. 8th regt. N.I., dated 8th ult., appg. Lieut. C. McD. Skene attached to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Lieut. G. F. M. Phillips, app. qrmr.

By officer comg. 28th regt. N.I., dated 15th ult., appg. Major A. Robinson, 2nd in com. and wing officer, to offic. as comdt., v. Col. H. F. Dunford, c.b., comdt.

Oct. 18.—Capt. E. Bradford, late 23rd N.I., is, on expiration of his present leave, directed to do gen. duty at Meerut.

H.R.H. the Field Marshal Commanding in Chief has been pleased to grant leave of absence to the undermentioned officers:—

7th Foot.—Capt. N. D. Robinson (1st batt.), from July 25, 1864, to March 27, 1865, to remain in England, on m.c.

36th Foot.—Lieut. W. Neal (adj.), from July 15, 1864, to Jan. 29, 1865, to remain in England, on m.c.

81st Foot.—Ensign M. S. Wynne, from July 22, 1864, to Jan. 29, 1865, to remain in England, on m.c.

88th Foot.—Lieut. W. S. Richardson, from July 22, 1864, to Feb. 5, 1865, to remain in England, on m.c.

89th Foot.—Capt. B. Helme, from July 15, 1864, to March 27, 1865, to remain in England, on m.c.

Oct. 19.—The undermentioned officers are app. to do duty as specified:—

Lieut. A. F. Gerard, late 3rd Eur. regt., with 26th regt. N.I.

Capt. A. H. B. Bruce, staff corps, is permitted to do gen. duty at Roorkee.

Capt. C. D. S. Clarke, late 73rd N.I., to continue to do duty at the Landour convalescent depot, during ensuing cold season.

Lieut. F. H. Inglefield, doing duty officer 4th regt. N.I., to do duty at the Landour convalescent depot, for 1 year, from 15th inst.

Capt. S. Budd (unattached), ridingmaster C brig. R.H.A., to do gen. duty at Meerut on departure of head qrs. C brig. R.H.A.

The undermentioned officers and warrant officers passed the prescribed colloquial examination on the 15th ult.:—

Asst. surg. R. C. Lever, m.b., 7th hussars.

Staff Asst. surg. C. J. Weir, m.b., attached to R.A., at Rawul Pindee.

Sub Conductor J. O'Brien, attached to the commissariat dept.

H.E. the C. in C. is pleased to appoint Capt. R. Blackall, 1st batt. 7th foot, to the com. of the Fort of Attack, v. Capt. E. W. Cumming, 79th foot, res.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Artillery.—Capt. A. Sievwright (G batty. 11th brig.), from Sept. 21 to Oct. 21, to Calcutta, on m.c.; Col. D. Reid (24th brig.), from Oct. 14 to Dec. 31, in ext., to visit the Cossyah Hills, on m.c.

7th Drag. Gds.—Cornet T. H. M. Brown, from Sept. 13 to Oct. 15, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Simla, on m.c.

36th Foot.—Capt. W. C. Hill, from Oct. 11 to Nov. 30, in ext., to remain at Simla, on m.c.

Under instructions from the Horse Guards, Brev. major A. C. Warner, 20th hussars, is directed to proceed immediately to England, at the public expense, for the purpose of joining the regimental depot.

Major J. P. Clarkson, late 44th N.I., is, on account of his health, permitted to continue doing duty at the Landour depot, during the winter and ensuing hot season.

Brev. major D. MacFarlan, F batty. R.H. brig., is app. to offic. as brigade major to the inspector of artillery, northern div., during absence on leave of Major J. Hills, v.c., or until further orders.

Official notification has been received that the undermentioned officers of the rifle brigade, recently promoted, have been posted to the 2nd batt.:—

Capt. W. H. Deedes.

Lieut. T. L. M. Innes.

Colour sergt. J. Hoey, local inf. compy., employed as qrmr. sergt. of Darjeeling depot, is transf. to the unattached list, with effect from Jan. 16, 1865.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Artillery.—Capt. A. Sievwright (G batty. 11th brig.), to England, via either route, on m.c.

34th Foot.—Ensign J. C. Cowslade, to England, via either route, on m.c.

71st Foot.—Capt. W. F. Segrave, from Sept. 1 to Oct. 15, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

91st Foot.—Capt. W. P. Gurney, from date of embarkation, to England, for 17 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

Late 4th Eur. Regt.—Lieut. A. B. E. Thomas (doing duty with 22nd N.I.), from July 20 to Oct. 20, to remain at Simla, on m.c.

Late 22nd N.I.—Capt. W. J. Hicks (comdg. local compy. Eur. inf.), from Sept. 14, 1864, to Jan. 14, 1865, to visit Moradabad and Nyne Tal, on m.c.

Med. Dept.—Asst. surg. R. H. Perkins (attached to 26th regt. N.I.), from Oct. 9 to Dec. 9, to visit Presidency, prep. to applying for furl. to Europe.

Oct. 20.—The undermentioned officers were declared by the Board of Examiners at Fort William, on the 3rd inst., to have passed the prescribed examinations in the native languages, as specified below:—

Major E. W. E. Howard, staff corps, for high proficiency in Oordoo.

In Hindustani.

Lieut. J. A. Armstrong, R.E.

Lieut. W. A. J. Wallace, R.E.

Ensign R. T. Birch, 1st batt. 20th foot.

Capt. H. Cowell, 27th foot.

Ensign H. M. M. Wood, 35th foot.

Lieut. J. L. Ferris, late 12th N.I.

Lieut. C. J. Durand, late 4th N.I.

Lieut. J. F. FitzG. Cologan, late 22nd N.I.

Lieut. T. N. Baker, late 31st N.I.

Lieut. H. E. Eliot, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. R. D. Beeston.

The appointment of Major E. W. E. Howard, staff corps, to do gen. duty at Barrackpore, will be considered to have effect from April 14 last.

Capt. H. Campbell, staff corps, attached to 12th N.I., is app. to do gen. duty at Moradabad, and directed to join on expiration of his leave.

Capt. S. Boulderson, late 5th Eur. cav., is app. to do duty with 7th Bengal cav., proceeding on field service, and directed to join at the public expense.

Lieut. W. Loch, gen. list, inf., is directed to do duty with 7th hussars, for the purpose of being instructed in the duties of a cavalry officer.

Lieut. M. S. Saunders, 19th hussars, is permitted to continue doing duty with 20th hussars, pending a reply to his application for transfer to that regt.

The following medical officers are directed to proceed at once to join the Dooar field force, and report themselves to Deputy Inspector gen. of Hospitals J. Naismith, m.d., appointed thereto:—

Asst. surg. A. FitzGerald, 104th foot.

Asst. surg. M. J. S. Perreau, E batty. F brig. R.H.A.

In continuation of G.O. of 6th inst., Lieut. J. A. Armstrong, R.E., is directed to proceed at once to Darjeeling, to assume command of a compy. of the Sebundy sappers.

Staff Asst. surg. T. S. Barry will, at expiration of his sick leave, proceed to join the E batty. 19th brig. R.A., at Jullundur, relieving Asst. surg. J. Richardson, m.b., whose services are urgently required by the offic. principal inspector gen., medical department.

Staff Asst. surg. C. A. Maunsell, m.d., attached to 82nd foot, and recently app. to R.A., will take med. charge of the Armstrong mounted train batty., joining it at Umballah.

Asst. surg. J. Richardson, m.b., civil, Jullundur, is, with the concurrence of the Punjab Govt., attached to Dooar field force, and directed to proceed forthwith and join at the public expense.

With the sanction of Govt., Hospital surgeon R. L. Guinane, unattached list, is re-transferred from the Kidderpore Hospital to the public works dept., and will report himself to the sec. to the Govt. of Bengal in that dept.

Leave of absence:—

46th Foot.—Col. A. G. Vesey, from Oct. 15 to Oct. 20, in ext.

93rd Foot.—Capt. E. H. D. Macpherson, from Sept. 10 to Oct. 31, to Simla and port of embarkation; thence to England, for 15 mo., from date of embarkation. This cancels the leave granted in G.O. of Aug. 26.

Oct. 25.—Lieut. R. W. Sartorius, late 72nd N.I., is app. to do duty with 14th Bengal cav., proceeding on field service, and directed to join.

Orders confirmed:—

Peshawur div. order, dated June 14 last, appg. Lieut. E. M. L. Marriott, doing duty officer, 41st N.I., to offic. as adjt. of Fort Attack, v. Lieut. D. Darroch, late 16th N.I., proc. on leave.

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Mooltan garrison order, dated 19th ult., appg. Asst. surg. J. H. Sylvester, r.g.s., Bombay estab., 11th Bengal cav., to assume med. charge of the brigade staff, v. Asst. surg. J. Bonnyman, m.b., 89th foot, res.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Horse Artillery.—Lieut. A. H. Murray (D batty. C brig.), from Aug. 15 to Dec. 15, to visit Simla, on m.c.; Lieut. E. T. Hume (D batty. F brig.), from Sept. 13 to Oct. 31, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Cashmere, on m.c.

Royal Artillery.—Lieut. J. A. Kelso (B batty. 14th brig.), from date of embarkation from Bombay, to England, on m.c.; Qrmer. J. McNamara (22nd brig.), from Sept. 27 to Nov. 27, to Calcutta, on m.c.

2nd Drag. Gds.—Capt. G. F. Ormsby, from Oct. 15, 1864, to April 14, 1865, to visit Calcutta, to study the native languages.

3rd Drag. Gds.—Lieut. G. F. Robertson, from date of embarkation, to England, for 15 mo.

1st Foot.—Major J. P. Gore (1st batt.), from Dec. 30, 1864, to June 30, 1865, in ext., to remain in England.

4th Foot.—Lieut. E. M. Kemp (1st batt.), from date of embarkation, to England, for 15 mo.

19th Foot.—Lieut. R. G. Traill (1st batt. instructor of musketry), from Aug. 30 to Aug. 31, in ext. of priv. leave, to enable him to rejoin. This cancels the leave granted in G.O. July 26.

34th Foot.—Surg. M. F. Manifold, from Sept. 12 to Sept. 30, to visit Nynee Tal.

51st Foot.—Capt. C. J. Hughes, from date of leaving regt., for 30 days, to port of embarkation.

71st Foot.—Surg. W. Simpson, m.b., from date of leaving regt., for 3 mo., to visit Murree, on m.c.

Oct. 26.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

36th Foot.—Capt. M. C. Morris, from the 54th foot, to be capt., v. Newbolt, who exch.; dated Oct. 4.

54th Foot.—Capt. E. D. Newbolt, from the 36th foot, to be capt., v. Morris, who exch.; Oct. 4.

108th Foot.—Lieut. F. W. Bedingfeld, to be adjt., v. Shaw, who resigns that appt.; dated Oct. 7.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appts.:—

81st N.I.—Lieut. G. D. Reid, gen. list, to be doing duty officer, v. Lieut. Graham, app. to 2nd Sikh inf.; dated Oct. 4.

83rd N.I.—Lieut. E. M. L. Marriott, doing duty officer 41st N.I., to be qrmr., v. Parker, whose services have been placed at the disp. of the milty. dept., and to offic. as adjt. dar. the absence on leave of Lieut. Armstrong; dated Oct. 4. Lieut. A. F. Jones, doing duty officer, to offic. as qrmr.; dated Oct. 4.

11th N.I.—Lieut. C. M. Bushby, doing duty, to be adjt., v. Capt. Ripley, prom.; dated Oct. 4.

17th N.I.—Capt. W. F. Shaw, late 43rd N.I., to offic. as 2nd in command and wing officer; dated Oct. 10.

41st N.I.—Lieut. W. F. S. Perry, attached, to be doing duty officer, v. Marriott, app. qrmr. to 33rd N.I.; dated Oct. 10.

Official notification has been received that the following officers have been removed to the battalions of the regts. specified opposite their names:—

7th Foot.—Lieut. E. W. C. Lloyd, to 2nd batt. Rifle Brigade.—Lieut. R. H. L. Anstruther, to — batt.

H.R.H. the Field Marshal Commanding in Chief has been pleased to approve of the undermentioned officers of the Rifle Brigade exchanging to the battalions specified opposite their names, which they are to join, without delay, at their own expense:—

Ensigns A. Arbuthnot and M. B. W. Taylor, to 3rd batt.

Ensign F. G. D. Acland, to 4th batt.

Ensign A. E. S. Marryat, to 1st batt.

Official notification has been received that the undermentioned officers, recently promoted, have been posted to the battalions of the regts. specified opposite their names:—

7th Foot.—Lieut. W. E. Roberts, to 1st batt.

11th Foot.—Lieut. F. F. Gibbons, to 1st batt.

Rifle Brigade.—Lieut. A. Ames, to 2nd batt.

Oct. 27.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments:—

8rd Bengal Cav.—Lieut. G. W. Willock, doing duty officer, to be 3rd squadron officer, vice Lieut. Lindsay, app. to the 1st Bengal cav.; dated Oct. 11.

5th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. H. A. Shakespear, 3rd squadron officer, to offic. as 2nd squadron officer, during the absence on m.c. of Capt. Osborn; dated Oct. 11. Lieut. A. C. Anderson, doing duty officer, to offic. as 3rd squadron officer; dated Oct. 11.

15th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. B. N. Smith, adj. 84th N.I., to offic. as 2nd squadron officer, during the absence on leave of Capt. Musgrave; dated Oct. 11.

16th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. W. B. Barwell, adj., to be 2nd squadron officer; dated Oct. 11. Lieut. R. M. Clifford, 3rd squadron officer, to be adjt., v. Lieut. Barwell; dated Oct. 11. Lieut. H. C. Kemble, doing duty officer, 2nd Bengal cav., to be 3rd squadron officer, v. Lieut. Clifford, app. adjt.; dated Oct. 11.

34th N.I.—Lieut. R. H. Salkeld, offic. adj. 88th N.I., to offic. as adjt., v. Lieut. Smith, nominated acting 2nd squadron officer to 15th Bengal cav.; dated Oct. 12.

40th N.I.—Lieut. H. O. Cumberlege, qrmr., to offic. as adjt., v. Lieut. Gataker, on sick leave to Europe; dated Oct. 4. Lieut. C. L. Prendergast, doing duty officer, to offic. as qrmr.; dated Oct. 4. Lieut. C. Young, gen. list, inf., attached to the 32nd foot, to offic. as doing duty officer; dated Oct. 4. Lieut. H. T. Larkins, gen. list, inf., is transf. for duty from the 7th to the 38th N.I.

The following postings of ordnance officers are directed:—

1st class Comsy. Capt. H. R. Brownlow, R.A., recently returned from furl., to the arsenal at Allahabad.

2nd class Comsy. Capt. J. C. Griffiths, R.A., to the Peshawur magazine.

3rd class Comsy. Lieut. N. D. Garrett, R.A., to the arsenal at Ferozepore.

That portion of Oude div. order, dated June 28 last, relating to Surg. major J. Naismith, m.d., 107th foot, confirmed in G.O. July 25 last, is hereby cancelled.

Capt. G. Wedderburne, 1st batt. 7th foot, is directed to remain in com. of detachment at Dugshaie, for the protection of the prison and magazine, on the departure of the regt. and till the arrival of 101st foot.

The Peshawur div. order, dated the 19th ult., directing 2nd Capt. C. McW. Mercer, D. batty., F. brig. royal horse art., to proceed to Lahore at the public expense, in view to his appt. as curator of the Exhibition of Manufactures of Regimental Workshops, is, with the sanction of Govt., confirmed.

Leave of absence:—

79th Foot.—Ensign H. F. Rowley, from Aug. 25 to Nov. 25, on m.c., to visit Murree and Cashmere.

82nd Foot.—Ensign G. M. Abbott, from Sept. 20 to Oct. 14, in ext. of priv. leave, to visit Mussoorie.

102nd Foot.—Major P. A. Brown, from date of embarkation, to England, to appear before a med. board.

3rd Batt. Rifle Brig.—Lieut. F. B. Eagle, from date of leaving regt., for 6 weeks, to visit Murree on m.c.

Bengal Inf.—Lieut. col. S. B. Faddy, from Oct. 15, to Nov. 7, in ext., to remain at Simla. Lieut. col. R. N. Raikes, from Nov. 15, 1864, to March 15, 1865, prepy. to applying for furl. to Eur.

Late 20th N.I.—Lieut. C. R. Cock (doing duty 43rd N.I.), from July 10, to Oct. 15, to visit Shillong and Cossiah Hills, on m.c.

Late 39th N.I.—Maj. J. N. Thomas, from Nov. 1, to Dec. 31, prepy. to applying for furl. in India.

Late 41st N.I.—Lieut. A. Vallings (doing duty 20th N.I.), from Oct. 15, to Dec. 30, in ext. to remain at Calcutta, for the purpose of passing in the native languages.

Late 59th N.I.—Lieut. A. Whiting (doing duty 8th N.I.), from Sept. 21, to Dec. 31, to visit Nynee Tal, on m.c.

Gen. List Inf.—Lieut. J. G. T. Carruthers (doing duty 35th N.I.), from Oct. 15, 1864, to Jan. 15, 1865, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Calcutta, for the purpose of undergoing an examination in the native languages.

Oct. 28.—7th Drag. Grds.—W. C. Forrest, from Oct. 15, to Oct. 31, in ext., to remain at Mussoorie. Lieut. H. Bulkeley, from date of embarkation, to England, by either route, on m.c.

1st Foot.—Lieut. L. Norman (1st batt.), from date of embarkation at Bombay, to England overland, on m.c.

Late 31st N.I.—Lieut. T. N. Baker (doing duty 2nd N.I.), from Oct. 15 to Nov. 15, in ext. of priv. leave, to Calcutta, for the purpose of passing in the native languages.

Late 55th N.I.—Lieut. C. H. Palmer (doing duty 10th N.I.), from Oct. 15 to Dec. 15, in ext., to Calcutta, for the purpose of passing in the native languages.

Medical Dept.—Surg. maj. J. Bowhill, m.d. (C brig. R.H.A.), from Sept. 9 to Oct. 15, in ext. of priv. leave, to Simla, on m.c.

Vet. Dept.—Vet. surg. A. Turnbull (art. div. Rawul Pindee), from Oct. 9 to Nov. 30, in ext. of priv. leave, to Murree.

Oct. 29.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

48th Foot.—Lieut. F. B. Eagle, from 3rd batt. rifle brigade, to be lieut., v. Hume, who exch.; dated Oct. 10.

3rd Batt. Rifle Brigade.—Lieut. C. W. Hume, from 48th foot, to be lieut., v. Eagle, who exch.; dated Oct. 10.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following promotions until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

76th Foot.—Ensign G. D. Cookson to be lieut., without purch., v. Harding, dec.; dated Aug. 1.

77th Foot.—Lieut. H. M. Bengough to be capt., by purch., v. Staines, who retires; dated Oct. 10.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments:—

Murree Convalescent Depot.—Major E. Chippendall, 1st batt. 19th foot, to be comdnt., v. Major Brown, who relinquishes that appointment; dated Oct. 15.

1st N.I.—Capt. F. J. Craigie, adjt., to offic. as wing officer; dated Oct. 4. Lieut. G. Atkins, doing duty officer, to offic. as adjt.; dated Oct. 4.

18th N.I.—Lieut. J. R. Marett, late 2nd N.I., to offic. as qrmr., v. Lieut. Venour, appointed to 3rd Goorkha regt.; dated Oct. 4.

2nd Goorkha Regt.—Capt. G. G. Cunliffe, wing officer 12th N.I., to be wing officer, v. Capt. Macintyre, appointed 2nd in com. and wing officer; dated Oct. 14. Capt. Cunliffe will remain and do duty with 12th N.I., till operations are concluded in Bhootan.

3rd Goorkha Regt.—Lieut. E. Venour, qrmr. 18th N.I., to be offic. qrmr., v. Lieut. Sir G. L. M. Parker, Bart., proceeding on sick leave to England; dated Oct. 4.

Asst. surg. R. P. Ferguson, R.A., attached to R.A. div., Allahabad, will take charge of No. 5 batty. 25th brig. R.A., ordered from Agra on service.

Staff Asst. surg. R. W. Troup, m.b., attached to R.A. div. at Benares, will take med. charge of No. 6 batty. 25th brig. R.A., ordered on service.

Asst. surg. C. Ricketts, recently appointed to the R.A., will proceed without delay, at public expense, to Meean Meer, where his services are urgently required for tempy. med. charge of E batty. F brig. R.H.A., till return of Surg. H. Cape.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Artillery (Brigade Staff).—Major J. Hills, v.c. (brigade major, Northern div.), from date of being relieved, to Calcutta, for 1 mo., on m.c.

18th Foot.—Capt. R. H. Daniel (1st batt.), from date of embarkation at Bombay, to England, for 12 mo.

19th Foot.—Lieut. E. W. Evans (1st batt.), from date of embarkation, to England, for 17 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

54th Foot.—Capt. J. W. Hughes, from date of embarkation, to England, for 17 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

82nd Foot.—Lieut. J. Johnston, from date of leaving regt., to Calcutta, for 1 mo., on m.c.

91st Foot.—Lieut. J. E. Buller, from Oct. 15, 1864, to Feb. 15, 1865, to Calcutta.

Oct. 31.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments:—

9th N.I.—Lieut. F. S. Carr, attached to 10th N.I., to offic. as doing duty officer; dated Oct. 4.

24th N.I.—Lieut. J. M. Trotter, doing duty officer, to offic. as qrmr.; dated Oct. 4.

The following Presidency division orders are confirmed:—

Dated 28th ult.—Appointing Asst. surg. J. G. Grant, 48th foot, to assume med. charge of Dum-Dum station hospital and Cossipore gun foundry establishment, in addition to his other duties, as a tempy. measure, v. Surg. J. E. Tuson, m.d., F.R.C.S., appointed elsewhere.

Dated 4th inst.—Directing Lieut. G. D. Reid, gen. list, inf., to do duty with 31st N.I., with effect from 30th ult.

Dated 7th inst.—Directing Lieut. F. V. H. Sperling, late 5th Eur. regt., to do duty with 31st N.I.

Dated 10th inst.—Directing Lieut. R. D. Beeston, gen. list, inf., to do duty with 31st N.I.

The following Lahore division order is confirmed:—

Dated 28th ult.—Appointing Surg. G. H. Daly, m.b., 19th Bengal cav., to med. charge of the divisional and brigade staff, with effect from 1st idem, during the absence of Surg. H. Cape, or till further orders.

ADDITIONAL ARTILLERY RELIEFS.

Nov. 1.—The following additional movements of R.A. in relief are ordered:—

No. 1 batty. 24th brig., from Govindgurh to Mooltan, on termination of annual practice.

No. 4 batty. 24th brig., from Attock to Allahabad, on relief.

No. 6 batty. 24th brig., from Mooltan to Govindgurh, on relief.

No. 4 batty. 25th brig., from Allahabad to Attock on Nov. 2, by rail to Delhi, thence route march.

The batteries to move under divisional arrangements.

The undermentioned officers are appointed to do gen. duty at Meerut:—

Col. G. P. Whish, staff corps, doing duty at Benares.

Major G. A. St. P. Fooks, staff corps, doing duty 48th foot.

Lieut. E. O. V. Haldane, 42nd foot, having passed the prescribed examination, is declared qualified for the grade of probationary asst. engr., in the public works dept.

The 6 mo. leave to Calcutta, to study the native languages, granted to Lieut. E. M. Forbes, gen. list, inf., attached to 18th N.I., in G.O. April 14 last, is hereby cancelled at his own request.

The extension of leave, from Sept. 23 to 15th ult., to remain at Cashmere, granted to Lieut. B. Williams, staff corps, adj. 6th Bengal cav., in G.O. 3rd ult., is cancelled at his own request.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the Officer commanding sappers and miners, dated Aug. 20 last, appointing Lieut. W. J. Engle- due, R.E., to command of No. 4 compy. and charge of pontoon train, with effect from July 14 last, there being no qualified officer available, v. Lieut. E. G. Clayton, proceeded on leave to Europe.

By the Officer commanding 17th Bengal cav., dated Sept. 12 last, making the following appointments during absence on leave of Lieut. and Adj. G. H. W. Hoggan:—

Lieut. T. B. M. Glascock, 3rd squadron officer, to offic. as adj.

Lieut. E. G. Newnham, doing duty officer, to offic. as 3rd squadron officer.

Seetapore station order, dated 5th ult., directing Surg. M. F. Manifold, 34th foot, to assume medical charge of C batty. 11th brig. R.A., in addition to his other duties, during absence of Asst. surg. J. W. Rimmer.

Benares station order, dated 8th ult., appointing Asst. surg. A. Lewer, B batty, C brig. R.H.A., to assume med. charge of divisional and brigade staff and station staff hospital, v. Surg. major J. Hilliard, M.D. and F.R.C.S.L., 30th N.I., proceeded with his regt.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Horse Artillery.—Capt. G. G. J. Campbell (C batty. D brig.), from date of embarkation, to England overland, on m.c.

34th Foot.—Ensign H. W. Phillips, from Oct. 13 to Nov. 13, to Calcutta, on m.c.

93rd Foot.—Asst. surg. P. C. Baxter, M.B., from Oct. 1 to Oct. 31, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Murree and Cashmere.

94th Foot.—Major E. S. Mercer, from Sept. 29 to Nov. 28, to visit the Hills north of Simla, on m.c.

Rifle Brigade.—Capt. Lord W. J. H. Ruthven (3rd batt.), from Sept. 10, 1864, to Feb. 28, 1865, in ext., to England.

Late 4th Eur. Regt.—Lieut. A. B. E. Thomas (doing duty 22nd N.I.), from Oct. 20 to Nov. 1, in ext., to remain at Simla.

Medical Dept.—Deputy Inspector gen. of Hospitals R. B. Kinsey, F.R.C.S. (Dinapore circle), from Nov. 1 to Dec. 1, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Simla, on m.c.

Veterinary Dept.—Vet. surg. J. R. Hoey (C brig. R.H.A.), from Oct. 15, 1864, to July 23, 1865, in ext., to remain at Simla, on m.c.

Military Letters.

MEDICAL OFFICERS IN H.M.'S MADRAS FORCES.

No. 873.—With reference to Govt. G.O. No. 507 of June 20, the following military letter from the Right hon. the Secy. of State for India is published for gen. information:—

From H.M.'s Secy. of State for India, to H.E. the Right hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council (military).—No. 292, dated Sept. 23.

Sir,—Referring to my despatch dated May 16 last, No. 152, I have to inform you that the reference to the Royal Warrant of Oct. 1, 1858, in the 15th para. of that despatch, was made by inadvertence. The Royal Warrant intended to be referred to was the Warrant of Jan. 13, 1860, which alone

applies to the medical officers of H. M.'s forces.

The relative rank in both Warrants is the same, but, in order to prevent any misunderstanding on the subject, I should wish intimation to the above effect to be immediately made in gen. orders in India.

Order books to be corrected, in accordance with the foregoing.

CAPTAIN J. P. BASEVI.

No. 876.—The following military letter from the Right hon. the Secy. of State for India is published for gen. information:—

From H.M.'s Secy. of State for India, to H.E. the Right hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council (military).—No. 280, dated Sept. 6.

Sir,—With reference to the last para. of my despatch No. 271 of Aug. 23, I have to inform your Excy. that a communication has been received from Captain J. P. Basevi, R.E., enclosing a letter from the president of the Royal Society, from which it appears that the apparatus, which is to be placed at the disposal of the Indian Government, in connection with the pendulum experiments to be undertaken in India, will not be ready for use and shipment to India until 3 months hence.

Under these circumstances the furl. of Capt. Basevi has been extended for 2 months, Indian pay and allowances being granted him during such extension, and the additional period counting as service in India.

He has been informed that the retention of his appt. will be guaranteed to him for this additional period.

SALARIES TO OFFICERS.

No. 882.—The following military letter from the Right hon. the Secy. of State for India is published for general information, and the decision therein laid down will have effect from the 7th inst., the date of receipt of Sir C. Wood's despatch:—

From H.M.'s Secy. of State for India to H.E. the Right hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council (military).—No. 296, dated Sept. 29.

Sir,—I have considered in Council your military letter dated July 30 last, No. 260, regarding the salaries to be assigned to the officers in command of the Punjab irregular force and the Hyderabad contingent.

I am of opinion, upon a full consideration of the importance of these commands, they should be considered as 1st class brigades, and in place of the consolidated allowance hitherto drawn by the officers in chief command of these forces, they should receive the allowances of a 1st class brigadier gen. in addition to the staff corps pay of rank.

Financial Reform.

Nov. 10.—No. 3,169.—Read again the resolution of the Government of India on the report of the Commissioners of Inquiry into the Indian accounts upon the mode of conducting the business of the Financial Department, and of the offices of account and audit attached to that department, dated Oct. 4, No. 2,805.

RESOLUTION.—As it has been proposed to the Secretary of State to detain Mr. Foster during such time as may be necessary to give effect to the improved system of account and audit recommended in his and Mr. Whiffin's report, it becomes necessary to lay down the course to be followed in order to carry out, without delay, and with the utmost efficiency, such change as may be sanctioned in the system of account and audit in the Financial Department.

2. Mr. Foster will be charged with the duty of preparing the detailed instructions and forms of account which will be necessary to bring the new arrangement into practical operation.

3. The Accountant General to the Government of India, and the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General for Bengal, will co-operate with Mr. Foster, and give him every assistance they may be able to afford, but it will be desirable to place, specially under Mr. Foster, a staff of officers, whose duty it will be to prepare, under his directions, such rules and regulations and such books of account as may be required under the revised system.

4. The officers who will be employed in this service are—

1. Mr. Sandeman, Civil Paymaster.

2. Mr. Wyatt, First Assistant to the Auditor General.

3. Mr. Turner, Assistant to the Commissioner.

4. Mr. A. C. Foster, of the Financial Department.

5. These, with a limited number of intelligent clerks, to be selected, as far as possible, from those

now employed in the financial office, will be sufficient for the preliminary steps which will have to be taken in anticipation of the complete system being commenced on the 1st May next.

6. It is not intended to pass any final decision on the recommendations contained in the Report until the opinions of the Local Governments and Administrations shall have been received; but it is desired to put these recommendations into a practical form, capable of immediate application, and to make such other subsidiary arrangements as can with advantage be adopted. The Governor-general in Council also deems it advisable that the revised system should, with the concurrence of the Lieut.-governor, be experimentally introduced at Calcutta and throughout the Government of Bengal, in order that a model may be obtained for the rest of India. Every official instruction that may be necessary for giving effect to this resolution will be issued through the financial secretary's office.

Ordered, that a copy be transmitted to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal, with an expression of the wish of the Governor-general in Council that every necessary assistance may be given to Mr. Foster in the execution of the important duty which has been entrusted to him.

Pay and Allowances of Medical Officers.

Nov. 26.—No. 953.—There being considerable misunderstanding with respect to the pay and allowances to be drawn by medical officers under the instructions contained in the despatch of the Secretary of State published in Government G.O. No. 507 of June 30, 1864, the following rules are laid down for observance in the three Presidencies, with effect from the date laid down in Government G.O. No. 508 of the same day, and pending further reference to the Secretary of State:—

I. All medical officers, whether of the British or Indian forces, who were in receipt of consolidated salaries at the date of publication of the G.O., or who may have subsequently succeeded, or may hereafter succeed, to situations the salaries of which are consolidated, will draw such consolidated salary, and no more.

When so situated as to be entitled to draw only half staff salary, such officers will draw the pay of their rank, according to para. 10 of the despatch of the Secretary of State, and half the difference between that sum and the amount of the consolidated salary.

In such case the officer acting will also draw the new rate of pay for his rank, and the half difference remaining undrawn by the permanent incumbent.

II. Surgeon majors serving with British regiments will draw pay according to length of service, as laid down in para. 10, with the addition of the horse allowance sanctioned in para. 11, if attached to regiments of cavalry or to brigades of horse artillery, and of Rs. 30 if attached to brigades of field artillery.

III. Surgeons of British regiments who were in medical charge of regiments of British cavalry and infantry on June 20, 1864, will be allowed to continue to receive the pay and allowances then drawn.

Their claim to the old rate will not be invalidated by their proceeding on leave in India, and ceasing for a time to draw staff salary or head money. During such period they will draw the new rates of pay of their rank, and on return to their corps receive their old emoluments.

When promoted to surgeon major they will draw only the pay of that grade.

IV. Surgs. of British regts. who were not in charge of corps on June 20, are only entitled to the new rates of pay of their grade, whether absent or present, with the prescribed horse allowance, if attached to cavalry or horse artillery, and Rs. 30 horse allowance, if attached to the field artillery.

V. Asst. surgs. of the British service will, in all cases, receive the pay of their standing as laid down in para. 10, with an addition of Rs. 150, if in med. charge of a regt. of infantry or cavalry, or brigade of artillery, or a permanent depot, besides Rs. 60 per mensem horse allowance, if with cavalry or horse artillery, and Rs. 80 if attached to field artillery.

VI. Medical officers of the Indian Service who do not come under the provisions of Clause 1 of this Order, will draw the same pay and allowances as before the issue of the Order, unless it is below the pay assigned to their rank in paragraph 10, in which case they will be permitted to draw the higher rate of pay. In the latter case they will draw horse allowance at the prescribed rates, if with cavalry, horse artillery, or field artillery.

VII. Medical officers drawing pay under the old

rules will receive any advantages to which they would become entitled by these rules in consequence of promotion or having completed five, six, or ten years' service as assistant surgeons.

VIII. Medical officers, whether of the British or Indian Service, holding staff appointments, and in receipt of staff or half staff salaries, will, until further orders, draw the present rates of staff salary, in addition to the old scale of pay, receiving any increase in the latter to which they would have become entitled by promotion, unless the aggregate shall be less than the pay of their grade under paragraph 10 of the Secretary of State's despatch, in which case they will receive the latter only. When on leave they will draw the new rates of pay without staff salary, the acting incumbent drawing the staff salary with the old rate of pay, or the new rates without staff pay, as may be most advantageous.

IX. Conveyance allowance will not be admissible to assistant surgeons on the new rates of pay.

X. The authorised allowance for the medical charge of the staff of divisions or brigades will be passed in addition to pay and allowances, whether on the old or new scale.

The foregoing is in substitution of any orders or decisions on the subject that may have previously been given.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Nov. 25.—The Right Rev. the Bishop has granted the Rev. J. W. Wynch, M.A., chaplain of Vizagapatam, priv. leave for 2 mo. from the 28th inst.

Nov. 23.—The board of revenue have granted 1 mo.'s priv. leave under Section XVI. of the rules, to Mr. R. H. Lyons, dep. coll. in charge of the treasury, Ganjam.

The offic. director of revenue settlement has granted Capt. E. O. Leggatt, asst. director of revenue settlement, Trichinopoly, priv. leave of absence for 3 mo. from the date of quitting his station, under Section XII. of the Civil Service Absentee Rules.

No. 63.—The leave granted to Inspector Mr. J. Paczensky, of Salem police, published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of Sept. 16, has been extended for 6 mo., on m.c.

Sick leave has been granted to Mr. J. P. Martin, overseer, Oodomalapetta Taluq. of Coimbatore dist., from Oct. 18 to Oct. 30, both days inclusive.

Nov. 25.—Mr. A. Macgregor, Madras C.S., has this day returned to the pres. from furl. by the *P. and O. steamer Mooltan*.

Bombay Castle, Nov. 12.—Mr. J. R. Daniel, of the Madras C.S., to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of Canara.

Mr. H. J. Stokes, of the Madras C.C., is placed under the coll. of Canara for the purpose of prosecuting his studies in the Canarese language.

Fort St. George, Nov. 25.—No. 448.—The underment. officer is perm. to proceed to Europe:—

2nd Capt. J. Virtue, of the royal (Madras) engrs., exec. engr. North Arcot dist., on m.c., for 20 mo., under the regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

The underment. officer has returned to his duty, by permission of the Home Govt. without prejudice to his rank:—

Asst. surg. H. E. Busted; arrived at Madras Nov. 20.

Dec. 6.—The Hon. E. Maltby is permitted to resign the serv. from the 16th inst., and is admitted to an annuity from that date, under the terms of the despatch from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, dated Nov. 25, 1862, No. 78.

The undermentioned gentleman has obtained leave of absence from his station:—The Hon. D. Arbuthnot, col. and mag. of Salem, for 3 mo., from Jan. 10, under sec. XII. of the Covenanted C.S. Absentee Rules, to proceed to Cumbum and the Neilgherry Hills.

Mr. E. F. Webster, act. head asst. to the col. and mag. of Salem, to act as head asst. to the col. and mag. of the dist. of Cuddapah, during the employment of Mr. McQuhae on other duty, or until further orders.

Mr. F. H. Woodroffe, to be asst. to the col. and mag. of the dist. of Vizagapatam.

Mr. W. Hewetson, act. 4th class dep. col. and mag. of Malabar, to be 4th class dep. col. and mag.

Mr. H. Richardson, 2nd class dep. col. and mag. of Malabar, to act as 1st class dep. col. and mag. on full pay, during the employment of A. Séshaiya Sastri on other duty.

N.B.—The foregoing appts. will take effect from

the 15th inst., the date on which V. Ráma Aiyengár enters upon his duties in the currency dept.

Mr. J. A. Marjoribanks, 4th class dep. col. in the Kistna dist. (now acting in the 3rd class), to be 3rd class dep. col., v. Mr. W. C. Stuart, dec.

Mr. P. A. Cole, to be 4th class dep. col. and mag. of the Coimbatore dist., v. Marjoribanks.

Col. J. Impett, to be sheriff of Madras for the ensuing year.

Mr. R. W. Barlow, act. sub col. of North Arcot, to be sen. marriage reg. for that dist., v. Mr. W. F. Hathaway, relieved.

Rev. G. Warlow, B.A., joint chap. of Secunderabad, to be chap. of Trimulgherry.

That portion of the notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of Nov. 8, 1864, posting Lieut. R. A. Livesay, R.E., act. asst. eng., 3rd class, to the Bellary dist., is cancelled, and that officer will join the Tanjore dist.

Dec. 2.—The Board of Revenue have granted 1 mo. priv. leave to Mr. H. Sewell, B.A., asst. coll. of Madura.

The Commissary gen. has, under the provisions of G.O.G. No. 77, dated March 24, 1857, granted priv. leave of absence to Lieut. E. S. Berkeley, sub asst. comy. gen., for 15 days, from 5th inst.

The cumulative priv. leave granted to Mr. J. E. Shutie, manager superint. engr's office, 8th div., in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of Nov. 18, 1864, is cancelled, at his own request.

Dec. 6.—No. 462.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following appts.:—

Maj. T. Peyton and H. H. O'Connell, Staff Corps, to be asst. qmrs. gen., to complete the estab.

The undermentioned officers are permitted to retire from the service, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Lieut. col. A. J. Kelso, 3rd regt. L.C., on the pension of a col., from Nov. 30, 1864.

Capt. (brev. maj.) W. Hornidge, 24th regt. N.I., on the pension of a major, from Dec. 6, 1864.

Capt. A. F. F. Bloomfield, staff corps, is granted an extension of leave from Nov. 13 to the date of his return to duty from sick leave to Europe, viz., 20th idem.

The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe:—

Lieut. (brev. capt.) J. W. Aitchison, cadre 46th regt. N.I., acting adjt. 31st regt. L.I., on m.c. for 20 mo., under regs. of 1854, and to embark from Cocanada.

Lieut. col. W. T. Money, 31st regt. L.I., is permitted to proceed to Calcutta, on m.c., to appear before a medical board, for the purpose of obtaining a final m.c. to Europe.

The undermentioned officers have returned to their duty, by permission of the Home Govt., without prejudice to their rank:—

Lieut. col. A. Wyndham, staff corps, comit. 4th inf., Hyderabad Contingent; arrived at Bombay on Nov. 29.

Asst. surg. A. Sanderson, M.D., in med. charge 1st cav., Hyderabad Contingent; arrived at Bombay on Nov. 29.

The services of Asst. surg. S. T. Heard, M.D., in med. charge of the establishments at Hoonsoor, are placed at the disposal of the comr. of Mysore, subject to the confirmation of the Govt. of India, from the date of the expiration of priv. leave granted to him by the Comy. gen., under date Dec. 1.

No. 463.—Madras Staff Corps.—Capt. A. J. M. Rainey, having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be maj., from Dec. 3, 1864, under Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

No. 464.—The following extracts from G.O. by the Govt. of India are republished:—

Fort William, Nov. 15.—No. 900.—Lieut. W. Rawlins, Madras staff corps, is permitted, at his own request, to resign his appt. of adjt. in the 3rd Sikh inf., Punjab irreg. force, and his services are accordingly placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Fort St. George.

No. 902.—The following order issued by the Resident at Hyderabad is confirmed:—

Dated Aug. 29.—No. 158.—Appg. Lieut. G. B. Farrington, Madras staff corps, doing duty with 24th Madras N.I., to be a paid doing duty officer, temp., in the 2nd cav. Hyderabad Contingent, during the period Lieut. Walker may offic. as adjt.

Nov. 16.—No. 904.—The services of Lieut. C. E. Armstrong, R.A., doing duty with the art. of the Hyderabad Contingent, are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept.

Nov. 18.—No. 921.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Eur., on leave of absence, on m.c.:—

Capt. J. C. Burnett, 4th Madras L.C., for 20 mo., under new regs.

No. 923.—The undermentioned officer, having completed 5 years' service as lieut. col., to be col. in the army, from the date specified opposite to his name, under the operation of Clause 8 of Royal Warrant dated Jan. 31, 1859, published in G.G.O. No. 740, dated May 20, 1859, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Brevet.—To be Colonel in the Army.

Lieut. col. H. Milne, Bengal inf.; Aug. 25, 1864.

With reference to G.O.G. No. 900 of 1864 the services of Lieut. W. Rawlins are placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C.

Fort St. George, Dec. 6.—No. 466.—The following extracts from notifications in the *Gazette of India* are republished:—

Fort William, Nov. 17.—No. 5,505.—Dr. H. J. Beach, civil asst. surg. of Chandah, Central Provinces, has 1 mo. leave of absence, on m.c., from Nov. 1, prep. to furl. to Europe.

Nov. 14.—No. 266.—H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to app. Capt. R. G. Jones, 2nd Madras cav., to be mag. and judge of the Small Cause Court, in the cantonment of Secunderabad, Nizam's Territories.

No. 1,210.—Surg. maj. R. R. Sutcliffe, offic. civil surg. of Thevetmyo, British Burmah, made over charge of his duties to Asst. surg. B. T. Suffrein on Sept. 16 last.

No. 1,214.—Lieut. J. C. Berkeley, officg. 2nd asst. to the Agent Gov. gen. for Central India, is app. asst. to the Agent Gov. gen. for Central India for Boundary Settlements, v. Capt. R. Jenkins, res.

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Bombay Castle, Dec. 3.—No. 597.—A canvas brush bag, the cost of which is not to exceed 7 annas 6 pies, is included among the articles ordered by G.O. No. 38, dated Jan. 28, 1863, to be issued to non. com. officers and men transf. from the late Bombay to the Royal art., free of charge as a first issue.

No. 599.—The following officers having applied for admission to the staff corps under the provisions of para. 2 of G.O.G.I. No. 531, dated June 27, 1861, are app. to the Bombay staff corps from the date specified opposite their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secretary of State for India:—

Lieut. S. A. Smith, 17th N.I., adjt. 17th N.I., from Aug. 27, 1862.

Lieut. A. Hogg, cadre 31st N.I., qrmr. 29th N.I., from April 12, 1862.

Lieut. H. C. Morse, 8th N.I., qrmr. 9th N.I., from Nov. 23, 1863.

Lieut. W. A. Salmon, gen. list, qrmr. 17th N.I., from Oct. 29, 1862.

Lieut. A. Wood, gen. list, adjt. 29th N.I., from Sept. 13, 1862.

Dec. 6, No. 600.—The following prom. in the pub. works dept. is made:—

Deputy asst. comy. J. Davis, to be asst. comy., from Nov. 15, 1864. [Being two years from date of rank as deputy asst. comy.]

Dec. 7.—No. 601.—Lieut. P. Browne, staff corps, adjt. 27th or 1st Belooch regt., is allowed a furl. to Europe for 20 mo., from the date of embarkation from Kurrachee, on m.c.

No. 602.—Lieut. col. R. Rennie, Bengal staff corps, comdt. 3rd regt. Sikh inf., is allowed a furl. to Europe for 20 mo., from the date of embarkation from Kurrachee, on m.c.

No. 603.—Major Thacker performed the duties of paymr. at the Presidency from Nov. 16 to the 28th, both days inclusive.

Lieut. G. A. Atkinson, Bombay staff corps, has been app. to act as asst. political agent, Kattywar.

Capt. A. C. Way, 2nd in command, Sawunt Waree local corps, has been app. to act as political superint. of Sawunt Waree during the absence of Maj. Schneider on leave.

Mr. H. H. Calvert assumed charge of his duties as acting British consul and agent at Jeddah on the 1st ult.

Dec. 3.—Mr. W. Wedderburn, acting judge of the court of Small Causes at Ahmedabad, is allowed three mos. priv. leave of absence under sec. xii. of the covenanted C.S. absentee rules.

Dec. 6.—The app. by the first judge of the Bombay court of Small Causes of Mr. J. F. Spencer to act as clerk of the court during the absence of Mr. J. C. V. Johnson, is approved by the hon. the Gov. in Council.

Dec. 7.—Mr. C. F. H. Shaw is app. judge and session judge of Kulladghee.

Maj. T. Candy is app. to be sheriff of Bombay.

Mr. G. H. Wilson, extra dep. coll. and magis. of Ahmednuggur, is invested with the powers of a

subor. magis. of the 1st class in the Ahmednuggur district.

Asst. surg. J. G. Asher, M.D., acting Hoozoor dep. coll. of Tanna, is app. to act as Hoozoor dep. magis. of Tanna.

Mr. C. A. Middleton is allowed leave for 26 days from Nov. 24, to enable him to join his app. of judge and session judge of Kurrachee.

Mr. A. David, asst. superint. of police at Poona, acted as superint. of police of Poona from Sept. 13 to Oct. 27, both days inclusive.

Capt. T. Nuttall is app. as superint. of police in the Kulludghee district.

The Hon. the Gov. in Council has been pleased, as a temp. measure, to app. Asst. surg. T. G. Hewlett to perform the duties of surg. to the coroner.

Asst. surg. C. Joynt, M.D., L.R.C.P. (Ir.), is app. surg. to the county gaol.

Dec. 2.—Mr. J. R. Naylor to be 2nd asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kulladghee.

Mr. P. M. Dalzell to be dep. comsr. of Customs, salt and opium, northern div.

Dec. 6.—The appt. of Mr. S. H. Phillpotts as 3rd asst. coll. and mag. of Khandesh, made under date Sept. 22, should have retrospective effect from the date of his passing the departmental exam.

Mr. A. R. Macdonald acted as sub coll. of Colaba from Sept. 29 to Nov. 9, both days inclusive.

Dec. 7.—Lieut. C. C. Pemberton, supern. asst. Revenue Survey and Assessment, Khandesh, is allowed leave of absence on private affairs for 8 days.

Lieut. J. P. Grant, asst. superint. in the Mysore Revenue Survey, and Lieut. J. L. Fagan, asst. superint. Southern Maratha Country Revenue Survey, passed an exam. in the Canarese language Oct. 29.

Mr. H. H. S. Parkinson, asst. superint., Guzerat Revenue Survey and Assessment, has been allowed priv. leave of absence for 8 mo. from Nov. 9.

Maj. A. T. Etheridge, alienation settlement officer, southern div., is allowed priv. leave of absence for 3 mo. under section XII. of the Covenanted Civil Absentee Rules.

Dec. 3.—Capt. J. A. Fuller, R.E., exec. engr. presidency, is apptd. consulting engr. for drainage works, with effect from Nov. 28.

Capt. A. J. Fuller received charge of the office of consulting engineer, drainage works, on the 1st inst.

Dec. 7.—Asst. surg. J. Mackenzie, professor of anatomy and physiology, to be Asst. surg. Jamssetjee Jeejeebhoy Hospital, and professor of surgery Grant Med. Coll., v. Dr. Ballingall, continuing to perform his present duties until relieved.

Asst. surg. C. Joynt to be professor of midwifery Grant Med. Coll., v. Dr. Hyslop.

Capt. T. Waddington, Bombay staff corps, has been app. educational inspector, central div., v. Mr. Coke, who has resigned his appointment.

Mr. H. Coke, educational inspector, central div., having returned to his duties on the 26th ult., the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him is can.

Dec. 6.—Mr. Pryce, first assist. master attend. and conservator of the port, having returned to duty on Nov. 28, 1864, the unexpired portion of the priv. leave for 2 mo. granted to that officer from Oct. 3 last is can.

No. 117.—Surg. maj. Thom having resumed charge of his duties in the European General Hospital on 30th ult., the unexpired portion of the leave granted to that officer in notification No. 92, dated Oct. 12, 1864, is can.

Khandesh Districts, Camp/Erundole, Nov. 28, 1864.—Mr. H. Phillpotts, 3rd assist. coll. and mag. of Khandesh, joined his appointment on Oct. 12, 1864.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Adj. Gen's Office, Poona, Nov. 14.—No. 1,041.—The undermentioned officer, R.E., having reported his arrival from England on the date specified, is attached to the corps of sappers and miners, and directed to join:—

Lieut. A. L. Buckle, Nov. 9.

Nov. 16.—No. 1,042.—Col. F. Adams, C.B., H.M.'s 28th foot, has permission to precede his regt., and to embark for England (per overland route), subject to the approval of H.E. the C. in C. in India. Col. Adams will report his arrival to the adj. gen., Horse Guards, London.

No. 1,043.—Staff Asst. surg. D. C. Taylor, having reported his arrival from England, is attached to 33rd foot, until further orders, pending the authority of Govt. for his being brought on the strength of H.M.'s British forces in this presidency.

No. 1,044.—Lieut. F. S. Leacock, gen. list, attached to corps of sappers and miners, has qualified as a surveyor.

No. 1,046.—H.R.H. the Field Marshal Commanding in Chief has been pleased to grant leave of absence as follows:—

33rd Foot.—Capt. A. B. Wallis, from Sept. 23, 1864, to April 1, 1865, on m.c.

44th Foot.—Col. C. W. D. Staveley, C.B., from Oct. 30 to Nov. 30, in ext.

Leave of absence:—

56th Foot.—Capt. H. Eccles, from Nov. 10 to Dec. 9, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final m.c. to Europe.

3rd Regt. Sind Horse.—Lieut. A. T. Reid, from Sept. 26 to Oct. 26, in ext.

2nd Gren. Regt. N.I.—Lieut. and Adj. S. D. B. Edwards, from Nov. 8 to Dec. 7, to Vingorla, m.c.

17th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. G. E. Blew, from Oct. 31 to Nov. 30, to Bombay, on m.c.

Nov. 17.—No. 1,048.—The following temporary arrangement is confirmed:—

2nd Gren. Regt. N.I.—Lieut. C. M. Ryves, gen. list, to offic. as adj., from Nov. 8, during absence of Lieut. Edwards.

No. 1,049.—The undermentioned officers are reported to have passed the required examination in the native language as follows:—

Hindustanee.—Staff Test.

Surg. T. Murray, 10th regt. N.I.

Asst. surg. F. R. O'Kearney.

Lieut. H. D. Owen, cadre 2nd regt. L.C.

No. 1,050.—With the sanction of Govt., Conductor W. H. Lindfield, ordnance dept., is pensioned on £60 per annum, at Bombay.

Nov. 18.—No. 1,053.—H.E. the C. in C. in India has been pleased to make the following appointment, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

44th Foot.—Capt. J. H. Linton, from 76th foot, to be capt., v. Franklin, who exch. Nov. 5.

No. 1,054.—Ensign McNair, 106th foot, is attached to 2nd regt. L.C., instead of 1st regt., as directed in G.O. No. 979, Oct. 26 last.

No. 1,055.—Asst. surg. J. J. Pope, R.A., recently arrived at Poona with a detachment of 72nd highlanders, is directed to do duty with the gen. depot after handing over his charge to Staff Asst. surg. Atkinson, who will proceed with the detachment to Sattara.

Nov. 19.—No. 1,057.—Major J. Bates, brigade major on the estab., having returned from England, is posted to the Nusseerabad brigade.

No. 1,058.—The following appointment is made:—

2nd Regt. Sind Horse.—Lieut. W. Reynolds, offic. doing duty officer 1st regt. Sind horse, to be doing duty officer, v. Seton.

No. 1,059.—Lieut. G. Bannister, cadre 16th regt. N.I., is placed on gen. duty, Bombay garrison.

No. 1,060.—The following order is confirmed:—

Dated Nov. 9.—By the Brigdr. gen. comdg. Bombay garrison, appointing Lieut. Pye to act as interp. to H.M.'s 45th regt., in the absence of a qualified officer of that corps, or until further orders.

No. 1,064.—H.E. the C. in C. in India has been pleased to grant leave of absence as follows:—

4th Foot.—Capt. G. H. Kittoe and Lieut. C. R. Hammond, for 15 mo., from date of embarkation, to England.

Leave of absence:—

21st Regt. N.I.—Surg. W. Peach, from Nov. 14 to Nov. 30, in ext.

26th Regt. N.I.—Surg. G. F. H. Brown, from Nov. 11 to Dec. 11, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final m.c. to Europe.

Ordnance Dept.—Lieut. P. Cowley, from Nov. 5 to Nov. 20, in ext., on m.c.

ADDITIONS TO MONTHLY DISTRIBUTION RETURNS.

Nov. 22.—No. 1,065.—The following additions are ordered to be made to the monthly distribution returns of artillery, cavalry, and infantry, European and native, furnished to the qmtr. gen., at army head quarters:—

I. Battery commanding officers will add a column showing the equipment and number of guns attached to their batteries.

II. Officers commanding batteries of artillery, regiments of cavalry, sappers and miners, and infantry, will be good enough to add at the foot of their returns:—

1st. The percentage of sick during the month.

2nd. The number of deaths during the month.

These alterations to have effect from the 1st prox. inclusive.

No. 1,067.—Major G. Davison, sen. inspector of musketry, was permitted to proceed on his annual tour of inspection on the 10th ult.

No. 1,068.—Lieut. G. Bannister, 16th regt. N.I., returned to duty by permission of the Sec. of State for India, on Nov. 12.

Nov. 23.—No. 1,073.—Leave of absence:—

Royal Artillery.—2nd Capt. H. Le G. Geary (14th brig.), from Nov. 13 to Dec. 12, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final m.c. to Europe.

Cadre 11th Regt. N.I.—Major W. L. Cabusac, from Nov. 30, 1864, to Jan. 31, 1865, to remain in Bombay, for the purpose of studying the Hindostanee language.

Nov. 24.—No. 1,074.—Asst. surg. A. Maclean, D. batty. 14th brig. R.A., on being relieved from the med. charge of the 106th foot, will rejoin his batty. at Kirkee.

No. 1,078.—The following appointments are made:—

Poona Horse.—Lieut. H. H. D. Owen is confirmed in the appt. of 3rd squadron officer, from 17th inst.

Lieut. C. A. Owen, gen. list, is attached to the Poona horse.

2nd Gr. Regt. N.I.—Brev. maj. F. Roome, 10th regt. N.I., to be 2nd in com., v. Moyle, who vacates on prom. to lieut. col.

3rd Regt. N.I.—Maj. E. Campbell is confirmed in the appt. of 2nd in com., v. Richards, prom. to lieut. col.

10th Regt. N.I.—Capt. T. W. W. Pierce to be wing officer, v. Roome.

27th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. H. B. Edwards, cadre 2nd Eur. regt., to be doing duty officer.

28th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. W. H. Yates, 3rd regt. N.I., to be doing duty officer.

No. 1,079.—Asst. surg. E. H. R. Langley is app. to the med. charge of 24th regt. N.I., v. Peach, proc. on furl. to sea and Australia.

No. 1,080.—Lieut. col. H. R. C. Moyle is placed on gen. duty, Belgium.

Nov. 26.—No. 1,082.—Brevet major B. R. Whitaker, cadre 2nd Eur. regt., is placed on gen. duty, Belgium, from the date on which his present leave expires.

No. 1,083.—The following orders are confirmed:—

Oct. 26.—By Maj. J. H. B. Dennis, comdg. field detachment in Kattywar, appg. Lieut. Walker, royal arty., staff officer to the detachment, in addition to his other duties.

No. 1,085.—Leave of absence:—

Capt. F. B. Johnston, 3rd drag. gds., from Nov. 20 to Dec. 21, to Bombay, on m.c.

Lieut. F. S. Iredell, 16th regt. N.I., from Dec. 15, 1864, to Jan. 29, 1865, to proceed to Bombay, prep. to obtaining furl. to Europe.

Nov. 28.—No. 1,086.—On the recommendation of the dep. insp. gen. of hospitals, British forces, Asst. surg. Greenhill, 72nd foot, will, on his arrival at Mhow, be attached to the C. batty. E. brig. royal horse arty., of which he will take medical charge on its leaving for Kirkee.

No. 1,087.—The underment. officer is reported to have passed the required exam. in Hindostanee, according to the staff test:—

Capt. A. Schmid, H.M.'s 109th foot.

No. 1,088.—The officer comdg. 7th regt. N.I. has permission to detach a recruiting party (2 privates) to the Punjab.

Nov. 30.—No. 1,091.—The following temporary arrangements are confirmed:—

2nd Regiment Light Cavalry.

Lieut. H. Phillips, 3rd squadron officer, to offic. as 2nd squadron officer, from Oct. 29, v. Moore.

Lieut. C. W. Gabb, gen. list, to offic. as 3rd squadron officer, from Oct. 29, v. Phillips.

No. 1,092.—The following medical arrangements are ordered:—

Staff asst. surg. W. T. Paliologus, recently arrived from England, to do duty at the Colaba Sanitarium.

Staff asst. surg. Burke to proceed on duty at the public expense to Deesa, to do duty with the 56th foot.

Asst. surg. Jessop, 6th dragoons, recently arrived from England, to proceed on duty at the public expense, and join his regt. at Mhow.

Staff asst. surg. J. E. Barker, at present attached to the 6th dragoons, to proceed and do duty with the 45th foot, on his arrival at Mhow, en route to Neemuch.

No. 1,093.—Returned to duty on Nov. 9:—

Capt. H. Beville, staff corps.

Capt. J. Bates, 8th regt. N.I.

No. 1,096.—Leave of absence:—

21st Brigade R.A.—2nd Capt. A. Carey, for 15 mo. from date of departure from Aden, to England.

Royal Artillery.—Asst. surg. H. W. Devlin, to England by the overland route, on m.c.

51st Foot.—Asst. surg. G. T. Bourke, to England by the overland route, on m.c.

56th Foot.—Capt. H. Eccles, to England by the overland route, on m.c.

These officers are not available for duty with

troops, and will, on arrival, report themselves to the adjt. gen., Horse Guards.

Leave of absence:—

103rd Foot.—Lieut. W. S. Nugent, from 1st to 30th Nov.; to Bombay, m.c.

Gen. List.—Lieut. H. French, doing duty officer 4th regt. N.I. (rifles), from Nov. 24 to Dec. 24; to Matheran, m.c.

Dec. 1.—No. 1,098.—The following temporary arrangement is confirmed:—

17th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. W. A. Salmon, qrmr., to officiate as adjt., in addition to his own duties, with effect from Nov. 17, v. Smith.

No. 1,099.—Major J. B. Dunsterville, staff corps, is placed on general duty, Bombay garrison.

Dec. 2.—No. 1,101.—The undermentioned officers of the royal engineers having reported their arrival from England on the date specified, are attached to the corps of sappers and miners, and directed to join:—

Lieuts. T. J. Willans and L. F. Boileau; date of arrival, Nov. 29.

No. 1,102.—Returned to duty Nov. 29:—

Lieut. col. C. M. Barrow, staff corps.

Brev. capt. E. N. Marsh, 18th regt. N.I.

Surgeon major W. Collum, medical establishment.

Vet. surgeon C. E. Barton, vety. estab.

No. 1,103.—Ensign E. J. B. Wither, 28th foot, will proceed to the general depot for duty, in view of his being employed with invalids proceeding to Europe.

Dec. 3.—No. 1,105.—In continuation of G.O.C. No. 1,058, dated Nov. 19, the following temporary arrangement is confirmed:—

2nd Regiment Sind Horse.

Lieut. W. Reynolds, doing duty officer, to officiate as second squadron officer, from Nov. 21, v. Seton.

No. 1,106.—Col. G. Malcolm, c.n., is placed on general duty under the general officer commanding Poona div. of the army until further orders.

No. 1,107.—Lieut. C. A. Owen, gen. list, returned to duty, by permission of the Sec. of State for India, on Nov. 9.

No. 1,108.—The following orders are confirmed:—

Oct. 25.—By Lieut. col. Rocke, comdg. detachment 72nd foot, apptg. Ens. Barstow to act as adj. and qrmr. to the detachments marching on Asseerghur and Sattara, with effect from Oct. 26 to Nov. 13.

Nov. 23.—By Col. Payn, c.n., comdg. at Mhow, placing Lieut. F. T. Stock, attached to the 103rd foot, doing general duty at Mhow, until the arrival of the regt.

No. 1,113.—Leave of absence:—

Lieut. F. C. H. Clarke, 18th brig. R.A., from Oct. 25, 1864, to April 7, 1865, in ext.

Lieut. A. T. B. Stevenson, 21st brig. R.A., from Oct. 21, 1864, to Feb. 21, 1865, on m.c.

Col. R. W. D. Leith, 106th foot, from Oct. 27, 1864, to Jan. 27, 1865, on m.c.

Lieut. Clarke will embark for India on the exptn. of his leave.

Lieut. Stevenson will, on the exptn. of his leave, join the depot brig. for duty until further orders.

The undermentioned officer has obtained leave of absence, subject to confirmation by H.E. the C. in C. in India:—

Capt. A. M. Rawlins, 95th foot, to England by the overland route, on m.c.

This officer is not available for duty with troops, and will, on his arrival, report himself to the adj. gen., Horse Guards.

Leave of Absence:—

Lieut. T. Trueman, doing duty officer 30th regt. N.I., cadre 3rd European regt., from Oct. 27 to Nov. 17, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

Capt. F. R. Burnett, 106th foot, from Nov. 13, 1864, to May 12, 1865, on m.c. to Murree and Hills North of Deyrah.

Lieut. F. P. Worthy, 13th regt. N.I., from Nov. 11 to Nov. 20, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF'S VISIT TO BOMBAY.

Poona, Dec. 6.—The C. in C. will proceed to Bombay on the 10th inst.; H.E. will be accompanied by the asst. adjt. gen., asst. qrmr. gen. of the army, the asst. adjt. gen., R.A., and his personal staff.

During the C. in C.'s residence in Bombay, heads of all depts. connected with the head qrs. staff will wait upon H.E. as occasion may require.

No. 1,120.—Lieut. J. M. Morgan, royal engrs., has passed the prescribed colloquial exam. in the Hindoostanee language.

Dec. 7.—No. 1,124.—The following appts. are made:—

4th Regiment N.I. (Rifles).

Lieut. col. C. M. Barrow, staff corps, to command, v. Manson, whose leave of absence extended over 20 mo.

18th Regiment N.I.

Lieut. col. J. J. Combe is confirmed as comdt. of that corps, v. Barrow.

Maj. H. E. Jacob as 2nd in command, v. Combe.

No. 1,125.—Ens. Lugard, 1st batt. 4th foot, is attached to the 44th foot, and app. instructor of musketry. He is directed to proceed on duty at the public expense to join his appt.

No. 1,126.—Leave of absence:—

Cornet C. D. B. Creagh, 6th drag., to remain in England for 6 mo., from Dec. 17, in ext.

Maj. H. C. Fitzgerald, 33rd foot, to England for 6 mo., from date of embarkation.

Leave of absence:—

Maj. A. S. Cooper, 33rd foot, for 1 year, from date of dep., to Hills north of Deyrah.

Lieut. J. G. Edwards, G. batty. 18th brig. R.A., from Nov. 27 to Dec. 26, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to final m.c. to Europe.

NAVAL.

By Capt. J. W. Young, c.n., Superintendent of Bombay Marine.

Marine Dept., Bombay Castle, Nov. 18.—No. 28.

—The following temporary arrangements and appointments are confirmed:—

Mr. W. Hoy appointed 3rd officer of the *Coromandel*, from Oct. 29.

Mr. J. A. Yates, appointed foreman founder to the steam factory, having reported his arrival from England by the steam vessel *Carnatic*, on Oct. 30, assumed charge of his duties on that date.

PROMOTION OF ENGINEERS.

Nov. 4.—In accordance with Govt. Resolution in the Marine Dept., No. 760 of Oct. 13 last, the promotions of engineers notified in Squadron Order, No. 430 of Aug. 15 last, are confirmed, and the present proportion of engineers sanctioned for the Bombay marine is as follows, viz.:—

European Engineers.—1st class, 23; 2nd class, 15; 3rd class, 17.

Naval Trained.—1st class, 9; 2nd class, 8; 3rd class, 4; total, 76.

By the Hon. the Governor in Council.

Nov. 9.—No. 26.—Capt. Turner, ordnance examiner, has performed the duties of marine examiner from Oct. 10 last, and will continue to perform them, in add. to his own, until further orders.

Nov. 11.—No. 27.—The following temp. arrangements and appts. are confirmed:—

By Capt. J. W. Young, c.n., Superintendent of Bombay Marine.

Lieut. Hewett to the com. of the steam vessel *Hugh Lindsay*, from Oct. 11.

Mr. Gray, 1st officer of the *Clyde*, to the *Hugh Lindsay* as 1st officer, from Oct. 11.

Mr. E. Elton, 3rd officer of the *Coromandel*, to be prom. to 2nd officer of that vessel, from Oct. 1.

Mr. J. H. Banks, appointed 3rd officer of the steam vessel *Victoria*, from Oct. 11, 1864.

Mr. T. Fitzgerald, 1st class engr., proceeding on duty from Kurrachee to Bombay, to be accommodated with a passage on board the British India Steam Navigation Company's steamer *Kurrachee* from Oct. 6, 1864.

Lieut. Brebner performed the duties of store accountant of the floating batteries and tenders from Jan. 25, 1864.

Nov. 18.—No. 28.—The following temporary appointment is confirmed:—

By Captain J. W. Young, c.n., Superintendent of Bombay Marine.

Mr. W. Hoy appointed 3rd officer of the *Coromandel*, from Oct. 29, 1864.

Nov. 28.—No. 29.—The following appointment is made:—

Maj. J. Thacker, staff corps, to be acting examiner, marine dept., v. Mr. R. G. Betham.

No. 30.—Asst. apothecary W. Roan (No. 376) is transferred from the Bombay marine to the Mekran telegraph dept.

RATES OF BATTA.

Office of the Superintendent of the Bombay Marine, Bombay, Nov. 15.—The Superintendent of Marine hereby notifies for general information that the Hon. the Gov. in Council has been pleased to sanction the rates of batta for officers of the Bombay Marine as follows:—

Commander	...	...	Rs. 5 per diem.
1. Officer	...	...	" 2 "
2. Officer	...	...	" 1½ "
3. Officer	...	...	" 1 "

BIRTHS.

ANDERSON, the wife of F., M.D., dep. insp. gen. of hospitals, of a daughter, at Barrackpore, Nov. 30.

AINSLIE, the wife of Capt. Edward C., 60th Royal Rifles, of a son, at Rangoon, Birmah, Sept. 21.

BOLDON, the wife of Henry, C.E., of a daughter, at Abbey-gardens, St. John's-wood, London, Oct. 21.

BAYLEY, the wife of E. C., C.S., of a son, at Simla, Nov. 20.

BOWSER, the wife of Dr. H. C., civil surg., of a daughter, at Dinapore, Nov. 17.

COWIE, the wife of John, of a son, Nov. 18.

CRIVEN, the wife of James, of a daughter, at Calcutta, Nov. 25.

CRAWFORD, the wife of Arthur Travers, of a son, at the Adawlut, Rutnagherry, Nov. 7.

DRIVER, the wife of J. H., of Elambazar, indigo planter, of a son, at 13, Royd-street, Calcutta, Nov. 13.

FULTON, the wife of Capt. J., R.A., of a son, at Mohun, near Delhra Dhoon, Nov. 7.

FORD, the wife of B. B., offic. civil surg., of a daughter, at Rungpore, Nov. 26.

GOSLIN, the wife of Lieut. W., dep. asst. coms., of a son, Dec. 2.

GEDDES, the wife of Capt., 76th Regt., of a son, at Fort St. George, Madras, Nov. 13.

GRANGE, the wife of J., inspector of police, of a son, at Ghazepore, Nov. 5.

GRANTHAM, the wife of Major, 98th Regt., of a daughter, at Umballah, Nov. 18.

HARDY, the wife of Major, 21st Hussars, of a son, at Umballah, Nov. 17.

HARRIS, the wife of Lieut. J. P., 1st Regt. N.I., of a daughter, at Morar, Gwalior, Nov. 9.

HAWARD, the wife of Asst. surg. W., 21st Hussars, of a daughter, at Umballah, Nov. 7.

HALLIDAY, the wife of F. M., C.S., of a son, at Moteeharee, Chumparun, Nov. 20.

KEIR, the wife of Lieut. G. L., Commissariat Dept., of a son, at Dinapore, Nov. 14.

KING, the wife of Henry Welchman, of a daughter, still-born, Oct. 17.

LAMB, the wife of G., Esq., Royal Artillery, Coms. of Ordinance, of a daughter, at Mooltan, Nov. 28.

LANE, the wife of C. H., of a daughter, at Najera, Upper Assam, Nov. 2.

MAXWELL, the wife of Capt. H., Bengal Staff Corps, of a daughter, at Meerut, Nov. 8.

MOSELEY, the wife of Capt. R. N., Staff Corps, of a daughter, at Kurnal, Nov. 6.

MEAD, the wife of Capt. C. J., Royal Artillery, of a son, at Gya, Nov. 19.

MAIN, the wife of W. A., of a son, at Colaba, Dec. 11.

NESBITT, the wife of H. K., of a son, at Berham-pore, Dec. 2.

NEWMHAM, the wife of W. H., c.s., of a daughter, at Tanna, Dec. 2.

PATTERSON, the wife of A. B., C.S., of a daughter, at Meerut, Nov. 16.

PEMBERTON, the wife of Capt. R. B., R.E., of a daughter, at Lucknow, Nov. 18.

PHILLIPS, the wife of Wm., District Engineer E.I. Railway, of a son, at Allahabad, Nov. 12.

PRESTAGE, the wife of F., of a daughter, at Darjeeling, Nov. 13.

PASSMORE, the wife of P. A., of a son, at Chinch-poolly Hill, Nov. 20.

PEMBERTON, the wife of Capt. R. B., R.E., of a daughter, at Lucknow, Nov. 18.

PHILLIPS, the wife of Major, of a son, at Hyderabad, Sind, Nov. 29.

PHILLIPS, the wife of R. P., Esq., of a daughter, at Howrah, Dec. 4.

REUBEN, the wife of R. J., of a daughter, Dec. 4.

ROBINSON, the wife of J., of the med. store dept., of a son, at Calcutta, Nov. 19.

ROONAN, the wife of M., head master high school, of a daughter, at Surat, Nov. 28.

ROSS, the wife of Daniel S., of a daughter, at Chander-nagore, Dec. 5.

SANDEMAN, Mrs. E., of a son, at Calcutta, Nov. 28.

SAGE, the wife of R. P., of a son, at No. 3, Middleton-row, Nov. 28.

SPEDDING, the wife of R. D., C.S., of a daughter, at Cawnpore, Nov. 22.

THOMSON, the wife of Mr. A. B., of a son, at Bangalore, Nov. 16.

WETHERILL, the wife of J. E., of a son, at Calcutta, Nov. 22.

WILSON, the wife of F. W., of a son, at Belgaum, Dec. 3.

WALTON, the wife of H. I., of a son, at Kurrachee, Nov. 15.

WARREN, the wife of W., Esq., R.A., of a son, at Kamptee, Nov. 29.

MARRIAGES.

BENN—IMPEY.—Dec. 6th, at the Cathedral, Bombay, C. E. Benn, Esq., to Lilly, daughter of E. Impey, Esq., Postmaster-General.

BARRON—CARDOZO.—At St. Stephen's Church, Bareilly, on the 22nd Nov., Edward Barron, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, eldest son of the Rev. T. A. Barron, Leamington, to Clara Victoria, youngest daughter of the late S. Cardozo, Esq., Richmond, Surrey.

BROADBENT—MARSDEN.—At the Wesleyan Church, Cossitollah-street, on the 30th Nov., by the Rev. D. Pearson, the Rev. James H. Broadbent, B.A., to Miss Marsden, of Great Grimsby. No cards.

BOWSTEAD—ROSS.—At St. John's Church, Monaghan, on the 22nd Nov., by the Rev. J. C. Love, William Bowstead, Esq., to Caroline Ellen, eldest daughter of the late Col. Robert Ross (Bengal Army), of Balgershoe Hall, Perth, N.B. No cards.

COLLINSON—DUPASQUIER.—At St. John's Cathedral, Calcutta, on the 16th Nov., John Bowmer Collinson, Esq., Civil Assistant Surgeon, Gazeepore, to Catherine H. B. Dupasquier, youngest daughter of the late C. F. Dupasquier, Esq., of Neuchâtel.

COOPER—MCIPHERSON.—On the 16th Nov., at St. Stephen's Church, Kidderpore, Mr. William Cooper, of Bolton le Moors, Chief Engineer P. and O. Co.'s steamer *Nemesis*, to Hellen, relict of the late Captain McPherson, of Aberdeen.

COURJON—O'BRIEN.—At Calcutta, on the 23rd Nov., at St. Thomas' Church, Farge Achille Courjon, Esq., to Mary, second daughter of the late E. O'Brien, Esq.—No cards.

DAVIES—CAMPBELL.—At Rajmahal, on the 28th Nov., Lieut. T. A. Davies, 1-20th Regt., to Maria Louisa, eldest daughter of Thomas Campbell, Esq.

EZRA—EZRA.—At No. 11-1, Doontola-street, Calcutta, Dec. 4, Mr. Saleh Elias Ezra, to Miss Furrar, only daughter of the late Nussim Joseph Ezra, Esq., of Calcutta.

FRESSANGES—MEIK.—At Cuttack, on Nov. 21, S. J. Fressanges, Esq., Merchant, to Henrietta Susan, second daughter of J. P. Meik, Esq., Merchant, late Capt. in H.M.'s Army.

GEDDES—ECKFORD.—At Christ Church, Bankipore, on Nov. 24, A. D. Geddes, Esq., 27th Infantry, to Emily Jane, only daughter of G. H. Eckford, Esq., Bankipore.

GRIFFIN—KINLESIDE.—At Benares, on the 12th instant, Lieut. E. C. Griffin, R. H. Artillery, to Frances Matilda, 2nd daughter of Colonel R. R. Kinleside, Royal Artillery.

HIGHFIELD—GRINDROD.—At the Wesleyan Church, Cossitollah-street, on Nov. 30, the Rev. Henry Geo. Highfield, B.A., to Miss Grindrod, of Liverpool.

HUBBERT, P., eldest son of Dr., of Croydon, Surrey, to Elizabeth Matilda, youngest daughter of W. Burkes, of Sevenoaks, Kent, at Agra, Nov. 22.

INKSON—TAYLOR.—At Nawabgunge, Bara Bunkce, on Nov. 23, James Inkson, Esq., M.D., asst. surg. 80th regt., to Catherine Alice, eldest daughter of John Taylor, Esq., Streatham, Surrey. No cards.

LEMARCHAND—BLANSHARD.—At St. Paul's Church, Landour, on Nov. 28, John Lewis Lemarchand, Esq., to Jessie, second daughter of Maj. J. Blanshard, Bengal Army.

LOCKHART—CARDEW.—At Cannanore, on Oct. 12, William Elliot Lockhart, lieut., R.A., to Fanny Ada Clare, youngest daughter of the late Henry Clare Cardew, 94th regt.

LOWTHER, J. A. P., Captain of the ship *Fez Robanie*, to Emma, only daughter of the late Mrs. and Mr. J. Chriswick, all of Bombay, at Poona, Nov. 17.

MATHIAS, F. H., 15th Regt. M.N.I., to Margaretta Hannah Loraine, eldest daughter of J. L. Geddes, late Surgeon-general, Madras Army, at Ootacamund, Nov. 14.

MACKRODT—HINE.—At Mary Magdalene's Church, Meeran Meer, on the 1st Dec., Henry Charles Mackrodt, Esq., M.B., her Majesty's 6th Light Infantry, to Alice Sophia, eldest daughter of J. W. Hine, Esq., of the Bengal Army Commissariat Department.

MEAKIN—BUDGETT.—At the Cathedral, Calcutta, on the 29th Nov., Edward E. Meakin, Esq., to Sarah Ann, only daughter of the late Samuel Budgett, Esq., of Kingswood Hill, near Bristol.

MCLARDY—GRANT.—At St. Andrew's Kirk, Calcutta, on the 28th Nov., Hugh McLardy, Esq., of Howrah, to Jane, widow of the late J. M. Grant, Esq., of Calcutta.

PATNE—MEARES.—At Sindoorce, Nuddea, on the 22nd Nov., H. F. Payne, to Eleanor Mary, eldest daughter of George R. J. Meares, Esq.

ROBERTS, E. C., to Maud, only daughter of the late M. Sadler, in medical charge of the Kotah Agency, at Allahabad, Nov. 22.

RIMMER, J., Asst. surg., R.A., to Matilda Maria, second daughter of the late Major Marriott, H.M.'s 54th Regt., at Mussoorie, Nov.

SHORT, S., to Annie Mathilde Etienne, at Madras, Nov. 17.

SMITH—BROOKBANK.—At Rawul Pindee, on Nov. 18, Colour-Serg. Peter Smith, 79th Cameron Highlanders, to Fanny, daughter of Mr. S. Brookbank, late of Quebec, Canada.

TURNER, Capt. T. H., R.A., to Elizabeth F., daughter of the late Lieut. col. C. J. Owen, Bombay Lancers, at Byculla, Nov. 16.

TUCKER, G., merchant, Bombay, to Louisa Henrietta Josephine, eldest daughter of the late T. Gilbert, of Surrey, at Bombay, Nov. 16.

WILSON—MACGREGOR.—At St. Andrew's, Calcutta, on Nov. 18, James Wilson, Esq., of the General Assembly's Institution, to Catherine, youngest daughter of the late James Macgregor, Esq., Glasgow.

DEATHS.

BURN.—Nov. 29th, at Middle Colaba, of fever, Mary Eliza, second daughter of the late Capt. J. F. Burn.

BYRNE.—At Buxar, on the 25th Nov., Oscar Byrne, Esq., in medical charge of the Buxar and Korumtadee studs, aged 33 years and 9 months.

CRAWFORD.—At Umballa, on the 18th Nov., Major Francis Haden Crawford, 98th Regt., aged 44.

D'ARTH.—Oct. 25th, on board the steamer *Rangoon*, shortly after leaving Aden, Fred. D'Aeth, Esq., of the P. and O.S.N. Company.

DEMELLO.—Aug. 13th, Mrs. Sophia DeMello, aged 52 years.

GRAHAM.—Nov. 28th, at Bombay, Capt. John Graham.

HAWES.—At Allypurg, on November 26, Georgiana Elizabeth, the eldest daughter of Mr. James Hawes, Ressaldar, 1st Bengal Cavalry, aged 12 years and 9 months.

HICKS, R. H., infant son of Capt. W. J., Bengal Army, aged 6 months, at Moradabad, Oct. 31.

HOBBS, Mena, wife of Capt. S. H., H.M.'s 89th Regt., and daughter of the Rev. H. Murphy, D.D., Rector of Dromore, Co. Down, Ireland, at Mooltan, Nov. 14.

IVES, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. B., aged 8 months and 9 days, at Hooshungabad, Nov. 12.

JONES.—Nov. 25th, at the Adelphi Hotel, Byculla, T. S. Jones, Esq., Agent of the National Bank of India.

KERRIDGE.—On board the steamer *Persia*, Israel Kerridge, engineer, E.I.R. Co.'s service.

KING, Mary, wife of H. W., at Bombay, Oct. 18.

MACLEOD.—At Agra, on the 30th Nov., Edward Cox, the son of Lieut. col. H. B. Macleod, Royal Artillery, aged 17 months and 12 days.

MORANT.—December 4, at Akola, on his way to Kamptee, Lieutenant George William Wyndham Morant, of the 8th Madras Light Cavalry, aged 23 years.

NELSON, the wife of Sub conductor, aged 30 years, at Ahmedabad, Nov. 10.

NYX.—At Rawul Pindee, on December 1, Mary Ellen, infant daughter of Bazaar Sergeant Turner Nyx, of Rawul Pindee.

PHILLIPS, C. J., sen., aged 66 years, at Kalbadavie, Nov. 23.

ROCHE, C. B., C.E., D.P.W., Oudh, accidentally drowned in Anarkullee Jheel, Baraitch, Nov. 13.

ROURKE, T., Nov. 18.

ROSS.—At Madras, on board the steamer *Nemesis*, on November 27, Munro Ross, Esq., aged 20.

SCULTHORPE.—At Agra, on October 30, Evelina Victoria, the infant daughter of Mrs. and Mr. William Sculthorpe.

SIMPSON.—At Dacca, Nov. 14, of cholera, Alexander Simpson, Esq., M.D., Surg. maj. H.M.'s Indian Service, aged 45 years.

SMITH.—At Calcutta, Nov. 20, George, the infant son of Capt. W. Smith.

STEPHENSON.—At Dum-Dum, Nov. 23, Archie, the infant son of Cecil Stephenson.

WALKER.—At Futtchugurh, on the 22nd Nov., Marion Ellen, the infant daughter of F. A. Walker, Government Contractor, aged 5 years and 4 months.

WHITE.—At sea, on board the ship *Chantackeer*, on the 13th Oct., John Reay White, Commander of the vessel.

YATES.—Dec. 4, at Small Colaba, Henry Rogers, youngest son of the late Richard and Eliza Yates, aged 8 years and 9 months.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c., IN H.M.'s REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA.

Dec. 30.

Royal Artillery.—Staff asst. surg. J. Kelly to be asst. surg., v. J. A. Scott, whose app., as notified in the *Gazette* of Sept. 20, has been cancelled; Dec. 30.

20th Foot.—Lieut. E. H. Barlow, from the 1st West India regt., to be lieut., v. O. T. Burne, prom. to an unattached comp., without purch.; Dec. 30.

48th Foot.—Lieut. F. B. Eagle, from the rifle brig., to be lieut., v. Hume, who exchanges; Dec. 30.

54th Foot.—Lieut. L. K. Edwards to be capt., by purch., v. A. R. G. Evered, who retires; Ens. W. C. C. Erskine to be lieut., by purch., v. Edwards; W. T. Timbrell, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. Erskine; Dec. 30.

60th Foot.—Ens. C. G. Hardy to be lieut., by purch., v. T. W. M. Edmunds, who retires; T. N. Dick-Lander, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. W. Warren, prom.; Dec. 30. P. A. J. H. Johnstone, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. Hardy; Dec. 31.

77th Foot.—Lieut. H. M. Bengough to be capt., by purch., v. J. A. Staines, who retires; Ens. C. Forte to be lieut., by purch., v. Bengough; N. G. Beadnell, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. R. A. L. Walker, who retires; Dec. 30. H. F. Hurlock, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. Forte; Dec. 31.

91st Foot.—Staff asst. surg. J. A. Scott to be asst. surg., v. H. M. Macbeth, app. to the staff; Dec. 30.

93rd Foot.—Surg. W. Munro, M.D., having completed 20 yrs. full pay serv., to be surg. maj., under the provisions of the royal warrant of Oct. 1, 1858; Dec. 6.

94th Foot.—Lieut. C. French to be capt., by purch., v. W. Collum, who retires; Ens. R. L. Gwatkin to be lieut., by purch., v. French; Dec. 30.

108th Foot.—The app. of Lieut. F. W. Bedingfeld as adjt. to bear date Oct. 7, and not 11th ult., as previously stated.

Rifle Brigade.—Lieut. C. W. Hume, from the 48th foot, to be lieut., v. Eagle, who exchanges; Staff surg. J. B. C. Reade to be surg., v. J. T. La Presle, dec.; Dec. 30.

Jan. 3.

7th Hussars.—Lieut. A. Peel, from 101st foot, to be lieut., v. Pedder, who exch.; Oct. 18.

20th Foot.—Lieut. C. K. Chatfield to be capt., without purch., v. the Hon. A. E. P. Vereker, dec.; Ensign J. Whybrow to be lieut., without purch., v. Chatfield; Gent. cadet W. A. Headeck, from Royal Military College, to be ensign, without purch., v. Whybrow; Jan. 3.

48th Foot.—Lieut. H. H. Oldham, from 101st foot, to be lieut., v. Hatton, who exch.; Oct. 20.

52nd Foot.—Ensign H. C. H. Gwynne-Holford, from 87th foot, to be ensign, v. H. J. L. Bruce, prom.; Jan. 3.

79th Foot.—Lieut. G. Quin, from 101st foot, to be lieut., v. Birch, who exch.; Oct. 20.

80th Foot.—Gent. cadet A. S. Wilson, from the Royal Military College, to be ensign, by purch., v. J. R. Macey, who retires; Jan. 3.

82nd Foot.—Lieut. F. Cardew, from 104th foot, to be lieut., v. Bunbury, who exch.; Oct. 20.

94th Foot.—Lieut. P. R. Anstruther to be capt., by purch., v. R. W. Cox, who retires; Ensign W. E. Montague to be lieut., by purch., v. Anstruther; F. M. Stow, gent., to be ensign, by purch., v. R. L. Gwatkin, prom.; Jan. 3.

101st Foot.—Lieut. H. B. Pedder, from 7th hussars, to be lieut., v. Peel, who exch.; Oct. 18. Lieut. A. J. C. Birch, from 79th foot, to be lieut., v. Quin, who exch.; Lieut. W. B. Hatton, from 48th foot, to be lieut., v. Oldham, who exch.; Oct. 20.

102nd Foot.—Gent. cadet S. D. Turnbull, from Royal Military College, to be ensign, v. St. J. Green, prom.; Jan. 3.

104th Foot.—Lieut. W. R. Bunbury, from 82nd foot, to be lieut., v. Cardew, who exch.; Oct. 20.

SPECIE TO THE EAST.—The shipments of specie by the Peninsular and Oriental steamer *Delhi* represent only £38,302, of which the proportions are:—£29,602 to Madras, £7,600 to Alexandria, £600 to Yokohama, and £500 to Shanghai.

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RETROSPECT OF THE YEAR 1864.

THE close of the year 1863 was saddened throughout British India by the death of the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, the Governor-general. His brief Indian career ended with his life, on the 20th of November. No time was lost in appointing his successor. In the interim, between the death of Lord Elgin and the arrival in India of Sir John Lawrence, his Excellency Sir William Denison acted as Governor-general.

Sir John Lawrence arrived at Madras on his way to Calcutta on the 9th of January. He was unable to land there on account of the heavy surf upon the beach.

His Excellency Sir John Lawrence, Viceroy of India, landed at Calcutta on the 12th of January. He was received with great ceremony and a hearty welcome. The British Indian community were upon the whole delighted with the selection of such a man for their Governor. A few of the local papers, however, both native and European, were prejudiced against him on account of his Exeter-hall proclivities, and the erroneous general impression that he agreed with Sir Herbert Edwardes as to the duty of forcing Christianity upon the Hindoos. Sir John Lawrence was undoubtedly as anxious to spread Christianity in the East as Sir Herbert Edwardes, but was disposed to be a little more cautious about the means. He proposed to have Bible classes in the Colleges, but to make it quite optional with the students whether they should attend them or not. What Sir John Lawrence as a private individual might have wished to do was a very different question from what he would actually attempt to do when he became her Majesty's representative in the East, and had to govern a hundred and fifty millions of human beings who were as satisfied of the truth of their own religion as Christians are of theirs.

His Excellency held his first levee on the 16th of January, and opened the Calcutta Agricultural Exhibition three days after. The Exhibition was a decided success. The Benares Exhibition had been opened on the 4th of January. The Punjab Exhibition was opened on the 20th of the same month.

One of the noisiest events connected with the history of India at the commencement of the year 1864 was the Court-martial at Aldershot upon Lieutenant-colonel Crawley, of the 6th (Inniskilling) Dragoons. He was fully and honourably acquitted of the charges brought

against him. The Court-martial at Aldershot was forced upon the authorities at home in consequence of the general feeling throughout India that Colonel Crawley had been guilty of extreme inhumanity towards Sergeant-major Lilley, who died under close arrest, and of outraging the feelings of the officers under his command by unbearable rudeness and unnecessary severity. This famous Court-martial excited extraordinary interest, not only on account of Colonel Crawley and his officers personally, and the important question of whether a non-commissioned officer or private could be placed entirely at the mercy of his commanding officer without any chance of redress for the most vindictive injuries, but because the reputation for judgment and good conduct of the very highest military authorities both in India and at home was more or less involved in the manner in which the Crawley case had been managed at Mhow. It was thought by some that Sir Hugh Rose and Sir William Mansfield, and even his Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, had all acted inconsistently and indiscreetly in relation to the various circumstances connected with the case. The decision, however, of the Court-martial at Aldershot brought the whole question to an end, and relieved the authorities from a rather awkward position. This Court-martial cost the State a large sum of money; for all the witnesses brought from India had their expenses paid, and the officers and men were on full pay during their residence at home.

This year the famous Scotch missionary, Dr. Alexander Duff, took leave of his brother missionaries in India and of the Indian public generally, in a long farewell-letter, which occupied an entire Supplement of the *Bengal Hurkaru*. Dr. Duff had spent thirty-four years of his life in India, during which period he had devoted all his thoughts, all his time, all his energies, to the cause of Christianity. It was proposed by his friends and admirers that a public subscription should be raised for the purpose of commemorating his merits by the erection of what was to be called a Memorial Hall, in a very classical and noble style of architecture, for the use of Christian Lecturers. It was to be an exact copy of the Maison Carrée, at Nîmes. The Bishop of Calcutta and Sir Charles Trevelyan did their best to organise the subscription for this purpose, but the attempt was unsuccessful, and the scheme has been abandoned.

At the commencement of this year the Indian Government formally recognised Sirdar Shere Ali Khan as Ameer of Afghanistan.

The new organisation of the Native Army of Bombay was published in the Official Gazette in January last. The European officers with each native regiment were reduced to six in number, all of whom were to be mounted officers, forming the regimental staff—namely, a commandant, two wing commandants, an adjutant, a quartermaster, and a "doing duty officer." All the captains and subalterns were to be native officers. The Bombay Native Army was thus, in fact, put on what is called the irregular system.

General George St. Patrick Lawrence, C.B., Governor-general's Agent for Rajpootana, was directed by Government to present the insignia of the Star of India to his Highness the Maharajah of Jeypoor. The ceremony took

place on the 12th of March, at Ajmere, and was conducted with great formality and splendour.

A grand durbar was held at Government-house, Bombay, on the 13th of January, for the reception of his Highness Khandeh Row, Guicowar of Baroda, Knight of the Exalted Star of India. Sir Bartle Frere received his Highness with marks of high distinction. On his arrival and departure he was honoured with a salute of twenty-one guns. The object of his visit was to confer with Sir Bartle Frere on the subject of the adoption of an heir to his throne, his Highness having no issue.

The truly munificent Parsee, Rustomjee Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, set apart at the commencement of this year Rs. 150,000 for the encouragement and support of five native candidates from either of the Presidencies of Bengal, Madras, or Bombay, for education and legal training in England to fit them for being members of the Bar in India.

Dr. Tonnerre was elected and appointed Health Officer of Calcutta in January last.

The laying of the foundation stone of the Lawrence Memorial at Lucknow took place on the evening of the 2nd of January.

Sorabjee Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy contributed the sum of Rs. 65,000 towards the erection of a suitable building for a college at Surat.

In February last the Army Amalgamation Inquiry Committee laid their Report on the table of the House of Commons. The contents were soon made public. The Commissioners admitted that there were some solid grounds for the dissatisfaction of the officers of the Bengal Army, who complained that, in its reorganisation after India had been transferred from the East India Company to the Crown, the pledge of Parliament that they should suffer no loss of pay, or privilege, or promotion from the change, had been broken by some of the new arrangements. Sir Charles Wood, however, did not carry out the recommendations of the Commissioners to the satisfaction of the Bengal Army, which is still in a state of extreme discontent. As Sir Charles Wood lately rectified the errors of the Medical Warrant, which excited such general indignation, not in the Medical Service only, but amongst all classes throughout both India and England, and issued new Regulations for the Indian Medical Service on a scale of extreme liberality, the Bengal Army may hope that their case also will be carefully reconsidered, and that all their real grievances will be remedied.

Sir Bartle Frere, the Governor of Bombay, on a visit to Guzerat, was received with strong demonstrations of public respect. A grand state carriage had been built expressly for his accommodation, with large mirrors at each end. He passed under triumphal arches erected in his honour at considerable cost.

The natives of Bombay liberally subscribed Rs. 1,70,000, for the purpose of establishing a Fellowship in connection with the Bombay University, to be called "The Canning Fellowship."

Early in this year the Governor-general appointed a Sanitary Commission for the Military Stations in the Bengal Presidency. Similar Commissions were appointed at Fort St. George and Bombay.

The Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway was completed early this year, to the great satisfaction of the Bombay Government.

A new and gigantic undertaking at Bombay has been commenced—the Reclamation of Back Bay. The cost will be enormous, but there is no want of speculators to meet it. The shares were allotted on the 2nd of July. They rapidly rose to a premium of Rs. 30,000.

The Lieutenant-governor of Bengal issued an order in March last that no more dead bodies should be thrown into the Hooghly River off Calcutta.

Some time before the expedition to the Umbeyla Pass a number of Moulvies at Patna had been in treasonable correspondence with the Sittana fanatics. They raised money and men to aid them. One of their emissaries was arrested, and made a confession regarding his employers. Two of the conspirators were condemned to death, and nine others to transportation for life.

His Highness Maharajah Dhuleep Singh reached Bombay on the 6th of March. He soon after returned to England overland, staying some time in Egypt. He took the remains of his late mother to the shores of India, in accordance with her dying request; but being a Christian he declined taking part in the funeral ceremonies after the Hindoo fashion.

The Governor-general gave his sanction this year to the proposed lines of railway connecting the Bombay Presidency with the North-West Provinces.

Sir Charles Trevelyan's Indian Budget for the year 1863-64 represented the actual revenue as £44,753,000, and the actual expenditure as £44,722,000. The estimated revenue for 1864-65 was £46,160,000, the estimated expenditure £45,340,000. The estimated cost of the Sittana expedition was £200,000.

On the 24th of March Mr. Janvirs, a missionary, was murdered at Nundpore, in the district of Hoshiarpore, by a fanatical Sikh, named Bhag Sing, who suddenly felled him to the ground with a heavy club. The murderer had no personal ill-will to the missionary, but had resolved to revenge some insults or injuries received from the English, on the first opportunity which presented itself.

The Hon. Mr. Eden at the beginning of the year was sent on a mission to Bhootan. He received all sorts of discouragements in his progress, and when he arrived at Bhootan he was most grossly insulted by the Bhootan authorities. He was called upon to sign a treaty of absurd pretensions, and on his refusal had his hair pulled in open durbar and chewed beetel was forced into his mouth. The Governor-general, resolved to punish these savages, has prepared a strong force, native and European, for that purpose.

The Governor-general left Calcutta for Simla on the 15th of April. His Council shortly after followed.

The Persian Gulf Telegraph Cable from Kurrachee to Fao has been successfully completed.

A new College, called the Canning College, was opened at Lucknow on the 2nd of May. It was founded by the Talookdars of the province.

In the High Court of Bombay, on the 2nd of May last, the Judge (Sir Joseph Arnould) ruled that a Hindoo had might be considered to have arrived at years of discretion at the age of fourteen. A boy of the name of

Dhumimoo was, therefore, allowed to remain at his pleasure with his missionary friends in spite of the earnest objections of his disappointed parent.

The Rev. Isadore Loewenthal was shot at Peshawur by his own durwan or guard, who, hearing him moving about at night, mistook him for a robber. The durwan was tried and sentenced to two years' rigorous confinement for "culpable homicide." Mr. Loewenthal was a distinguished Oriental scholar.

His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-general held a durbar at Simla on the 15th of June, for the reception of the Chiefs of the Hill States.

In July the Governor-general published a long despatch from Sir Charles Wood embodying the new rules under which officers are to be admitted to the Staff Corps of the three Presidencies.

In July the local authorities decided that a sovereign should pass in India for ten rupees, but legislative effect was not to be given to the decision until a reference had been made to Sir Charles Wood.

The 18th Madras Native Infantry was this year disbanded on account of a robbery of the regimental treasury chest of Rs. 12,000, a subadar-major, four havildars, and four privates being implicated in the transaction, with the connivance or knowledge, it was supposed, of other parties in the regiment.

The Madras Army was reduced by four regiments, the 42nd, 43rd, 44th, and the 18th, which was made the fourth, and was broken up in disgrace.

On the 5th of October there occurred in Calcutta the most terrific hurricane or cyclone recorded in the history of India. About 150 ships were driven from their moorings; about twenty of these were total wrecks. Many European lives were lost, and some thousands of natives. The shore of the Hooghly was strewn with melancholy proofs of the extent of the calamity. Much of the land between Calcutta and Diamond Harbour was inundated, and thousands of the poor villagers were reduced to utter destitution by the loss of their crops, their houses, and their cattle. The Europeans of Calcutta at once subscribed very liberally for their relief, but were indignant at finding that no corresponding aid or sympathy was offered by the wealthier classes of the native community of Bengal. The Parsees at Bombay the very day on which they heard of the calamity, with their usual munificence, subscribed a lac and twenty thousand rupees to relieve the sufferers. The cyclone subsequently extended to the Madras coast. No precise account of the loss of life in the two Presidencies has yet been given, but it is supposed that at least 14,000 natives were drowned or destroyed. Nearly a hundred thousand huts and houses were more or less injured. The Botanical Gardens of Calcutta were a sad wreck. The noblest trees were prostrate, with their roots in the air. The beautiful park at Barrackpore was also destroyed, and the greater part of the fine avenue of trees on the Barrackpore Road. The Calcutta subscriptions to the Relief Fund soon amounted to Rs. 57,148. The Parsees at one meeting contributed a lac of rupees, and Rs. 5,000 were subscribed at Madras. It was about a month after the Calcutta cyclone

that the Madras coast was visited by a similar hurricane, and had to provide for its own sufferers.

Sir John Lawrence held his grand durbar at Lahore on the 18th of October, when 600 Princes and Chiefs attended to pay their respects to the Queen of England's representative in India. The scene was truly magnificent. The Governor-general addressed the assembly in Hindostanee.

On the 19th of October—the day after that splendid pageant, the High Durbar at Lahore—Sir John Lawrence inaugurated the opening of the Railway Line from Lahore to Mooltan. The Maharajah of Cashmere was present, and placed in the hands of the Governor-general Rs. 2,500, to be distributed amongst the employes on the line.

Afghanistan is in a state of civil war. The Ameer treacherously made a prisoner of his brother, Ufzul Khan, who had been in arms against him, but had proposed an interview with a view to an amicable arrangement.

Mr. Maine on the 4th of November introduced into the Legislative Council of Bengal a proposition for a law of divorce for the relief of Native Christians when their wives or husbands refused to live with them. The proposition was received with unanimous approbation in the Council Room, but outside there is much diversity of opinion, moral, political, and religious, on the propriety of such a law. Mr. Maine has also proposed a law for the abolition of Grand Juries at the Presidency Towns. This also is a subject of much dispute, and the law is likely, if passed, to give considerable dissatisfaction.

In November there was a report of serious disturbances in Nepaul, and it was said that Jung Bahadoor had been placed under arrest by the King's party. Some letters from a Captain Gatoo addressed to the Maharajah, proposing plans for the assistance of the Bhootas, are said to have been intercepted.

On the 12th of November the Governor-general issued his Proclamation against the Bhootan Government. For the insult to the British Envoy and for refusing to deliver up certain captives and property unlawfully obtained, the British Government has resolved to withhold for ever the annual payments previously made to the Bhootan State on account of the revenues of the Assam Dooars and Ambaree Falakotta, which had been long in the occupation of the British Government. They are now to be annexed permanently to the British possessions, and so much also of the Hill territory as may be necessary to command the Passes.

Intelligence respecting the Bhootan force has been received from Calcutta to December 12th. The fortress of Delimcote or Dalimcote has been captured with the loss on our side of two officers and fifty men. Three of our officers were killed by an accidental explosion of powder.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Nowgong Tea Company.—A prospectus has been issued of the Nowgong Tea Company of Assam, with a capital of £250,000, half to be first subscribed, in shares of £10. The object is to purchase thirteen estates, consisting of 12,000 acres, of which 2,182 are planted. The price is £163,000, in instalments extending over six years.

CHALLENGE TO FIGHT A DUEL.—Major Lumley, a retired officer of the Bengal Army, residing at 23, Kildare-gardens, Westbourne-park, has been committed by the Lord Mayor to stand his trial on a charge of having challenged Mr. Desborough, Junr., a solicitor, to fight a duel, and secondly of having threatened him with personal chastisement. Maj. Lumley defended himself with great ability, and proved that he had received gross provocation, but, as he declined to apologise for his attempted violation of the police laws, the Lord Mayor had no alternative but to send the case for trial, admitting the defendant to bail, himself in £250, and one surety in £250.

GALLANT LIFE-BOAT SERVICES.—**MUNIFICENCE OF BOMBAY MERCHANTS.**—I have to report (writes Mr. James Riches, of Palling, Norfolk) the following gallant services of the life-boat stationed at this place belonging to the National Institution:—"About twelve o'clock on the night of the 22nd December a vessel came on shore on Palling Beach. It was blowing a gale of wind from the north-east at the time, with a very heavy sea on. The crew of the life-boat were at once mustered, and with great difficulty, after having had to launch the life-boat three times, they succeeded in reaching the wreck, and in taking off the shipwrecked crew, six in number. When brought on shore they were in a very exhausted condition. The vessel proved to be the schooner *Idas*, of Dantzic, bound from that port to Dunkirk with seed." The cost of this life-boat and her carriage, together with a sum to provide for her future maintenance, amounting in all to the sum of £2,000, was munificently presented to the National Life-boat Institution by the firm of Cama and Co., Parsee merchants of Bombay, in acknowledgment of their success in business since their establishment in London in 1855, and in testimony of the uniform kindness and courtesy which they had received from the inhabitants of the British metropolis. The institution accordingly named the boat the Parsee to perpetuate the generous act of the donors.

ORIENTAL INLAND STEAM COMPANY (LIMITED).—The ninth annual general meeting of the proprietors of this company was held on the 29th December, at the London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street; Mr. John Rogerson occupied the chair. The report having been taken as read, the Chairman, in moving its adoption, said that the total liabilities of the company at the present moment were £72,000, and it was the £45,000 bonds which had been taken which had preserved the credit of the company. The trustees had received £5,000 towards the redemption of the bonds, and there were at the present time £15,000 still to issue, which would clear the whole of the liabilities of the company. The assets in India amounted to £6,000, and the shareholders in arrear £64,000. The total assets to meet the £72,000 liabilities was £79,000. In addition to which they had the whole of the plant, stock, and boats at Calcutta, which made a total of £124,000. With regard to the general assets, they had not at present been enabled to make an accurate balance. Since the date of the report the *Loanne* had been working upon the Indus, and there was no doubt that there would be sufficient employment for the boats. Mr. Bolton seconded the motion, and it was carried. Mr. J. C. Bolton and Mr. W. J. Hare having been re-elected directors, the proceedings were brought to a close with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

BILLS ON INDIA.—The biddings for £300,000 in bills on India took place at the Bank of England on Wednesday, the 4th. The proportions allotted were—to Calcutta, £173,300; to Bombay, £120,000; and to Madras, £6,700. The minimum price was as before, 1s. 11½d. on Calcutta and Madras, and 1s. 11½d. on Bombay. The applications within the limits amounted to £710,000. Tenders on Calcutta and Madras at 1s. 11½d.

will receive about 7 per cent., and on Bombay at 2s. about 76 per cent. Above these prices in full. These results indicate an increased demand for means of remittance to Calcutta, and a diminished demand for Bombay.

MUNIFICENT HEBREWS.—Messrs. A. and D. Sassoon have contributed the princely sum of £1,000 for the support of the Newmarket-street Refuge for the Homeless Poor.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 27. Marengo, Penang, Slave, Japan.—29. Hesperus, Mauritius.—30. Algernon, Colombo; Rosalie, Rangoon; C. H. Soule, Singapore; Johannes, Rangoon; Lady Douglas, Moulmein.—Jan. 1, 1865. Lobelia, Calcutta; Coruwallis, Calcutta.—2. Mistress of the Seas, Bombay.—3. Darmstadter Bank, Moulmein.—4. Peninsula, Kurrachee; Simla, Calcutta; City of Ningpo, Calcutta; Henry Reed, Calcutta; Annie Frost, Calcutta; Sea Flower, Calcutta.—5. Robert Mackenzie, Calcutta; Selina, Madras; Eddystone, Singapore; Magnificent, Calcutta.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 25. Bristolian, Bombay.—27. Thomas Brocklebank, Calcutta; Cicero, Bepore; Bristol, Bombay.—28. Woodcote, Madras; Warwick Castle, Calcutta; Shields, Ceylon.—29. Simla, Calcutta; Clamerton, Bombay; Queen of the Lakes, Bombay.—Jan. 2. Echo, Colombo.—3. Rubens, Bombay.—4. Eurydice, Bombay; Punjab, Kurrachee.

CASUALTIES.

The *Havering*, from London to Bombay, was towed into Lisbon Dec. 22, very leaky. She will probably have to be hove down for thorough repair.
Liverpool, Jan. 4.—The *David Cannon* came into collision with the *North-East*, for Calcutta, which vessel has put back with loss of bowsprit, &c.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Overland Route, Dec. 27.—**SOUTHAMPTON TO GIBRALTAR.**—Mr. G. Lewis. **SOUTHAMPTON TO MALTA.**—Ens. Gerard, Mrs. Hartley and infant. **MARSEILLES TO MALTA.**—Mrs. Goodenough. **SOUTHAMPTON TO ALEXANDRIA.**—Rev. C. Floyd, Mr. R. Cotton, Mr. W. F. Humberton. **MARSEILLES TO ALEXANDRIA.**—Mr. Hayter, Mr. Graham, Mr. Harwickshaw, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Timm. **SOUTHAMPTON TO SUZ.**—Lieut. C. G. Burlton, R.N. **SOUTHAMPTON TO BOMBAY.**—Mr. H. Macdowell, Mrs. Reynolds and two daughters, Mr. C. Andrews, Mr. Eden, Mr. Dangerfield, Mr. Geddes, Mr. H. J. Case, Mr. and Mrs. Duxbury. **MARSEILLES TO BOMBAY.**—Lieut. Col. Forbes, C.B., Mr. Steel, Mr. C. Osgulden, Mr. A. E. Ashley, Lieut. Col. Walker, Ruttonjee Bomanjee, Maj. Sandwith, Mr. and Mrs. Newlands, Mr. Price, Capt. Hawthorn, Mr. Cowasjee, Shapoorjee Melita. **SOUTHAMPTON TO HONG KONG.**—Mr. W. H. Fraser.

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DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

BAX, the wife of J. H., C.B., Bengal C.S., premature of a daughter, at Cheltenham, Dec. 29.
DUNLOR, the wife of R. H. Wallace, C.B., Bengal C.S., of a daughter, at Leys Castle, Inverness, Dec. 22.

NELL, the wife of Charles B. T., H.M.'s 102nd Foot, Royal Madras Fusiliers, of a son, at Budleigh Salterton, South Devon.

MARRIAGES.

REED, George Wilson, son of William, of Winter Lodge, Kensington, to Florence E., daughter of the late Capt. H. H. Mimardière, of H.M.'s Madras Army, at St. Peter's, Hammersmith, Dec. 29.

PENNINGTON, Edwin G., to Etty de Vere, daughter of the late G. H. M. Alexander, Esq., Bengal C.S., at St. Saviour's, Paddington, Dec. 31.

DEATHS.

BEEK, William H., Lieut. Madras N.I., at Leghorn, aged 24, Dec. 29.
BURT, Lieut. Col. Henry W., late of the Bengal Army, at 115, George-street, Edinburgh, Dec. 31.
CONOLLY, Capt. William P., H.M.'s Bengal Staff Corps, at Brighton, aged 36, Dec. 23.
DANIELL, Murray W., Lieut. Royal Bengal Artillery, at Brighton, aged 22, Dec. 24.
GOULDSBURY, Francis, late of the Bengal C.S., at 48, Marine Parade, Worthing, aged 61, Dec. 22.
HADOW, Stuart J., son of the Rev. W. T., late Asst. Superint. Bengal Military Police at Nowaddeh, at Haseley Rectory, near Warwick, aged 25, Dec. 22.
JACKSON, Capt. William, late of the Bengal Marine, at Weymouth Cottage, Bury Cross, Gosport, aged 51, Dec. 22.
LAWRIE, Frances, wife of the Rev. Joseph, D.D., H.M.'s Bombay Service, at Hotwells, Bristol, Jan. 2.
RUSSELL, Mary Ann, widow of Lieut. Col. R. H., 8th Madras L.C., at 18, Wilton-place, Jan. 2.
SOUTER, Thomas G., Major Bengal Staff Corps, at 18, Pembroke-villas, London, aged 39, Dec. 30.
SPARKES, John Say, late H.E.I.C.S., at Wellington-terrace, St. John's-wood, aged 64, Dec. 28.
WALLACE, Robert T., late H.E.I.C.S., at The Lodge, Carshalton, aged 83, Dec. 26.

India Office,

January 5, 1865.

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Bengal Estab.—Mr. C. J. Powlett; Mr. L. C. Probyn; Mr. W. J. Platts (Uncov.).
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Bombay Estab.—Mr. A. D. Robertson; Mr. A. Cowan (Uncov.).

ECCLIESIASTICAL.

Bengal Estab.—Rev. T. Moore, Junior Chaplain, on m.c.; arrived Dec. 22.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Asst. surg. N. G. Grant, Med. Estab.; Lieut. col. R. Renny, Staff Corps; Maj. W. H. Binney, Staff Corps; Lieut. C. B. Constable, 17th N.I.; Capt. R. Stothert, 4th N.I.
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Bombay Estab.—Maj. F. Schneider, Staff Corps; Lieut. A. C. Hunter, 17th N.I.; Lieut. P. A. Browne, Staff Corps.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

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MILITARY.

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PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

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MILITARY.

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Madras Estab.—Lieut. W. G. Ward, 36th N.I.; Capt. C. L. Pereira, Staff Corps; Lieut. col. A. Cooper, 46th N.I.
Bombay Estab.—Lieut. Sir J. Louis, Bart., 3rd Eur. Regt.

PERMITTED TO RESIGN.

CIVIL.

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PERMITTED TO RETIRE.

MILITARY.

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40	New	30	65 to 67
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30	Ditto, New	all	16 pm.
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31st January, 1866	...	20,000
31st " 1867	...	25,000
31st " 1868	...	30,000
31st " 1869	...	35,000
31st " 1870	...	38,000
		£163,000

These terms the Directors consider to be most advantageous, as, while they show the confidence of the vendors in the value of the property, the easy instalments as to payments will enable the young plants to grow up into full bearing, and to yield large returns before the greater part of the capital is called up.

The undertaking originates with the Directors and their friends. No promotion money will be paid to anyone, either directly or indirectly, and the preliminary expenses will be strictly confined to such as are absolutely necessary.

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Two years old	...	537 "
One year old	...	159 "
Just planted	...	200 "

Total 1,117 acres

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DATES OF ADVICES.

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Mails for the Meite raman, and all parts of India and China, except the Bombay Presidency, are despatched via Southampton on the mornings of the 4th and 20th, or, when either of these dates falls on Sunday, upon the previous evening.

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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

We are in possession of news from Calcutta of as late a date as the 8th of December. The chief item of strictly local intelligence appears to have been the destruction by fire of the good ship *Lincolnshire*, of 1,200 tons burden. This ill-fated vessel was lying at the time in the Hooghly Dock, undergoing repair of the damages she sustained during the late cyclone, when she was swept from her moorings off Kidderpore, carried up the river, and finally stranded on the Cossipore bank. The cargo on board consisted of 4,000 bags of rice, sugar, and seeds, valued at Rs. 30,000, and must have been considerably damaged by water, if not by fire, as the ship was scuttled after being burned to a mere shell. The cause of the fire is unknown.

The only news from the Bhootan expedition is a telegram from Colonel Haughton to the Lieutenant-governor of Bengal, announcing the forward movement of the troops. The stockade at Cheechootha was found unoccupied, nor were there any signs of the Bhootahs in any direction.

The Calcutta papers rejoice in the probability that the Dalhousie Institute will ere long obtain a local habitation as well as a name. It was expected that the foundation-stone would be laid by the Governor-general in person on New Year's-day, and the building is to be completed by the 1st Nov. next, the anniversary of the transfer of the Government of India to the British Crown. The site selected is Tank-square, which is to be made a fashionable promenade, until the Eden Gardens have recovered from their present state of desolation.

The great question of the day is, of course, the proposed abolition of grand juries, about which we may have something to say in our next number. It is not easy, however, to arrive at an impartial and just conclusion after listening to the fierce and violent declamations of the local press. Although the cold season had set in, the editorial temperature, both in Hare-street and at Serampore, seems to have been at the boiling point.

H.M.'s steam-ship *Feroze*, with Lady

Lawrence on board, anchored off Diamond Harbour about 5 P.M. on the 7th December. His Excellency the Governor-general went down the river the same day on board H.M.'s steamer *Celerity*, and returned to Calcutta, accompanied by Lady Lawrence, on the morning of the 8th.

The Commander-in-Chief, though still detained at Meerut by the consequences of his late accident, is reported to be doing well. The Bishop of Calcutta was also at Meerut on the 28th of November. A few days previously his lordship confirmed seventy native converts, the rite being celebrated through the medium of Hindustani. An ordination was held on the 27th, at which nine candidates presented themselves.

Small-pox is described as raging at Umritsur and Lahore. Popular superstition is still strongly opposed to vaccination. The priests are said to regard the use of vaccine matter, coming from the cow, as an impious and sacrilegious act. The Hindoo also objects to be vaccinated from a Mussulman, and a high-caste man will have nothing in common with a mehtur or any other low-caste men. But where these prejudices have been overcome, as in Scinde, the most satisfactory result is reported. The "striking effects of vaccination," says a writer in the *Delhi Gazette*, "are to be read in the faces of the rising generation, for while nearly every adult is marked with small-pox, a large portion of the population, below ten years of age, has been vaccinated and has escaped the disease."

Upwards of £50,000 has been subscribed in Madras and Bombay for the relief of the sufferers by the cyclone at Masulipatam. The latter Presidency has in this instance likewise, displayed its characteristic liberality.

The progress of wealth and luxury at Bombay affects persons with limited incomes very injuriously. The Presidency town itself is said to have become uninhabitable by any married couple possessing less than £1,200 a year. Some native capitalists have accordingly purchased the village of Coola, where they propose to erect dwelling-houses suitable for English resi-

dents with comparatively humble means. Enormous fortunes are sometimes made in the share market, which remind one of the days of Law's Mississippi Scheme, or of our own South Sea Bubble. One very successful speculator is reported to have cleared £300,000 in one month, and Back Bay shares are quoted at Rs. 28,000.

The death of the late Lieut.-Colonel W. Hough, formerly Deputy-judge-advocate-general of the Bengal army, demands a more ample notice than a mere line in the obituary. Colonel Hough was the author of many valuable works on Military Law, which have long been quoted with respect and deference. Of the regular *habitués* of the Oriental Club few men were more generally esteemed. He died in the 75th year of his age.

We have to apologise for the delay that has occurred in the publication of the Indian Army and Civil Service List. It has been solely caused by the necessity for awaiting the receipt from India of the *Gazette* containing the alterations, &c., consequent upon Sir C. Wood's despatch to the Government of India, dated June 17th, 1864. This information is at last in our hands, and the Army List will accordingly be issued in ten days or a fortnight.

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Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

BENGAL.—Maj. gen. Sir Charles Hopkinson, C.B., late of H.M.'s Indian Army, at 2, King-street, St. James's, Dec. 17. Lieut. J. S. Obholant, Adj. 5th Goorkha Regt., Bengal Presidency, on board the Simla, near Aden, on his passage home, aged 26, Nov. 24. Lieut. col. W. Hough, retired list, Bengal Army, Jan. 3. G. L. Wilkins, Esq., at Allahabad, Nov. 13. Lieut. E. D. O'Rourke of the 3rd Batt. 60th Royal Rifles, lost on board the steamship Persia, in the Bay of Bengal, Oct. 5. Lieut. gen. M. Combs Paul, H.M.'s Indian Army (Bengal), at No. 43, Harewood-square, aged 74, Jan. 7.

MADRAS.—Maj. E. G. Wood, H.M.'s Madras Staff Corps, at Capri, in the Bay of Naples, Nov. 29. Capt. G. G. J. Campbell, Madras Art., Jan. 6.

Passengers by the present Mail.

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Expected at Southampton.

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BENGAL.

LIGHTHOUSES IN THE BAY OF BENGAL.

We (*Hurkaru*) have received a copy of Captain A. Fraser's "Reports on the Operations at the Alguada Reef, Double Island, and Cocos Island Lighthouses for the year 1863-64." The work has been pushed on with the greatest energy during the past season, and, as far as the Alguada Reef is concerned, fast draws to a successful conclusion. The work actually performed is thus described:—

"The work done during the season is represented by 1,600 tons of stone (granite) landed on the Reef, raised on and set in the building which has risen from 36 feet, the height at the beginning of the season, to 131 feet, its present height. The lighthouse will be 144 feet 3 inches to the top of the parapet when complete."

This is most creditable to all concerned. The lighthouse on Double Island has also progressed well, and Captain Fraser speaks hopefully of both this and the light on the Alguada Reef:—

"If nothing unforeseen occurs, and the light apparatus of both be in time, I have no doubt that in January next we shall be able to illuminate both this and the Alguada Reef Lighthouse."

The lantern for the Alguada Reef Light was delivered early in May last at Heingyee by the steamer *Arracan*, so that mariners may look for its warning beams in a month or two.

It has been determined to change the original site of the lighthouse on the Cocos Island from the North-Western to the Southern extremity of Table Island. The new site is thus described:—

"It is situated on the southern extremity of Table Island. It is pretty level, and has just enough space on it for the proposed buildings. It is 118 feet above the highest tides.

"A spur running from it to the sea shore ends in an abrupt rock 12 feet above the shore, at the foot of which is the best landing place in the island.

"I say the best, but in truth it is but an indifferent one, but the whole island is so encircled by rocks, reefs, and rocky shoals, that to find any suitable landing place at all is difficult."

"The spot I have mentioned, however, will answer for landing materials. By erecting three cranes, one on the rocks at the water's edge, one on the rock I mentioned as 12 feet high, and one half way up the abrupt declivity, materials can be lifted to the end of the spur and transported along a tramway which will have to be laid down a distance of 1,010 feet to lighthouse site."

Captain Fraser hopes to have this lighthouse also completed within the year 1865, but complains of the want of bricks. He is not disposed to rely upon the Burmese bricks, and suggests that the *Tubal Cain* or some other vessel, plying between Calcutta and Port Blair, should take down about half a lac of bricks per trip, which would do away with all doubts as to finishing the work quickly. We think the authorities might take the hint, and improve upon it, so as to finish the work they have undertaken at these islands, as nearly as possible, at the same time, and without breaking up an excellent and well-trained establishment accustomed to the work in hand. Captain Fraser and the officers under him deserve great praise for the energetic way in which they have carried out, almost to completion, a work replete with difficulties of no ordinary kind, as the subjoined extract will show:—

"The small quantity of work to the stone buildings remaining, and which I wished to finish off this season, would have been completed had it not unfortunately happened that, as we were getting up the 71st course, on the 2nd May, the heaviest roll I have ever seen came on. Not a thing could be done. The strongly built forges were washed away (this was the second time this had happened during the season). The sea was washing into the men's barrack, and they were obliged to take refuge in the lighthouse, where two of the floors had been prepared for an occasion of the kind, and on the 4th May it was so bad that the men being neither able to cook nor work, I requested Captain Baker to get them off;

and when I say that some of the rollers rolled 5 feet deep over the rock, the Government will understand the difficulty and danger of this process. All the men were, however, got off safely, and we went into Heingyee, the steamer towing No. 3 lighter which had lost her rudder. These heavy rolls are very curious and very unpleasant. We had them, more or less severe, three times this season. They come on suddenly in (overhead) the finest weather, and generally last three or four days. The morning of the 2nd May was quite fine, and we had been landing stones; in an hour the sea was at times rolling heavily over the reef, sweeping everything not secured, or not heavy enough to resist, away. Lieutenant MacNeile and myself often congratulate ourselves in having that first season 1859-60—living in a tent on the reef, cutting out the foundation,—escaped one of these heavy rolls, for had one of them come on while there was no lighthouse or even barrack to go to, we must have been with all our men carried off the reef."

OUR ANNEXATION POLICY.

About one-third of the continent of India, and, probably, a fourth or a fifth part of its inhabitants, belong to what are styled Native States. The majority of these are feudatories or vassals of the Empire, but in a few the prince exercises sovereign power almost with entire independence. There are, it is estimated, about two hundred of these kingdoms or principalities, varying in extent from realms whose area equals that of Great Britain to the popular notion of the dominions of a German Court. Till lately, we interfered with the internal management of these States as suited our convenience; and generally, we must confess, we did so far as our own aggrandisement. The State which was to be absorbed was gradually prepared for the process of deglutition. We began by forcing upon it what were somewhat facetiously termed, "friendly relations;" then we entangled it in a treaty, next forced upon it a Political Agent, who usually contrived to embroil matters in such a way as gave a colour to the theory of infraction of the treaty. This afforded a pretext for demanding a cession of territory, and, not unfrequently, a subsidy, also, for paying troops to keep it. The Prince became our debtor, and the British agent at his Court had it all his own way. In course of time, the subsidy fell into arrears, and it then became necessary to extort fresh cessions of territory. At last, when the victim was supposed to be sufficiently weakened, it was discovered that he was unable to rule his subjects, and then, the most benevolent and self-denying act which we could perform, was to take upon ourselves the difficult task of managing the revenues and assuming the control of his property. In some cases more summary means even were adopted, and the Princes were goaded into war, which invariably ended in their entire spoliation.

It cannot be denied that the duplicity, bad faith, and misgovernment of the Indian princes often gave us the most plausible excuse for interference; but the mere cunning of the Asiatic was no match for the diplomacy of the European, while his neglect of State affairs rendered him almost helpless. Great as was our superiority in the field, it was still more unmistakably manifested in the bureau, alike to the terror and the admiration of the people of India. At length, however, an impression got abroad that we had overdone the thing, and the *Times* even talked wildly about "restorations." The extreme impolicy and danger of such a course need not now be discussed. Whatever may have been the original character of certain annexations, there can be no doubt that an infinitely superior rule was established in the place of the one crushed. Scinde amongst the earlier, and Oudh amongst the latest of our acquisitions, could not have been so prosperous under their former rulers as they are now. Of this, we have only to look for proofs to the dominions of the Nizam, of Holkar, and of Scindhia, where, as has ever been the case, anarchy and confusion constantly prevail, notwithstanding

all our endeavours to secure to these dominions the very best native government possible, aided by British officers.

Railways, telegraphs, roads, canals and public works of a hundred other kinds, do not exist there, as they do in our own territories, to give employment to the tens of thousands of the population, who, for want of employment, become disturbers of the public peace, and dangerous to the State. Hence the question which suggests itself is, what shall be our future policy with regard to these Native States? The advocates of annexation are nearly silenced by the events of the last few years. The Punjab is, indeed, triumphantly quoted as an instance of both the material and political success of the Dalhousian, or annexation policy; but it seems to be forgotten that it was a mere chance, or rather a Providential interposition, that the turbulent tribes of that province did not also turn against us in 1857. Such interpositions, however, are not always to be calculated upon. Moreover, it should be recollected that, if the European force in the Punjab, numbering, according to an official statement, 10,500 men, had been located in the North-West Provinces, the rebellion, probably, would have never occurred. As for the supposition that the Punjab, if independent, would have joined the mutineers, such is not borne out by the conduct of the Native States during the mutinies. Indeed, one would fancy that it would only be creating a new and a most formidable danger to their own dominions, were native princes to aid and encourage the troops of a neighbouring power to mutiny. But, as we have now abandoned our oppressive policy, we must define, with some degree of accuracy, our relations with existing Native States. A down-country journal, some time ago, advocated the introduction of a feudal law, by which every native prince in the country may know his exact standing and political existence. The adoption policy of Lord Canning has done much to supply this; indeed, as much as might eventually bring about a confederation of the whole of the Native States. They, like the German Empire of old, might be presided over by the paramount power, which in India is, of course, the British Government. Still, not a little of a clearer and more decided character is wanting.

We are inimical to all interference with the internal economy of Native States. It is our greatest desire to encourage independence of thought and action in Native Princes; but, while we would do this, we should like to see the two hundred Native Princes of India, each within his own territories, giving us that proof of their power and ability to govern their subjects energetically, yet with moderation and justice, which alone can ensure them the confidence and respect of the British nation. It is impossible that a Government like ours can be expected to treat Native Governments with the consideration and forbearance which it would be undoubtedly bound to do were those Governments capable of preserving law and order, administering important justice, and keeping their people in subjection. Not until they show themselves capable of doing this—the *sine qua non* of every Government which assumes to exist as such—can the promises contained in the Queen's Proclamation be carried out, or the Government of India refrain from interfering, in the general interests of mankind, to sink all such quasi-independent authority, or shall include in its extinction the obliteration of every trace of mutiny and secession. Magnanimity may dictate a generous forbearance, but an imperative sense of duty must overcome all considerations save those due to the welfare of India and the prosperity of her "teeming millions." Let us hope, then, that the friendly counsels which the Governor-general has lately addressed to the native Princes with such earnestness will not be lost on them, and that

they will show their own worthiness by profiting largely by them.—*Mofussilite*.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE DALHOUSIE INSTITUTE.—What Calcutta has long admittedly needed, is at length likely to be supplied. The Dalhousie Institute has at length found a site, and Christmas 1865 will probably see the members in snug possession of their new quarters. It is proposed to erect the institute building on the south side of Tank-square, and to convert the present building, containing the statue of Lord Hastings, into an entrance portico. The idea is a good one, and removes the only real difficulty met with, in placing the institute in Tank-square. The institute will not occupy very much ground, it will leave one hundred feet of space margin for the Tank, and it will be a most fitting and appropriate addition to the many handsome edifices which will shortly embellish the square. The new site will not interfere with the ventilation of the city in the least, and we think there can be little doubt that it will give us a handsome building, so placed centrally, as to be a real improvement to the city. It is intended to erect the new building, so as to render it the chief ornament of the square, and to devote some attention to the square itself. The latrines will be removed, the Tank made more regular in shape, and, generally, an effort will be made to make this promenade fashionable.

ULWAR.—The *Delhi Gazette* has some curious information in connection with the disagreement which it is well known existed between Major Hamilton, late political agent in Ulwar, and Dr. Dickenson, the residency surgeon. One of the principal causes of this ill-feeling was the presence of a man named Courtney in Ulwar. This Courtney was, it appears, understood to be the secret agent of the ex-dewans of Ulwar, who now reside at Delhi, and who have been forbidden to enter Ulwar, or to interfere directly or indirectly with the affairs of the State. The Maharajah was anxious that the man should leave, and the political agent sent him an order to do so. The order was evaded through plea of sickness, and Dr. Dickenson was instrumental, it is stated, in keeping Courtney in Ulwar contrary to the wishes of the Maharajah and Major Hamilton. Hence the origin of some of the unhappy differences between these officers.

COTTON CROP IN THE PUNJAB.—The return of the rain-fall in the Punjab during the month of September is, according to the *Sindian*, very unfavourable to the crops. The cotton crop particularly has suffered from drought, and has in addition had to contend against an insect called the *Teela*, which had been found very destructive to the plant. Young locusts had made their appearance in Sirsa, Jhelum, and Kohat, but were discovered in time and destroyed.

OFFICIAL TOURS.—Sir Robert Montgomery, Lieutenant-governor of the Punjab, is out on a tour through the Kangra district. His Honour will particularly inspect the tea districts, and ascertain, if possible, from personal inquiry, what despatches on foolscap have not yet explained to him, why Government is obliged to store up its tea at Holta, while the planters are able to dispose of theirs. The first point to find out is, of course, whether there are such accumulations as have been reported to Government.

SMALL-POX AT UMRITSUR.—Up to the 29th Nov. small-pox, which had broken out in the Umritsur district, was raging violently. The deaths were seventy-seven per day. Dr. Garden, superintendent of vaccination, was doing his best to alleviate the general distress.

EXPLORATION OF THE SALWEEN.—Another expedition for the exploration of the Salween has been organised, of which Captain Watson is to be the leader.

ASIATIC SOCIETY.—At the last meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, among the presentations was a photograph forwarded by Mr. Bowring, Commissioner of Mysore, of an inscription on a rock at Taikal, a place in the vicinity of one of the stations of the Bangalore Branch Railway. The inscription narrated that in the time of Deva Raja a tiger had killed a cow, and that the tiger was vanquished by a hero named Pratab Sing, the said Pratab Sing receiving as a reward "93 wet lands and 13 dry lands near the village of Coomsee." The inscription, which is in Telooogoo, and decipherable with difficulty, is, Mr. Bowring states, curious, and the Deva Raja referred to he believes to be one of the Anagundi Kings. At the same meeting, Captain Lees, in answer to a question of Mr. Blandford, explained that the application of the term "sovereign" to the gold coin of England was similar to that of "Napoleon" and "Louis d'or" to the gold coins of France, and of "Frederick d'or" to those of Prussia. The correct word is *suveran*, the French *souverain* from the Latin *supernus*. It was a singular coincidence, Captain Lees thought, that in ancient Hindoo literature gold and gold coin is mentioned under the term *Suvarna*, from which, if the inherent final vowel be dropped, we have the word *suvern*, a close approximation to our own.

THE CYCLONE.—The loss occasioned by the cyclone in the Howrah district is estimated as follows:—

Killed—Men, women and children...	730
" Cattle	12,762
Houses destroyed—pucka	316
" " kucha	1,50,158
Computed loss of property	Rs. 60,49,881

IN HOWRAH ITSELF.

Killed—Men, women and children ...	10
" Cattle	70
Houses destroyed—pucka	152
" " kucha	14,760
Computed loss of property	Rs. 4,87,511

DEATH OF A ROMAN CATHOLIC MISSIONARY.—The Very Reverend Father Albino Pariett, who was born in the diocese of Milan in Italy, died at Bankipore at half-past eleven P.M. on the 29th November. The deceased was aged 45 years, and was for ten years superior of the Berhampore Mission; where he was always respected by the community. For the last eight years he had suffered from chronic dysentery.

WRECK OF THE "LADY ELGIN."—The British ship *Lady Elgin*, outward bound with a full cargo, struck on a reef outside Amherst Roads while in charge of a pilot, and by latest accounts was fast giving way. What renders the accident all the more culpable is the fact that the particular locality where the accident occurred is well known to all the pilots on the station.—*Englishman*.

LEOTARD OUTDONE.—One of the great attractions of Meerut just now is the amateur equestrian troupe of the 19th Hussars, attached to which is a "Professor Pietro," who "does" the trapeze. His performances are of a very extraordinary character; among other things he holds on to the trapeze by his teeth. Leotard never attempted this.

THE CIVIL ENGINEERING COLLEGE will finally close its chequered career on the 1st of Feb. next, when it will be amalgamated with the Presidency College. It is rumoured that no out-students will be admitted to the class, and that the grade of assistant-engineers will not hereafter be given to any student.

MEMORIAL TO SIR A. LAWRENCE.—A marble slab is to be erected in St. James's Church, Anarkullee, to the memory of the late Sir Alexander Lawrence. The expense will be defrayed by local subscriptions.

GOVERNMENT SALT IN STORE.—On the 31st October last the total quantity of salt in store at all the golabs in Bengal was 63,31,332 maunds; nearly half of the quantity is at Sulkea.

ELEPHANT CATCHING IN CENTRAL INDIA.—The formation of the Elephant Khedda in these provinces, announced by us some time ago, has been entrusted to Mr. R. D. Nuthall, formerly in charge of the Assam Kheddass. Our depôt is being formed, not with a view to making any profit, but to clear the districts in which the elephants abound of those grain-crop destroying animals. Rather than that the Shikaries should destroy the elephants, Government has very wisely determined to relieve the country of them to the advantage of the State. The following is a brief account of the way the capture is managed:—The first step to be taken in preparing a Khedda is to engage a forest Jemadar, next to him come the trackers who seek for signs of wild animals, which, found reliable, are reported to the Jemadar. A circle of men is then formed round the elephants, a fence run up, and shouting, and firing of fire-arms commenced. The animals now find that their advance is obstructed. The Jemadar plants a chain of sentries round the fence, sometimes five miles in circumference. Each sentry is provided with pieces of hard dry stick. These are for tapping, in order to drive in any of the elephants which might approach too near, and should this noise not deter them a blank cartridge should be fired. Now comes the most critical time when every one must be watchful. The elephants get quite restless, knowing that danger is at hand. They then exert themselves to their utmost to escape, and the person superintending must visit the chain of sentries frequently, both during the day and at night, and so also should the heads of gangs; and in fact all who have any authority under them. The grass should be well examined in the morning ere the dew is brushed away; for if the animals have broken the fence, the tracks of their flight will then be perceptible, and the careless sentry will at once be discovered from the state of the ground in his vicinity. If the herd has not escaped, the superintendent selects a site for the stockade. In preparing the palisades and gate, great care should be taken to give everything a natural appearance, as elephants are very suspicious of freshly turned soil. At the gate materials should be kept ready for making a fire, and on each side a man should be concealed to cut away the ropes to allow the gate to close. The coolest and steadiest man should be selected for this work, as it is one of danger. These preparations being completed, the driving of the animals into the stockade commences, and as the last animal enters, the gate is let down, and the fires lighted, in the smoke of which men are pushed forward to build up the entrance. The stockade is then surrounded by men with spears and guns, who repel the half-maddened animals in their desperate attempts to break through. The Koonkees are now brought up, and carefully introduced into the stockade. The Shikaries lying close along the backs, and covered with black cloth, as white or any glaring colour would attract notice. The entrance of the Koonkees causes considerable surprise. They are so drawn up in line so as to conceal the gate through which they had been introduced. When the wild animals are somewhat used to the sight of the Koonkees, the Shikaries commence securing them. They select a straggler and squeeze him between two or more Koonkees, while the Shikarie steps down and fastens a strong rope round the hind leg, securing the other end to a tree. The tying continues until all are secured, when the Koonkees are withdrawn, and the gap built up. The operation of taking the elephants out of the stockade then commences. Each elephant is tied to one or more Koonkees, as there may be occasion, and the sooner they can be taken to a river the better, as after a drink and bath, they become more cool and reconciled to their captivity. It must be remembered that, while in the stockade, plenty of food should be supplied. The first marches should be easy, three or four

miles, and the animals should not be stinted in their food. The best time for marching is early in the morning, before the dew is off the ground. They should be allowed to eat before daybreak, and after sunset, as they like to eat the leaves while still wet with dew. The fastenings should be constantly looked to, as the attempts of the animals to break loose causes the rope to cut into the flesh and make sores, which prove fatal, if the fastenings are not attended to. Turpentine, or tobacco leaves, should be applied to the sores to destroy the maggots engendered in the ulcers. The great object is to get the elephants into depôt, where they could be taken proper care of. On arriving in depot, the animals are measured and named, and in two or three years or so are ready to be drafted off for service.—*Central Indian Times.*

THIEVES AND SNAKE-CHARMERS.—Few are perhaps prepared for the statement that large portions of the village population in the North-West and Central India gain a livelihood, as their ancestors for generations before them have done, by secret as well as open plunder. They leave their homes and wander about from district to district, from *serai* to *serai*, until they come upon victims, whom they either drug into insensibility and then rob, or if such refinement of fraud be unnecessary, boldly assail and force into surrender of whatever they carry. We are told that the greatest part, if not all, of the Meenas, Khaem, Khances, and Goojurs of Tourawattee and Shekhawattee in Jeypore, and some Rajpoots, are noted for leaving their domiciles in gangs of seventy or eighty in the disguise of fuqers, Brahmins, and other religious mendicants, to plunder in the Deccan, Hindostan, N.W. Provinces, &c., &c. They go some 600 and 800 miles off. Numbers of these scoundrels have recently been seized by the officials of Agra, who deserve very great praise, and convicted and sentenced to various terms of imprisonment for perpetrating some of the most daring dacoities ever man heard of, which system of living they appear to have kept up for years and years together. They are snake charmers, and possess the art of extracting the poison of the serpent from its fangs, which, it is suspected, they use for their villainous purposes. The most daring highway robbers in the N.W.P. are said to belong to Jeypore, Shekhawattee, Tourawattee, Kote Poottee, Shajehanpore, Ulwur, and some parts of Bikaner. A large amount of property has been recovered in Jeypore, which is a convincing proof, and some of the greatest scoundrels arrested, committed, and sentenced to various terms of imprisonment in India. The officials of Tourawattee and Kote Poottee, Shekhawattee, and Jeypore are said to have abetted or assisted in the escape of many, and have also offered large bribes to the late Agra Thuggee Police who were deputed for their arrest, but notwithstanding all their endeavours the police arrested a large number. These scoundrels have confessed to have plundered banghy daks some five and six hundred miles from their houses, and state that they have relatives and friends everywhere, especially in the post offices, as runners, and in the large banking firms, through whom they connive.—*Hurkaru.*

A DARING DACOITY has been committed in Amherst. Fifty ruffians, formidably armed, surrounded a house, and after firing three volleys into it, called upon the inhabitants to come down. When this was done, they seized the poor wretches and cruelly murdered them. The police are in pursuit.

EDUCATIONAL PARSIMONY.—Although the population of British Burmah is over two millions, the amount expended by the State in grants-in-aid is only Rs. 16,900 per annum.

MR. J. P. KENNEDY, B.A., of Trinity College, Dublin, and of the Irish bar, was sworn in on the 6th Dec. as one of the Advocates of the High Court.

THE FIFTY-SECOND.—H. M.'s 52nd L. I. were to embark on board the ships *Alumbagh* and *Nile* about the middle of December, the Head-Quarters and Right Wing going to England on the former vessel, under the command of Major the Honorable E. G. Curzon, and the Left Wing in the latter ship, under the command of Brevet Major C. K. Crosse. There will be considerable changes, and an unusual dispersion, amongst the officers of this gallant regiment now and on its return to England. Colonel Denniss, now commanding the 52nd, although not as yet gazetted, is *de facto* promoted, and, as a Major General, of course, leaves the Corps. Colonel Denison, the junior lieutenant colonel of the regiment, is about to sell out in England; and Major Peel, who has just preceded the regiment overland, will get his lieutenant-colonelcy and the command of the regiment. We hear that Brevet Major Lynge, of this regiment, now assistant-adjutant-general of the Benares division, is to be permitted to remain in this country, and serve out his five years in the department; a most unusual arrangement, as the assistant-adjutant-general's department is one of those which it has been ruled shall be composed of officers whose regiments are actually serving in India. Lieutenant-colonel S. Blane, of the 52nd, being on the Governor-General's staff, can remain in India, and in his appointment, although his regiment leaves the country, and so can Captain Henley, also of this regiment, who is military secretary to the Governor of Madras; but these three last mentioned officers will, from the day their regiment leaves, receive only English pay and allowances from the Home Government and the Indian Staff allowance of their appointments. The station staff appointment at the Darjeeling Convalescent depot becomes vacant by the departure with his regiment of Captain Murphy; and Captain Pearson, of the 52nd, has already exchanged into another regiment, to remain in India. Assistant-surgeon Hall has been removed from the 52nd regiment to the Royal Artillery; and, on the departure of his present regiment, will join a battery in the Upper Provinces. We do not remember to have ever before seen so many changes in a departing regiment.—*Englishman.*

SOORUNDER SAI.—The *Nagpore Times* has an interesting account of the well-known Soorunder Sai, who contrived to give us so much trouble in the Sumbulpore district. At the outbreak of the mutiny this man was lying, a convicted murderer, in the jail of Hazareebaugh, from which position he was released by the sepoys, who made a leader of him. When Delhi fell, Soorunder, with a few thousand followers, set up as a claimant to the *guddee* of Sumbulpore. He harassed some five thousand troops from 1859 to 1862, when finding it a losing game, he took advantage of a proffered amnesty and gave himself up to the authorities. Even then he plotted treason, and was recently tried for the offence before the Judicial Commissioner, who released him, "most unaccountably," our contemporary says, on the ground that the case was got up against him by the police. Government evidently thinks Soorunder a more important personage than Mr. Campbell is inclined to do, and have ordered his permanent detention as a political prisoner in the fort of Seetabuldee.

MR. MACLEOD WYLIE has been recommended for a special superannuation pension of £800 a-year by the Governor-general. In all probability Sir Charles Wood will confirm this pension, and with great propriety. Mr. Wylie has been a good and an unselfish public servant, and a recognition of his value on the part of the Government is no more than an act of justice.

COL. TICKELL'S REMOVAL.—Information has been received at Moulmein that the Governor-general has ordered the removal of Col. Tickell from all civil employ in British Burmah.

Bengal.]

THE BURNING OF THE "LINCOLNSHIRE."—At about two o'clock on the morning of the 5th December a fire was discovered in the Union Dock at Sulkea, proceeding from the fore and after part of the ship *Lincolshire*, which has resulted in the total destruction of that vessel. Captain Page, the commander, was on board at the time, and was roused by the chief mate, whose attention was drawn to a strong smell of burning in the vicinity of the captain's cabin. The origin of the fire is at present unknown, but suspicions are whispered of foul play. These are increased by the fact that the sailors of the ship, distressed seamen suffering from the cyclone, expressed great satisfaction at the fire, and seemed to look upon it in the light of a "lark" rather than otherwise, stating loudly that now they would be "distressed seamen again." They also broke into Captain MacGowan's house, and destroyed nearly all the furniture. There should certainly be a strict inquiry into this fire, for while we firmly uphold Jack's claim to all his rights, we are quite aware that he can be a most unmitigated ruffian when he chooses, and should be punished most severely when proven guilty. Fortunately there was no breeze, or the destruction of the buildings abutting the dock must have been inevitable. The East India Railway Company's engines were promptly on the spot, and, though unable to save the vessel, were instrumental in preventing further damage. The *Lincolshire*, we believe, was fully insured.

MILITARY MOVEMENTS.—The Native Infantry regiments at Barrackpore are to move, not exactly as ordered in the annual relief, but in the following roundabout fashion:—The 36th N.I. have relieved the 25th N.I. at Ali-pore, and the latter regiment has gone to Delhi to relieve the 4th N.I., which again will go to Jhansi to relieve the 34th. This latter regiment will, when relieved at Jhansi, come down to Barrackpore to relieve the 31st Punjab N.I., which goes to Cawnpore. It was intended that the 36th N.I. should relieve the 40th N.I. at Barrackpore, but the 29th N.I. will now come from Humeerpore to relieve the 40th, which goes to Banda, and will be the first regiment to leave Barrackpore. Finally, the 30th Regiment N.I., now with the Bhootan field force, is under orders, on its services being no longer required in the field, to come down to Barrackpore, where, for the future, three regiments of Native Infantry, instead of, as at present, two, will be cantoned.—*Englishman*.

ADVANTAGES OF EASTERN TRAVEL.—The Mooltan correspondent of the *Bombay Gazette* tells us of a British officer of the Bombay army who happened to arrive in Lahore just at the time of the great durbar. He had, unfortunately, no available uniform to appear in. The uniform was a *sine qua non*, but he determined to go without one. This he did by mingling with a crowd of Asiatics, and as he had returned recently from a Cashmere tour, and his face was tolerably sun-burnt, to which advantages were added sandled feet and an immense beard, he contrived to escape notice.

DR. SIMPSON.—The death of Dr. Simpson, late civil surgeon of Dacca, was looked upon by the inhabitants of the city in the light of a public calamity. His kindness of heart, no less than his skill in his profession, had endeared him to all classes of the community. As an indefatigable public servant and a first-class surgical operator, his loss will be long severely felt. The harassing night and day work to which he was exposed during the late cholera epidemic found him but ill able to resist an attack of that fatal disease himself. He died as a soldier dies—in battle. Dr. Simpson had only attained his forty-fifth year.

SILVER COINAGE.—The following is the value of the silver coined and examined in the mints of the three Presidency towns during the month of October, 1864:—At Calcutta, Rs. 25,31,587; at Madras, Rs. 3,51,000; and at Bombay, Rs. 80,12,914.

CACHAR TEA PLANTING.—A meeting of the Cachar tea planters, the particulars of which are given by the *Englishman*, was held in Silchar on the 16th of last month. The very unsatisfactory state of the relations at present existing between the coolies and the planters was dwelt on by the speakers, and the action of Government was strongly solicited. Some interference is evidently required, for under the present system great losses are constantly occurring. Last year, for instance, owing to the unsettled tenure of the coolies' services, the quantity and quality of tea manufactured suffered to the extent of from 30 to 40 per cent.; three thousand acres of land cleared again into jungle, and the direct loss to planters, from coolies absconding, and from the defective state of the law practically relieving them of their agreements, was estimated at 2,000 men. The labour difficulty is evidently the difficulty of Cachar, and one which, if not speedily remedied, will materially interfere with the improvement of the province.

MR. FOSTER, the Commissioner of Inquiry into the Indian accounts, has got his quarters in the Treasury buildings, and is engaged in carrying out various changes in the civil department, as proposed in his report, and in introducing the new forms of accounts. Mr. Fitzgerald, assistant to the above-mentioned commissioner, has just commenced with the military estimates for 1865-66. By the end of April next a thorough English system of accounts will be introduced in this country in substitution of the old one. When these changes are completed, it is probable that Mr. Fitzgerald will get an important post in one of the account offices under the Government of India.

SMALL CAUSE COURT AT BURDWAN.—The operation of the Act empowering the Government of Bengal to establish Small Cause Courts in the Mofussil having proved remarkably successful in several districts, it is in contemplation of the Government to establish a Court of Small Causes in the large and populous district of Burdwan. It is also rumoured that the present officiating judge of the Small Cause Court at Koosteah is to be transferred to Burdwan, in the event of the arrangement being approved of by the Supreme Government.

A GIFT IN THE HAND.—Certain Tehseeldars having been detected in the receipt of khilluts from certain foreign Princes, Sir Robert Montgomery insisted on their immediate surrender and sale, the proceeds of such sale being credited to Government. The Commissioner of the division in which the delinquents are employed pleaded in their behalf the fact that, when the Rajah of Pattiala visited Lahore, he bestowed certain gifts on the gentlemen of the telegraph department, which gifts the recipients were permitted to retain. The Lieutenant-governor, however, did not see the logic, and refused to be moved.

RAJPOOT WEDDINGS.—A meeting has been held at Goruckpore for the settlement of marriage expenses among the Rajpoots. It has been arranged that these shall not exceed one-fifth of the annual income of the contracting parties. A similar gathering took place some time ago in Rajpootana, with reference to the exclusion of the "bhats," or bards, from marriage festivities, in consequence of the exorbitant demands they preferred for their services on these occasions.

MAJOR SIBLEY, First-class Assistant Commissary-general in charge of the Executive Commissariat Department at the Presidency, has been appointed to a similar capacity at Kussowlie. The gallant officer leaves Calcutta for his destination shortly.

PRESIDENCY COLLEGE.—Mr. Tawney, M.A., of Trinity College, Cambridge, has been appointed to officiate for Professor Cowell in the Presidency College of Calcutta.

DR. MASON'S PROJECT A FAILURE.—Forty square miles of land were allotted in 1862-3 to the Karens to colonise. Thirty-two families were persuaded by Dr. and Mrs. Mason to settle on it by various gifts and grants. Two years have now elapsed, and out of 26,000 Karen Christians, only 309 persons are engaged in the place, and only 197 acres are under cultivation. Many an English labourer, in spite of the tropical climate, would consider himself supremely fortunate if the same offers were made to him.

BENGAL PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.—The exhibition of the Bengal Photographic Society was opened on the 2nd of December by his Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-general, who was accompanied by the Lieutenant-governor of Bengal, the patron of the society. Mr. S. D. Bourne has carried off the gold medal for landscapes; this gentleman has also been awarded a silver medal for the "best photograph in the Exhibition." The gold medal for portraits has been gained this year by Mr. Schwartzschild.

MR. HENRY COBB SUTHERLAND.—This gentleman, who was deputed to overhaul the system of accounts prevailing in British Burmah, reported the Chief Commissioner for dis-courtesy. The Government reply has been published, snubbing him unmistakably; at which of course all Burmahites are in high glee.

THE NAWAB OF BAHAWULPORE has intimated his readiness to comply with the injunctions of the Viceroy, and to surrender the persons belonging to the family of his late murdered uncle, but objects to place the widow of his grandfather (not necessarily his grandmother) in the hands of the Government.

ANDAMAN GARRISON WITHDRAWN.—It is asserted that all the troops in the Andaman islands are to be withdrawn, and that a well organized police force under Captain Duncan is to take their place.

THE BAR AND THE RECORDER OF MOULMAIN.—The former has been presenting the latter with an address, to the effect that certain anonymous attacks against him, which appeared in one of the local papers, did not emanate from them.

SHIPPING.

DEPARTURES.

Nov. 25. Gondola, Barron, Capetown; Lalla Rookh, Earl, Bombay.—26. Sydenham, Fosh, Trinidad.—27. Cien Alpine, Crockett, Singapore; French Empire, Clark, London; Fatta, Salam, Miles, Bombay.—28. Nagasaki, Campbell, Bombay; Monmouthshire, Ewing, Bombay.—30. Moores Fort, Griggs, London; Latona, Anderson, Rangoon; Xantho, Moreau, Mauritius.—Dec. 8. Mail str. Candia, —, Surz.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Candia.—For MADRAS.—Mr. Leigh, Capt. Pohle, Mr. F. W. Payne, Mrs. Morse. For BOMBAY.—Mr. J. Bryan, Mr. Charles Stewart. For SYDNEY.—Col. and Miss Bell. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. and Mrs. W. Muny, Surg. R. H. Perkins, Lieut.-col. Morton. For MARSEILLE.—Mr. J. M. Courtney, Mr. Cunliffe. Mrs. Pillans, Mr. Sinclair, Lieut. Dyas, Mr. Lathbury. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Capt. and Mrs. Thomson and child, Mr. Stenning, Mr. M. D. Wilson, Capt. Pinmouths, Lieut. S. D. Lockwood, Mrs. Jeffreys, Lieut. Woodcock, Mr. A. A. Walker.

ERRATUM.—The Shannon, whose list of passengers was last week given under "Departures," should have been under "Arrivals."

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, Dec. 8, 1864.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price.
4 per Cent. Sa.	Sa. Rs. 89	Rs. 10 to 10 1/2
Do. Transfer Stock....	Sa. Rs. 90	...
4 per Cent. Co.'s Rs. 100	Co.'s Rs. 94 1/2	7 0 to 7 4 dis
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co.'s Rs. 100	5 8 to 5 10 pm.
5 1/2 per Cent.	Co.'s Rs. 100	11 8 to 11 12
5 per cent., 56-57.....	Co.'s Rs. 100	102 0 to 103 0

EXCHANGE.

	On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight	2 1/2 to 2 1/4
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight	2 1/4 to 2 1/2
Bills with Docts.	at 6 months' sight	2 1/4 to 2 1/2
Bank Post Bills.....	at 1 months' sight	2 0 to 2 0 1/2

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paid-up. Rs. each.	Quoted at Rs.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	1400 to 1410
Alliance Tea Company	85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	200	525 to 530
Balasan Tea Company	100	135 to 140
Bank of Bengal	1000	1975 to 1987
Ditto Interest bearing	4000	2900 to 3200
Beerbhoom Coal Company	1000	870 to 875
Ditto	200	Nom. to 175
Bengal Coal Company	1000	1500 to 1506
Bengal Printing Company	100	15 to 10 dis.
Bengal River Company	1000	550 to 555
Bengal Tea Company	100	215 to 250
Ditto	80	90 to 100 pm.
Bengal Oil Company	250	par Nominal
Bishnauth Tea Company	200	210 to 245
Ditto	175	25 to 30 pm.
Bonded Warehouse Association	445	690 to 700
British India Tea	80	par
Burdwan Stone Company	150	75 to 80
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	175 to 180
Ditto (Contributory)	115	20 to 25 dis.
Cachar Tea Company	600	740 to 745
Ditto	400	40 to 15 pm.
Calcutta Docking Company	700	1370 to 1375
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	540 to 545
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	52	62
Central Assam Tea Company	100	110 to 115
Central Cachar Tea Company	200	300 to 305
Chattahoochee Tea Company	25	5 to 10 dis.
Commercial Transport Association	100	par
Dehra Doon Tea Company	100	10 to 5 dis.
Dehra Bank Corporation	500	730 to 750
Dool Tea Company	100	5 to 10 dis.
Durring Tea Company	45	8 dis. to par
E. B. Indigo Company	100	75 to 80
East India Coal Company	100	33 to 40
East India Railway Company	215	213 to 219
East India Tea Company	100	125 to 128
Ditto	80	120 to 125
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	15 to 20 pm.
Ditto	215	219 to 220
Eastern Bengal Railway Company	1000	1400 to 1410
Eastern Steam Tug Company	250	220 to 225
Equitable Coal Company	500	220 Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	500	Nominal
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	215 to 250
Gola Ghaut Tea Company	250	315 to 320
Goswary Cotton Mills	60	5 to 15 dis.
Hadadustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	390 to 390
Hooghly Steam Tug Company	1000	1600 to 1650
Hooghly Lighter Association	80	10 to 15 dis.
Hope Town Tea Association	100	135 to 140
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	105 to 110
H-wah Docking Company	500	40 dis.
Hunter and Company	250	200 to 220
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	540 to 545
Jorehaut Tea Company	200	715 to 750
Kanchunpore Tea Company	100	1300 to 1350
Kurseong and Darjeeling Tea Co.	250	par
Landing Shipping	100	20 to 25 dis.
Leibong and Minchou Tea Company	65	par to 5 pm.
Lower Assam Tea Company	35	par
Lucknow Tea Company	155	50 to 55 pm.
Monacherra Tea Company	60	par to 5 pm.
Muttuck Tea Company	50	par
Mutual Tea Company	100	115 to 110
Ditto	60	70 to 75
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	5 pm. Nom.
New Fort Gloster Company	600	1400 to 1450
Peoples Bank of India	100	75 to 80
Punjab Bank	100	100 to 110
Punjab Trading	75	10 pm.
Punkabhar Tea Company	100	100 dull
Ditto	37	par Nominal
Ranghaur Tea Company	100	par
Ditto	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	112
R. Scott Thomson and Company	500	505 to 510
Screwing Company (Limited)	200	15 to 20 dis.
Sea Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.
Seehasoor Tea Company	100	5 to 10 dis.
Small Bank	500	610 to 620
Smila Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Soom Tea Company	75	100
Sourpore Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1520
Ditto	750	150 to 180 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100	15 to 20 dis.
Spence's Hotel Company	250	20 to 35 dis.
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	200	165 to 170
Tirhoot Indigo	200	210 to 212
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	200 to 105
Ditto	60	par Nominal
Union Steam Tug Company	250	220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	100	180
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to par
Ditto	150	par to 5 dis.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
Saltpetre	£1 5 0 to 0 0 0	Nominal.
Sugar	Nominal.	Nominal.
Rice	Nominal.	Nominal.
Seeds	3 12 6 to 3 15 0	3 10 0 0 0 0
Jute	3 15 0 to 3 17 0	3 10 0 0 0 0
Cotton	3 17 6 4 0 0	3 17 6 4 0 0

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

PISCICULTURE IN MADRAS.—We are glad to see that an attempt is being made to introduce the trout and perch into the Neilgherries. The Australian colonists have set us a good example, and under the encouragement of the Madras Government, Assistant-surgeon F.

Day is about to make the experiment of bringing fish ova out to India. Dr. Day, in a letter to Sir William Denison, says that he does not believe perch spawn would succeed in this country, but trout might thrive, and the cost of sending it, exclusive of charges for ice from Suez to Madras, would be about £80. Perch could be sent alive, round the Cape, in tanks. The P. and O. Company were applied to on the subject, and the directors answered that they were willing to deal with it "both with a desire to oblige Sir W. Denison, and to further the introduction of British fish into the rivers of India." They will make no charge for the freight of the box containing the ova, provided a second-class passenger, at the ordinary fares, is in charge of it, and they will direct their agents to give every assistance in their power. Having ascertained these facts, the Madras Government has resolved to sanction the expenditure of £100 for the purchase and transport of trout ova to Madras, and Dr. Day will be requested to take charge of it when he returns to India. This is what has been done up to the present time. There is no apparent reason why the plan should not succeed as well as it has done in parts of the Australian continent. The journey will be less protracted, and the only difficult part of it will be the transit across Egypt. In a similar experiment before, it was this part of the road which proved too much for the ova. Dr. Day says with regard to this matter, "As ice can be readily supplied, I believe that with a little cordial co-operation of all parties this difficulty will be easily overcome." We have no facts before us to enable us to judge with any certainty how the climate and rivers of the Neilgherries would suit the trout, which, be it remembered, is a delicate fish, and one that does not thrive in every river even in England. —*Friend of India.*

AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENTS.—The Government of Madras keeps up a stud farm at Oosoor, on which operations are performed with all the improved agricultural implements which have been devised in England and America. Sir William Denison was very anxious that the people of the surrounding districts should see these implements at work, and thus be able to compare them with the rude native processes of reaping, thrashing, winnowing, &c. Instructions were accordingly issued to the collectors of Madras, North Arcot, Salem, and Coimbatore, requesting them to attend at the farm officially during the agricultural show recently held there, bringing with them ten or twelve intelligent and substantial ryots, who would be likely to form a sound opinion of the comparative advantage of the foreign implements. The ryots were fed, lodged, and conveyed too and from Oosoor, at the Government expense. Sir William Denison has doubtless done good by this proceeding.

THE LATE MRS. SIMPSON.—We deeply regret to announce the premature death of the above lady—the excellent Superintendent of the Military Female Orphan Asylum. The sad event was occasioned by an overdose of morphine, taken by herself to induce sleep, as she had been much fatigued by attending upon her husband (the Rev. D. Simpson), who had been sick. —*Athenæum.*

THE DISSEMINATION OF PROPHECIES of impending calamities is still going on in Southern India, and much mirth has been occasioned by the efforts of a not otherwise missionary to improve the occasion by circulating translations of some of the notorious Dr. Cumming's Apocalyptic visions. The effect, however, has not been happy. The natives observed:—"You admit, then, that there is to be an Avatar and terrible doings, as we have ourselves announced, but you try to turn them off from our Deities to yours!"

A CRITICAL SITUATION.—Among the many wonderful escapes mentioned in connection with the Masulipatam disaster there is one related of two Catholic priests, the Rev. Dr.

O'Brien and the Rev. Mr. Talabor, who, as the floods rose, ascended together to the top of the church steeple, and there they remained while the waters raged around them. While in this exceedingly uncomfortable position it was impossible for them to get anything to eat, save what floated by on the angry element, and this sustained them in strength till they came down from their perilous eminence.

THE CYCLONE AT MASULIPATAM.—According to the last official estimate, upwards of 30,000 lives have been lost at different times on the coast. In the lines of the N.I. regiment about seventy sepoy, and upwards of five hundred women, children, and followers perished; and in one of the adjoining villages only twelve persons were saved out of six hundred. The cyclone brought the sea over the country for four or five miles inland, and inundated it to the depth of from four to nine feet. The Madras Government has been doing its best to mitigate the distress, and has sent Mr. Robert Ellis, the sanitary commissioner, with a medical staff, to the spot to look after the public health.

CENSUS.—An abstract of a census taken in Mysore for the year 1863-64 has been recently published by the Commissioner, Mr. Bowring. The population amounts to 3,895,687, and shows an increase of 23,478 compared with last year. It is curious that the Cantonment of Bangalore has alone contributed more than one-fourth of this increase. Upwards of three millions and a-half of the population are Hindoos. There were 5,413 Europeans enumerated, the rest being made up of East Indians, Mussulmans, and Native Christians.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 7. Erymanthe, Jehenne, Calcutta; str. Cashmere, Muddison, Calcutta.—8. Pandora, Steunt, Clyde.—9. P. and O. str. Nubia, Woolcott, Suez; str. Ralph Abercromby, Gilbert, London; str. Comorin, Taunton, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per str. Erymanthe.—For Madras.—Mr. W. Bailey, Mrs. Theodore, Madam Pepita Bacs, Lieut. Yacs, Mr. Carhill. For Pondicherry.—Mr. Lapote de Lusey. For Suez.—Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bayes. For Marseilles.—Madam Van Gelder, Capt. Lardir, Capt. Sager, Capt. Marchandau, Capt. Courtois, Capt. Saunders, Maj. Peel, Mr. and Mrs. York and child, Mr. H. C. Mitchell, Mr. Craster, Madam Cochrane, Mr. Y. Smith, Madam Wright and four children.

Per str. Cashmere.—Capt. Shaw, Mr. Voss.
Per P. and O. str. Nubia.—For Madras.—Mr. F. Cunningham, Miss O'Grady, Mr. and Mrs. Forbes, Rev. W. Stevenson, Rev. J. McMillard, Capt. and Mrs. Atkinson, Dr. Pritchard, Mr. Badham, Capt. Elyen, Capt. and Mrs. Gosling, Mr. and Mrs. Bradford, Miss Melver, Mr. Melver, Mr. J. Greenfield, Mr. Laxcelle, Col. C. McCallum, Rev. A. H. Arden, Mr. Boigel. For Calcutta.—Mr. De Salis and child, Miss Jenkins, Mrs. Beer and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Bainbridge, Capt. and Mrs. Fortescue, Mrs. De Costa and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Abercrombie, Mrs. Muspratt and infant, three Misses McCulloch, Miss Scoulton, Mr. Schilzi, Mrs. E. Davon, Mr. F. Kirby, Mr. C. Eyles, Mr. R. Henton, Mr. Ravenscroft, Mr. L. A. Tillard, Mr. C. W. Morgan, Mr. Bourdieu, Mr. Slata, Mrs. Burt and child, Mrs. Lhane, Miss M. Williams, Rev. E. F. Blyth, Maj. B. W. Chambers, Maj. Mainwaring, Mr. and Mrs. Goslett, Maj. T. C. Darnell, Mrs. C. J. Faron, Miss Baird, Lieut. E. Key, Maj. Armstrong, Mr. E. Brace, Miss T. Blast, Mr. G. Dawson, Mr. R. Tickell, Maj. Dennis, G. Hlast, F. Frost, G. Collins, Mrs. Minghail, Mrs. Giller, Mr. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Henschell, Maj. and Mrs. Fearon, Mr. and Mrs. Fuller, Mrs. Schickel and infant, two Misses Gordon, Maj. and Mrs. Eckford and infant, Dr. Watson, Col. Hamond, Mr. J. Patterson, Mr. Hobson, Mr. Schrammer, Capt. Richard, Mrs. Parrott, Mr. Cay, Mr. Jones, Mr. H. Taylor, Mr. W. Moran, Mr. Cook, Capt. Stewart, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Grant, Mr. Gordon, Mr. French, Capt. Seales, Capt. Chesholm, Mr. Strachan, Mr. Forrester, Mr. H. Schleeman, Mr. Sancox, Mr. Boyds, Mr. Greve, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Hickman, Mr. and Mrs. Leek, Mr. W. Smith, Lieut. Gurnet, Mr. Barber, Mr. Dunzell.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 7. Erymanthe, Jehenne, Galic.—9. Sir Robert Seppings, Coates, Mauritius.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Sir Robert Seppings.—Mr. and Mrs. Joachine.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BOMBAY EXHIBITION.—One of the newly-started financial associations of Bombay has put forth the idea of getting a grand exhibition on the island, on the plan of Prince Albert's Exhibition of 1851.

THE LATE DAVID SASSOON.—The *Times of India* states that it has been resolved to erect a marble statue in commemoration of the name of the late David Sassoon, Esq. The deceased gentleman had, while living, offered to contribute the sum of Rs. 60,000 for building a "public hall" at Bombay, and Government had signified their intention to contribute an equal amount. The proposal is now to be carried out, the ground for the hall to be purchased by the relatives of the deceased. It is stated that the statue will be placed in the hall, when completed, as a memorial from the public to the worth of the late Mr. Sassoon as a benevolent citizen of Bombay.

STOCK JOBBER.—The Government of Bombay has addressed a circular to the principal heads of departments and offices under it, in which it recalls to their recollection the opinion of the Secretary of State for India, who so lately as May, 1862, stated that he had no objection to the servants of Government holding shares in joint-stock companies, "having for their object the development of the resources of the country." Sir Bartle Frere, however, "at this particular period, when there is so strong a tendency to speculation in Bombay," reminds all the public servants of the "great importance of avoiding any connection, however remote, with any undertaking which might tend to fetter their action, or divert them from the numerous and important responsibilities imposed by the public service upon them." Super-session in their appointments will follow a non-compliance with this wholesome advice.

TEA AND CINCHONA IN CANARA.—From Honahwar, (in North Canara) which, we observe, is getting gradually Anglicised into the more euphonious Honore, we have accounts of likely experiments to grow cinchona and tea in fresh localities. It is said that the cinchonas planted in this district last December are thriving even beyond expectation. A new and more promising site has been selected at Davimauny Ghaut, some 3,000 feet above the level of the sea, where a nursery may be established of sufficient size to supply all the applicants who are eager to obtain young trees to commence plantations on their own account. Although the height of the site selected is estimated at somewhat over 3,000 feet, the temperature of the place is much lower than that met with at such elevations, as indeed it is throughout Canara; and as low a temperature as 50 deg. Fah. may be registered in the open air, in the early mornings of the cold weather. Under these conditions, and with a soil of exceeding richness, tea may be cultivated with much success in the neighbourhood, and seeds are now expected to be on their way from China with which to commence the experimental cultivation of the plant at Davimauny. The great success of the Cinchonas in the Balaghat of Canara must have the effect of much enhancing the value of the land, as very few places in India are suited for their successful growth. Should the tea plant succeed as well, of which there is little doubt, it will, of course, still further increase the value of the land, which is also admirably adapted for many other forms of cultivation.

RUSTOMJEE LAW SCHOLARSHIP.—We hear that Mr. Perozsha Merwanjee, B.A., of the University of Bombay, has been, it is stated, selected to proceed to England for the purpose of being called to the bar. The selection has been made by the committee appointed in connection with the Hon. Rustomjee Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy's barristerships.

KISHNAGUR EXHIBITION.—Owing to the disastrous effects of the cyclone in the Kishnagur district no Agricultural Exhibition will take place this year. Planters, zemindars, mahajuns, and ryots have alike suffered severe losses, and the commissioner is convinced that an exhibition would be impracticable. The show has been postponed till the season of 1865-66.



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

CASH BALANCES.

Nov. 21.—No. 3,440.—In continuation of notification No. 3,208, dated the 4th inst., the following statement of Cash Balances, as reported up to this date in the Govt. Treasuries in India at the close of the month of Sept. last, contrasted with that of the previous year, is published for general information:—

According to the present limits of the several Governments.	1862. Sept.	1863. Sept.	1864. Sept.
Govt. of India	Co's Rs. 5,64,63,938	Co's Rs. 3,28,01,693	Co's Rs. 2,06,19,641
" Bengal	2,00,23,961	2,47,75,212	1,76,81,263
" N.W. Provinces	2,70,83,242	2,51,59,697	1,67,95,081
" Punjab	1,07,60,992	1,07,39,356	1,00,29,607
" Bombay	2,78,14,529	2,06,95,379	2,02,15,583
" Central Provs.	50,53,178	46,13,759	42,07,213
" Decan	13,76,951	26,95,609	21,83,777
" Madras	2,40,88,692	2,57,57,027	2,10,29,441
Total.....	17,26,64,583	14,50,27,732	11,28,24,496

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

Oct. 3.—No. 5,762.—Appointments:—

Lieut. col. J. C. Haughton to be chief civil and political officer with the force proceeding to occupy the Bootan Dooars, and to exercise the powers of a mag. and coll. in Purneah, Rungpore, Gawalparah, and Gowhaty.

The political functions of the Gov. gen.'s Agent, North-East Frontier, in regard to Bootan, are hereby suspended until further orders.

Mr. C. T. Metcalfe to be civil officer with the force proceeding to occupy the Bootan Dooars, and to exercise the powers of a mag. and coll. in Gowhaty, Gawalparah, and Rungpore.

Mr. H. Beveridge, joint mag. of Sylhet, to offic. as dep. comr. of Cooch Behar.

The following officers to be assistants to Lieut. col. Haughton, on special duty in the Bootan Dooars:—

Mr. T. A. Donough.

Mr. J. J. S. Driberg.

The following officers to be assistants to the mag. and coll. of Purneah, and to exercise the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class in that district:—

Mr. G. M. Currie.

Mr. C. R. Hawkins.

Mr. H. S. Beadon.

Lieut. A. Tulloch, district superint. of police, Rungpore, is attached to the special police force in the Bootan Dooars.

Oct. 8.—Mr. E. S. Moseley to offic. as asst. to the mag. and coll. of Purneah, and to exercise the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class in that district.

Oct. 18.—Mr. H. S. Beadon, asst. mag. and coll. of Purneah, to be also asst. to the mag. and coll. of Rungpore, and to exercise the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class, described in Sec. XXII. of the code of criminal procedure (Act XXV. of 1861) in that district.

Nov. 7.—Mr. E. E. Lewis to offic. as sec. to the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Maldah.

Mr. J. Fitzpatrick to be vice-chairman of the Municipal Committee at Bhaugulpore under Act III. (B.C.) of 1864.

The following officers are authorised to perform the duties and exercise the powers conferred by that Act on dist. mags., viz.:—

Mr. C. C. Stevens, asst. mag. of Buxar.

Mr. J. W. Garstin, dep. mag. of Barh.

Mr. J. E. Eyre, dep. mag. of Sasseram.

Mr. C. B. Pearson, dep. mag. of Durbhungah.

Mr. C. F. Worsley, asst. mag. of Sewan.

Mr. J. Anderson, asst. mag. of Bettiah.

Nov. 15.—Mr. R. S. O'Connor, asst. supnt. of police, Nowgong, to offic., until further orders, as dist. supnt. of police of Rungpore.

Mr. A. M. Macgregor to be asst. supnt. of police in the district of Behar.

Mr. J. B. Pratt, dep. mag. and dep. coll., to the charge of the sub. div. of Diamond Harbour, and to exercise the powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class in the 24-Pergunnahs.

Nov. 16.—Mr. E. D. Kilburn to be a member of the Council of the Lieut. gov. of Bengal for making laws and regs.

Nov. 22.—Mr. J. W. Galwey, C.E., to offic. as prof. of civil engineering in the Presidency College. Mr. W. Masters, prof. Dacca College, to be a prof. in the Hooghly College.

Mr. C. Martin, B.A. and B.L., to be a prof. in the Dacca College.

Nov. 10.—Leave of Absence:—

Capt. E. P. Lloyd, dep. comr. of Kamroop, is allowed leave of absence, on private affairs, up to the 15th prox., in ext. of the leave granted to him under the orders of the 27th ult.

Mr. S. H. C. Taylor has prepy. leave of absence up to April 23 last, in ext. of the leave granted him on the 12th idem.

Nov. 12.—Mr. P. P. Carter, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Sarun, for 6 mo., from the 1st inst., under para. 12, clause 1 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

Nov. 16.—Mr. E. F. G. Lingham, dep. mag. and dep. coll., Maldah, for 1 mo., under para. 16 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules, from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave.

Nov. 14.—The leave granted to Maj. T. Rattray, dep. insp. gen., 6th police circle, under orders of the 22nd ult., will take effect from the 21st inst.

Nov. 15.—The Lieut. gov. has been pleased to accept the resignation by Dr. J. B. Barry of his appt. as a member of the Council of the Lieut. gov. of Bengal for making laws and regulations.

Nov. 18.—No. 354.—Capt. C. J. Mead, B.A., exec. engr. of the 1st class, having returned from priv. leave, resumed charge of the 2nd div., grand trunk road, on 11th inst.

Nov. 19.—No. 355.—Mr. C. Ducas, exec. engr. of the 4th class, having been made available from the local estab. of the public works dept. in Bengal, resumed charge of the Tumlook div. on 28th ult.

No. 356.—Ens. G. Nolan (unattached), asst. engr. of the 1st class, attached to the Behar circle, is posted to the Burrakur div.

No. 358.—Lieut. H. McV. Crichton, R.E., asst. engr. of the 1st class, is posted to the garrison engr. dept., Fort William.

Comsrs.'s Office, Burdwan, Nov. 16.—Mr. H. Clark, asst. collector, has been placed in charge of the Bancoorah treasury, and is authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Nov. 12.—Mr. W. W. Hunter, asst. collector, has been placed in charge of the Beerbhoom treasury, and is authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Comsrs.'s Office, Cuttack Div., Camp Balasore, Nov. 18.—Mr. J. Ward, asst. collector, took charge of the Cuttack treasury Nov. 14 last, and has been empowered to draw bills on other treasuries.

Comsrs.'s Office, Rajshahye Div., Berhampore, Nov. 7.—Mr. D. W. Testro, asst. collector of Bograh, received charge of the Bograh collectorate from Mr. officiating collector A. B. Falcon on the 3rd inst., and he is authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Nov. 16.—Appointments:—

Mr. A. Mackenzie, asst. mag. of Koosteah, is vested with the powers of a mag. in Nuddea.

Mr. J. Ward to be a member of the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Cuttack.

Nov. 18.—Mr. G. S. Fagan, 2nd judge of the Court of Small Causes, Calcutta, to offic. as asst. sec. to the Govt. of Bengal in the legislative dept.

Dr. C. Archer to be civil surg. of Dacca.

Nov. 19.—Dr. B. Simpson, civil surg. of Darjeeling, to be in medical charge of the native troops in the district, in add. to his own duties.

Nov. 22.—Lieut. W. L. Samuells to offic. as add. asst. comr. of Kamroop, during the absence on deputation of Lieut. W. J. Williamson.

Nov. 23.—Mr. C. Stevens, asst. mag. of Baraset, to have charge of the sub. div. of Buxar, and to exercise the powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class, as well as the powers of a dep. coll. in Shahabad.

The following sub deputy opium agents are promoted:—

Mr. J. G. Pughe, Monghyr, from the 3rd to the 2nd grade.

Mr. T. F. Peppe, Tehta, from the 5th to the 3rd grade.

Mr. J. C. Shaw to be a sub deputy opium agent of the 5th grade, and to be stationed at Bettiah, but to continue to offic. at Hajepore until the return from leave of Mr. H. W. Cooke.

Nov. 24.—Dr. S. M. Shircore, to be a member of the municipal committee for the suburbs of Calcutta, v. Capt. Stanton, R.E., resigned.

Baboo Grish Chunder Ghose, officg. judge of the Small Cause court of Cuttack, to offic. also as register of deeds of that district.

Leave of absence:—

Nov. 16.—Mr. H. Bell, judge of the Small Cause court at Jessore, for three mos., from 15th inst.

Mr. E. S. Pearson, judge of Tirhoot, for 15 days, from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave.

Dr. A. J. Meyer, medical officer of Chyebassa, for one mo.

Mr. A. J. Fraser, sub asst. comsnnr., Sonthal Pergunnahs, for one mo.

Nov. 18.—Mr. J. H. Johnston, asst. superint. of police, Contai, for one mo., under para. 16 of the uncovenanted service absentee rules.

Nov. 21.—Mr. J. Beames, offic. magis. and coll. of Purneah, for 15 days, making over charge of his duties to Mr. N. S. Alexander.

Nov. 23.—Mr. F. W. J. Rees, asst. magis. and coll. of Sylhet, for one mo.

Mr. H. C. B. C. Raban, dep. comsnnr. of Nowgong, for three mos.

Mr. T. E. Coxhead, asst. magis. and coll. of Dinagepore, up to 5th inst., in ext. of leave he has already had, to enable him to join his app. at Dinagepore.

Nov. 24.—Mr. A. Money, comsnnr. of Bhaugulpore, for six days, to enable him to rejoin his app. on his return from leave.

Nov. 23.—The leave granted to Mr. J. B. Pratt, dep. magis. and dep. coll., on 10th inst., will take effect from the date on which he may avail himself of it.

The priv. leave of absence for one mo. granted by the Lord Bishop of Calcutta to the Rev. F. Hinde, chaplain of Sylhet, in ext. of the two mos. previously allowed, is confirmed.

The leave of absence granted to the Rev. W. Spencer, chaplain of Howrah, as notified in the *Calcutta Gazette* of 9th inst., will take effect from 15th idem.

Mr. J. A. Graham, asst. magis. and coll. of Tirhoot, having returned to his duties on 14th inst., the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him on 27th ult. is canc.

Nov. 26.—The app. of Mr. J. W. Galwey to offic. as professor of civil engrg. in the presidency coll., notified in *Calcutta Gazette* of 23rd inst., will not take effect till further orders.

Nov. 23.—No. 6,068.—Mr. C. H. Tawney, M.A., Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, to be an asst. prof. in the Presidency College, but to offic. as a prof. during the abs. on leave of Mr. E. B. Cowell.

Nov. 24.—Surg. J. B. Allen, 17th regt. N.I., to offic. temp. as civil asst. surg. of Bhaugulpore in add. to his own duties.

Mr. J. H. A. Branson, judge of the Small Cause Court of Calcutta, to offic. as senior mag. of police, Calcutta, during the absence on leave of Mr. T. H. Dickens.

Nov. 26.—Mr. F. Grant to offic. temp. as dep. registrar of deeds at Nattore.

The following gentlemen to be vice-chairmen of the municipal committees, under Act III. (B.C.) of the towns mentioned, viz. :—

Mr. W. V. G. Taylor, Mozufferpore.

Mr. G. Graham, Durbhungah.

Dr. R. Banbury, Gya.

Mr. W. R. Larmine, Patna.

Nov. 29.—Mr. J. Monro, joint mag. and dep. coll. of Sarun, to offic. as mag. and coll. of Patna during the deputation of Mr. T. E. Ravenshaw on spec. duty.

Mr. C. D. Field to offic. as judge of the Principal Court of Small Causes, at Jessore, during the abs. on leave of Mr. H. Bell.

Mr. T. F. W. Smith to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Mymensing.

Mr. A. L. Clay to have temp. charge of the sub. div. of Madareepore, and to exercise the powers of a subord. mag. of the 1st class, as well as the powers of a dep. coll., in Backergunge and Furreedpore.

Mr. T. W. Gribble to be a member of the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Maldah.

The following gentlemen to be members of the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Purneah, viz. :—

Mr. J. O'Kinealy.

Mr. A. Weeks.

Mr. E. J. Jackson to be a senior sub asst. revenue surveyor of the 1st class, with effect from Sept. 26 last.

Nov. 30.—Mr. E. DaCosta to offic. as a judge of the Court of Small Causes at Calcutta.

Mr. J. S. Bell to offic. as judge of the Small Cause Court in the suburbs of Calcutta, including Howrah.

Dec. 1.—Mr. S. Wauchope, C.S., additional judge of Hooghly and the 24 pergunnahs, is vested with the powers of additional judge in Burdwan, and of session judge in Howrah.

Nov. 28.—The services of Mr. H. T. Prinsep are replaced at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the home dept.

Nov. 29.—The services of Dr. J. Fawcus, offic. civil asst. surg. of Mymensing, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the military dept.

The leave granted to Dr. N. Jackson, civil medical officer of Balasore, Oct. 3 last, is canc. at his own request.

Nov. 30.—Mr. J. D. Gordon, mag. and coll. of Pabna, returned from leave by the steamer *Mooltan*, which arrived at the Sandheads Oct. 28 last.

Mr. D. Poole, asst. superint. of police, offic. as dist. superint. of Cuttack from Oct. 10 to Nov. 10.

The following gentlemen are appd. to be members of the Municipal Committee of Arrah and its suburbs under the Act :—Mr. T. F. Bignold (vice chairman), Maj. C. Reay, Dr. R. F. Hutchinson, Mr. J. Macnamara.

Berhampore, Nov. 22.—Mr. asst. coll. E. H. Rud-dock has received charge of the Rungpore collectorate from Mr. collector V. T. Taylor, and is authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Camp Arrah, Nov. 30.—Mr. H. G. Paynter, asst. collector of Patna, has been placed in charge of the Patna treasury, and authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Burdwan, Nov. 16.—Mr. H. Clark, asst. collector, has been placed in charge of the Bancoorah treasury, and is authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Nov. 12.—Mr. W. W. Hunter, asst. collector, has been placed in charge of the Beerbhoom treasury, and is authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Camp Balasore, Nov. 18.—Mr. J. Ward, asst. collector, took charge of Cuttack treasury Nov. 14, and has been empowered to draw bills on other treasuries.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR, N.W.P.

Nov. 16.—No. 3,546a.—This notification is issued under section 4, Act XXVI. of 1850.

No. 3,549a.—Mr. C. C. Hicks, offic. extra asst. comsnnr. at Lullutpore, is appd. to be an extra asst. comsnnr., 4th class, in the Jhansie div.

Nynee Tal, Nov. 15.—No. 5,208a.—Lieut. G. T. Skipwith, R.E., asst. engineer, N. division, Ganges Canal, has priv. leave for 2 mo. from date he may avail himself of same.

Allahabad, Nov. 15.—No. 2,620.—With reference to notification No. 2,287, dated 8th ult., Mr. A. Dubus, probat. asst. engineer, joined the 5th division, Grand Trunk Road, on 17th idem.

Nov. 19.—No. 2,651.—Lieut. F. J. Home, R.E., exec. engineer, Agra and Bhurtpoor irrigation works, is invested with magisterial powers, under Act 7 of 1845.

Nov. 15.—No. 524.—Mr. J. Whiteside, asst. conservator, Kumaon forests, is permitted to resign his appointment from 1st inst.

Mr. R. Thompson, asst. conservator of forests in Gurhwal, will assume charge of the Kumaon forests, in addition to his own duties, until further orders.

No. 526.—Mr. A. Foy is app. asst. conservator of forests in Kumaon, v. Mr. J. Whiteside, resigned, with effect from 8th inst.

Nov. 17.—No. 865a.—Capt. J. T. Watson, offic. comdt. of the Ajmere police court and district supt. of police at Ajmere, is app. to offic. as district superint. of police at Allypore, during the absence on leave of Maj. T. C. Hallett, or until further orders.

This app. will have effect from the date on which Capt. Watson is relieved of his present duties at Ajmere.

Nov. 23.—No. 870a.—One mo.'s priv. leave of absence under para. 16 of the uncovenanted service absentee rules, is granted to Mr. Ross Knyvett, asst. district superint. of police in the Meerut and Rohilcund div., with effect from Jan. 18 next, or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

Nov. 17.—No. 1,382a.—20 days' priv. leave of absence is granted to Mr. W. B. Joyce, dep. coll. at Moradabad, with effect from 5th inst., or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

Nov. 22.—No. 547.—The following statement, descriptive of the waste lands from which grant allotments are available for sale in some of the districts of the North-West. Provs. is published for general information.

Nov. 17.—No. 8,557a.—Asst. surg. T. W. Sheppard, whose serv. have been tempy. placed at the disp. of this Govt., is app. to offic. as civil asst. surg. at Azimgurh, with effect from the date on which he may be relieved from his present duties.

The present incumbent will remain in charge until relieved by Dr. Sheppard.

No. 8,559a.—The serv. of the Rev. A. W. Irwin, M.A., chaplain of Allahabad, are placed at the disp. of the Govt. of the Punjab, with effect from the date on which he may be relieved from his present duties.

Nov. 18.—No. 3,572a.—Major W. McNeile, dep. comsnnr., Punjab, whose services have been placed at disposal of this Government, is app. to officiate as commissioner of Jhansi during absence on leave of Major B. P. Lloyd, or until further orders.

Nov. 23.—No. 3,593a.—Mr. E. Macnaghten, jt. mag. and dep. coll., who reported his return from leave to Europe on 28th ult., has leave for 26 days, to enable him to rejoin his appointment.

Nov. 24.—No. 1,442.—Mr. T. B. Tracey, offic. jt. mag. and dep. coll. of Azimgurh, is app. to officiate for Mr. F. M. Bird, mag. and coll. of Jounpore, during his absence on leave, or until further orders.

Nynee Tal, Nov. 18.—No. 5,276a.—Mr. T. Jones, asst. engr., N. division, Ganges Canal, has priv. leave for 1 mo. from date he may avail himself of it.

No. 5,306a.—Lieut. col. W. E. Morton, R.E., chief engineer and secretary to Government, N.W.P., public works dept., has leave from 28th inst., or date he may avail himself of it, prep. to leave to Europe, on m.c.

No. 2,709.—With reference to notification No. 2,500, dated 4th inst., Capt. A. W. Owen, exec. engr., 4th class, joined the Bundelkund road div. on 9th idem.

Nov. 24.—No. 2,739.—Mr. Sub engr. G. W. Grant, attached to the Benares div. public works, availed himself, on 7th ult., of the one mo.'s priv. leave granted to him in notification No. 4,737a, dated 17th idem.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR PUNJAB.

Nov. 21.—No. 1,048.—Mr. J. Barlow, asst. patrol, Salt dept., has obt'd. leave of absence for one mo. on m.c., with effect from the date on which he availed himself of the same.

No. 915.—Mr. R. Kinchant, asst. superint. of police, offic. as district superint. of police, Hoshiarpore, from 1st to 8th Oct. inclusive.

Nov. 22.—No. 691.—Mr. G. W. Leitner, M.A., to be princ'l. of the Govt. coll., Lahore, with effect from 12th inst.

Nov. 21.—No. 2,242.—Capt. F. J. Millar, asst. comsnnr. 2nd class, to be asst. comsnnr. 1st class, v. Capt. J. F. Havelock, dec.

No. 2,243.—Lieut. F. D. Harington, asst. comsnnr. 3rd class, to be asst. comsnnr. 2nd class, v. Capt. F. J. Millar, prom.

No. 2,244.—Mr. D. G. Barkley, M.A., asst. comsnnr. 2nd class, to be comsnnr.'s personal asst.

Until further orders Mr. Barkley will continue to act as personal asst. to the comsnnr. of Umballa.

No. 2,245.—Lieut. R. T. Hare, asst. comsnnr. 3rd class, to be asst. comsnnr. 2nd class, v. Mr. D. G. Barkley, prom.

No. 2,246.—Lieut. E. C. Corbyn, asst. comsnnr., from the Mooltan to the Goojrat district.

No. 2,247.—Mr. C. A. Roe, asst. comsnnr., from the Goojrat to the Umritsur district, on being relieved by Lieut. Corbyn.

No. 2,248.—Mr. A. R. Bulman, asst. comsnnr., from the Umritsur to the Mooltan district.

No. 2,249.—Capt. J. C. Horne, asst. comsnnr., from the Rohtuck to the Umballa district, on Col. Voyle's return from leave.

No. 2,250.—Mr. E. Parker, offic. extra asst. comsnnr., from the Kurnal to the Hoshiarpore district.

No. 2,251.—Mr. G. Knox, asst. comsnnr., to the Peshawur district, in supersession of *Punjab Gazette* order, No. 2,047, dated 25th ult.

No. 2,255.—The serv. of Maj. W. McNeile, dep. comsnnr. 1st class, are placed tempy. at the disp. of the Govt., North-West. Provs.

No. 2,256.—Mr. L. S. Saunders, to be asst. settlement officer, v. Lieut. Hudleston, transf. to the Central Provs.

No. 2,258.—Mr. G. E. Wakefield, asst. comsnnr., from the Sirsa to the Ferozepore district.

No. 2,259.—Mr. R. G. Melvill, asst. comsnnr., from the Googaira to the Mooltan district, with effect from Oct. 6.

No. 2,260.—*Erratum*.—In *Punjab Gazette* order, dated 7th inst., for "Lieut. R. A. Armstrong," read "Lieut. R. S. Armstrong."

Nov. 22.—No. 2,276.—The serv. of the Rev. R. Henderson, chaplain of the Church of Scotland, are placed at the disp. of the Govt. of Bengal from Dec. 16.

Nov. 23.—No. 924.—The Rev. J. Smith, of the Baptist mission, Delhi, is hereby licensed to solemnise marriages within the territories of the Punjab Govt.

No. 925.—The Rev. A. Rudolph, of the American

Presby. mission, is hereby licensed to grant certificates of marriages between native Christians.

No. 927.—Mr. L. H. Griffin, asst. comsgr., to offic. as personal asst. to the judicial comsgr., v. Mr. L. Saunders.

Nov. 24.—No. 2,293.—Mr. C. Burton, extra asst. comsgr., Kangra, has obt'd. priv. leave of absence for one mo., with effect from 10th prox., or such date as he may avail himself of the same.

Nov. 22.—No. 326.—Lieut. T. Higginson, adjt. 22nd Madras native inf., offic. doing duty officer 2nd Punjab cav., is app. to act as wing officer to the 1st Punjab inf., during the absence, on furl., of Lieut. H. W. Pitcher.

No. 328.—The 3rd Sikh inf. regimental order dated 3rd inst., making the following arrangements, consequent on the departure on m.c. of Lieut. col. R. Renny, comdt., is confirmed:—

Maj. D. Mocatta, 2nd in com. and wing officer, to act as comdt.

Lieut. B. R. Chambers, wing officer, to act as 2nd in com. and wing officer.

Lieut. W. B. Aislabie, qrmr., to act as wing officer tempy.

Lieut. P. W. Smith, paid doing duty officer, to act as qrmr.

Lieut. Aislabie to continue to discharge the qrmr.'s duties until the return from com. of Lieut. Smith.

No. 329.—3rd Sikh Inf.—Lieut. F. T. Bainbridge, doing duty officer 1st Sikh inf., to act as wing officer in room of Lieut. Chambers, offic. 2nd in com.

Nov. 28.—No. 700.—Mr. C. R. Cooke, B.A., to be head master of the Delhi Zillah school.

No. 2,305.—The Rev. M. S. Laing, chaplain of Murree, to offic. as chaplain of Delhi, with effect from the date of the departure of the Rev. D. P. Williams, until further orders.

No. 2,308.—The serv. of Sub asst. surg. S. P. Johns are placed at the disp. of the Govt. of the North-West. Provs.

No. 2,311.—With reference to *Punjab Gazette* order, No. 1,282, dated Sept. 10, 1863, it is hereby notified that the Rt. Hon. the Sec. of State for India has granted ext. leave for six mos. to Mr. A. K. Blackall, extra asst. comsgr. in the Punjab.

No. 2,320.—Leave.—Asst. Surg. C. T. Oldham, M.D., civil asst. surg. in the Goordaspore dist., has obtained priv. leave of absence for 3 mo., with effect from the date of his availing himself of the same.

No. 2,322.—Appt.—Lieut. C. E. Armstrong is appd. an asst. comsgr. of the 3rd class, and posted to the Jhelum dist.

Nov. 28.—No. 3,972.—The 3 mo. priv. leave granted to Mr. J. W. Wright, asst. engr., 3rd div. Lahore and Peshawur road, in Punjab Govt. notification No. 3,343, dated Nov. 5, is canc. at his own request.

Nov. 29.—No. 4,016.—Prom.—Lieut. J. Browne, asst. engr. of the 2nd class, and offic. exec. engr. Kohat div., to be asst. engr. 1st class from Nov. 1.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Head Quarters, Camp Umballah, Nov. 2.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 621, the C. in C. is pleased to direct Capt. W. Macdonald, late 25th N.I., to do duty with 43rd N.I., on his being relieved from the duties of his present appointment in the Bengal police.

Lieut. E. Knatchbull, late 18th N.I., is appointed to do duty with 11th N.I., and will join at once.

Lieut. A. W. R. Becher, A.D.C. to the major gen. comdg. Oude div., is attached for duty to 14th Bengal cav., as a tempy. arrangement, and directed to join at once.

The undermentioned officers are permitted to continue their studies at the Thomason College, Roorkee, till Nov. 1, 1865:—

Ensign D. H. Thompson, 54th foot.

Capt. F. D. M. Brown, v.c., 101st foot.

Lieut. L. Wavell, qrmr., 22nd N.I.

The following medical officers will take medical charge of invalids or time-expired men embarking from Calcutta for England:—

Staff surg. E. Touch, M.D.

Asst. surg. A. Hooper, 42nd foot.

Asst. surg. A. Guthrie, M.D., 3rd batt. rifle brig.

Asst. surg. H. Kelsall, 1st batt. 20th foot, is app. to med. charge of Nynee Tal convalescent depot, in succession to Asst. surg. Guthrie, 3rd batt. rifle brig., and will join under instructions which will be communicated to him by the inspector gen. of hospitals, H.M.'s British forces.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Lieut. Sir G. L. M. Parker, Bart. (qrmr. 3rd Goorkha regt.), from Oct. 15 to Dec. 23,

in ext. of priv. leave, to proceed to Calcutta, prep. to applying for sick leave to Europe.

19th Foot.—Capt. W. F. T. Marshall (1st batt.), from date of embarkation, to England, for 17 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

51st Foot.—Capt. W. C. E. Scott (instructor of musketry), from Sept. 30 to Oct. 30, to visit Murree and to proceed to Calcutta, on m.c.

79th Foot.—Lieut. W. D. S. Campbell, from Oct. 16 to Oct. 31, in ext., to remain in Cashmere, m.c.

Late 6th Eur. Regt.—Capt. J. C. Hamilton (2nd in com. and wing officer 45th N.I.), from July 30 to Nov. 30, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Simla, on m.c.

Late 15th N.I.—Lieut. R. Milne (doing duty 26th N.I.), from Nov. 1, 1864, to Jan. 31, 1865, to visit Calcutta, to study the native languages.

Nov. 3.—The undermentioned officers are app. to do duty as specified:—

Capt. R. Jenkins, late 5th Eur. L.C., to do gen. duty at Umballah.

Lieut. G. H. Heavyside, gen. list, cav., to do duty with 2nd drag. guards.

Lieut. J. Hopkins, unattached list, doing duty 21st N.I., to do gen. duty at Dinapore.

Staff Asst. surg. R. R. Scott is appointed to med. charge of Darjeeling convalescent depot, in succession to Asst. surg. L. Kidd, M.B., 27th foot, who, on being relieved, will rejoin his regt.

Asst. surg. W. Creagh, F. brig. R.H.A., is posted to F. batty. at Sealkote, and will proceed to join, taking med. charge of drafts en route.

Staff Asst. surg. R. J. B. Cunynghame, M.D., doing duty with R.A. at Umballah, will proceed in med. charge of C. batty. F. brig. R.H.A., ordered from Umballah to Meerut.

Asst. surg. W. Collis, C. brig. R.H.A., doing duty at the Kussowlie convalescent depot, will take med. charge of detachment ordered to Subathoo, as a tempy. arrangement.

The following orders by the officer comdg. 9th Bengal cav., are confirmed:—

Dated Aug. 28 last.—Directing Capt. H. T. Oldfield, 2nd in com. and squadron officer, to assume command.

Dated Sept. 1 last.—Appointing Lieut. and Offic. Adj. G. A. Furse to offic. as 2nd in com. and squadron officer, in addition to his other duties.

The following orders are confirmed:—

Huzara station order, dated Dec. 31 last, directing Staff Asst. surg. H. F. Hensman to assume med. charge of detachments of R.A., 13th Bengal cav., police, and native levies.

Peshawur division order, dated Feb. 8 last, appointing Capt. B. Soady, late 24th N.I., to com. of Fort Abazie, v. Lieut. G. Atkins, app. to 1st regt. N.I.

Rawul Pindee brigade order, dated April 27 last, appointing Surg. C. Lowdell, in med. charge of art. div., to afford med. aid to detachment 7th hussars.

Cachar station order, dated May 21 last, appointing Dr. R. A. Barker, in civil med. charge, to afford med. aid to detachment 39th regt. N.I.

By the officer commanding 1st batt. 20th foot, dated Sept. 1 last, appointing Maj. J. T. N. O'Brien regtl. interp., there being no qualified officer available.

Peshawur brigade order, dated Sept. 3 last, appointing Unattached Ensign J. Milrick to tempy. com. of compy. of sappers and miners, v. Lieut. L. H. E. Tucker, app. to another situation.

By H.E. the C. in C. of Madras, dated Sept. 10 last, permitting Asst. surg. G. A. Moorhead, F. brig. R.H.A., to do duty at Bangalore till Oct. 31.

By the Officer commanding 31st regt. N.I., dated Sept. 12 last, directing Lieut. and Qrmr. H. V. Riddell to take charge of adj.'s office and wings, v. Lieut. C. O'Donel.

Leave of absence:—

Late 27th N.I.—Lieut. J. Miller (doing duty 28th N.I.), from Nov. 1, 1864, to March 1, 1865, to proceed to Presidency, to study the native languages.

Late 63rd N.I.—Lieut. C. Richardes (doing duty 9th N.I.), from Sept. 10 to Nov. 10, in ext., to visit Darjeeling, on m.c.

Gen. List, Inf.—Lieut. C. C. Brownlow (doing duty 20th N.I.), from Oct. 9, 1864, to April 8, 1865, to proceed to Presidency, to study the native languages.

Unattached List.—Ensign T. Hardy (doing duty 36th N.I.), from Oct. 30, 1864, to April 30, 1865, to visit Calcutta, for the purpose of studying the native languages.

Sub-Medical Dept.—Hon. Asst. surg. F. H. A. Leech, from Nov. 1, 1864, to May 1, 1865, to visit Agra.

Nov. 5.—The undermentioned officers are app. to do duty as specified:—

Capt. W. D. Bisop, late 30th N.I., to do gen. duty at Futehgurh.

Capt. T. C. Anderson, late 12th N.I., to do gen. duty at Allahebad.

Lieut. D. C. Hennessy, gen. list, inf., attached to 4th regt. N.I., to do duty with 25th regt. N.I.

The leave prep. to retirement from the service granted to Capt. J. J. Hockley, 104th foot, in G.O. of Sept. 18 last, will be held to have commenced from 12th ult.

Lieut. O. F. Le Mottee, 11th brig. R.A., held com. of a detachment of recruits at Cawnpore from Dec. 14, 1861, to Jan. 1, 1862.

The following brigade orders are confirmed:—

Rawul Pindee brigade order, dated 4th ult., directing Vet. surg. A. Turnbull, R.A., to afford professional aid to the horses of a detachment of 7th hussars at Rawul Pindee, with effect from 1st idem.

Ferozepore brigade order, dated 11th ult., directing Lieut. C. Cowie, A. batty. 16th brig. R.A., relieved from duty in the ordnance dept., to do duty with A. batty. 19th brig. R.A., pending his transfer to the same.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Maj. R. Ouseley (doing duty Landour convalescent depot), from Oct. 15 to Dec. 15, to visit the Presidency, prep. to applying for furl. to Europe, on m.c.

Royal Horse Artillery.—Lieut. col. A. Wintle (F. brig.), from Oct. 15, 1864, to Jan. 15, 1865, in ext., to remain at Simla, on m.c.

7th Hussars.—Col. A. Scudamore, C.B., from Oct. 7 to Oct. 16, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Murree.

21st Hussars.—Capt. H. Parker, from Sept. 6, 1864, to March 6, 1865, to Bombay and sea, on m.c.; and Cornet E. S. Neave, from Oct. 10 to Oct. 31, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Simla, on m.c.

38th Foot.—Capt. H. P. Hurford, from Oct. 18, 1864, to March 1, 1865, to visit Landour and Hills north of Deyrah, on m.c.

52nd Foot.—Capt. C. Keyworth (instructor of musketry), from Oct. 2 to Oct. 5, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

71st Foot.—Capt. G. E. Hill, from June 28 to Dec. 27, to Simla. This cancels the leave granted in G.O. of July 22.

107th Foot.—Capt. W. Owen, from Oct. 21 to Nov. 30, in ext., to remain at Simla, on m.c.

Rifle Brigade.—Major A. Green (2nd batt.), from Oct. 11 to Nov. 30, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Mussoorie and Hills north of Deyrah.

Late 1st Eur. L.C.—Major C. H. Nicholetts, from Oct. 24 to Nov. 24, in ext., on m.c., to enable him to rejoin at Meerut.

Late 45th N.I.—Major A. S. O. Donaldson (station staff Landour convalescent depot), from Oct. 15, 1864, to Jan. 15, 1865, to Calcutta, on m.c., under new rules; and Maj. F. G. Crossman (comdt. Lahore light horse), from July 2 to July 12, in ext. of priv. leave.

Late 69th N.I.—Lieut. F. R. A. B. Constable (doing duty E.I. regt.), from Sept. 6 to Nov. 6, to Dacca.

Med. Dept.—Surg. J. A. C. Hutchinson, M.D., from Oct. 15, 1864, to Jan. 15, 1865, to Calcutta, prep. to applying for sick leave to Europe.

Nov. 8.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following promotions, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

104th Foot.—Lieut. C. Pigou to be capt., v. Hockley, who retires from the service; dated Oct. 15; Ensign W. H. C. Smith to be lieut., v. Pigou, prom.; dated Oct. 15.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

7th Hussars.—Lieut. A. Peel, from 101st royal Bengal fus., to be lieut., v. Pedder, who exch.; dated Oct. 18.

48th Foot.—Lieut. H. H. Oldham, from 101st foot, to be lieut., v. Hatton, who exch.; dated Oct. 20.

82nd Foot.—Lieut. F. Cardew, from 104th foot, to be lieut., v. Bunbury, who exch.; dated Oct. 20.

101st Foot.—Lieut. W. B. Hatton, from 48th foot, to be lieut., v. Oldham, who exch.; dated Oct. 20. Lieut. H. B. Pedder, from 7th hussars, to be lieut., v. Peel, who exch.; dated Oct. 18.

104th Foot.—Lieut. W. R. Bunbury, from 82nd foot, to be lieut., v. Cardew, who exch.; dated Oct. 20.

The C. in C. in India accepts the retirement from the service, by the sale of his commission, of Capt. G. H. H. Ware, 51st foot, subject to approval by her Majesty; dated Oct. 22.

The leave from Sept. 12 to Nov. 30, to Murree and Hills north of Deyrah, granted to Major H. L.

Campbell, comdnt. 9th Bengal cav., in G.O. of July 22 last, is hereby cancelled at his own request.

Lieut. J. N. Steel, doing duty officer 25th regt. N.I., will, on arrival of his regt. at Delhi, be attached to 19th hussars at Meerut, for instruction in equitation, without detriment to his present appointment.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the Officer commanding 37th regt. N.I., dated Sept. 16 last, appointing Lieut. C. Ransford, doing duty officer, to offic. as adj. until the arrival of Lieut. and Qrmr. C. E. D. Branson.

Gwalior district order, dated Sept. 17 last, directing Major J. I. Murray, comdnt. 14th Bengal cav., to remain on special duty at Morar on the march of his regt.

By the officer commanding 31st regt. N.I., dated Sept. 19 last, appointing Lieut. J. T. Harris, late 2nd Eur. fus., attached, to offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer.

Dinapore brigade order, dated Sept. 24 last, appointing Capt. G. Ward, major of brigade, to offic. as station interp., in addition to his other duties, there being no qualified officer available.

Roorkee station order, dated Sept. 26 last, appointing Lieut. R. W. Elton, late 74th N.I., to the charge of the depot of 3rd Goorkha regt., proceeding on field service.

Leave of absence:—

21st Hussars.—Lieut. F. B. Prinsep, from Oct. 13 to Nov. 13, in ext.

1st Foot.—Capt. F. H. Hope, 1st batt., for 15 mo. from date of embarkation at Bombay, to England.

77th Foot.—Capt. H. M. L. Colquhoun, inspec. of musketry, 2nd dragoons, from 9th to 16th Oct., in ext., prep. to Europe.

97th Foot.—Ensign E. J. A. Smith, from Oct. 11 to Nov. 10, to Calcutta, m.c.

104th Foot.—Lieut. W. H. Brind, from date of regiment leaving Bareilly to Feb. 15 next: to remain at Bareilly for the purpose of studying the native languages.

Late 4th Eur. Cav.—Major T. R. Snow, doing duty Mooradabad, from Oct. 15 to Jan. 15, 1865, in ext.; to remain at Nynee Tal, m.c.

Head Qrs. Camp Moulana, Nov. 9.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following app.:—

14th Regt. N.I.—Major C. W. Miles, offic. 2nd in com. and wing officer to the 18th regt. N.I., to be 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Major B. H. Baugh, resigned; dated Oct. 24, 1864.

The undermentioned officers are directed to do duty as specified:—

Lieut. C. R. C. Wilcox, late 4th Eur. regt., to do general duty at Futtehghurh on expiration of his privilege leave.

Lieut. D. M. Strong, gen. list, inf., to do duty with 10th hussars for instruction in cavalry drill.

The following order is confirmed:—

By H.E. the C. in C. of Bombay, dated Sept. 15 last, appointing Cornet W. J. Power, 6th dragoons, to officiate as instructor of musketry during absence on leave of Lieut. Bennett, with effect from July 28 last.

Leave of absence:—

7th Drag. Gds.—Lieut. H. Bulkeley, from 1st to 31st Oct.; to Calcutta, m.c.

36th Foot.—Lieut. H. R. Stracey, from Oct. 15 to Dec. 31, in ext., m.c.

54th Foot.—Capt. T. S. Robin, from date of embarkation, to England, for 17 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage; and Lieut. D. B. Coppinger, from Oct. 16 to Nov. 16, in ext.; to Calcutta, m.c.

107th Foot.—Capt. A. L. Nicholson, from Oct. 16 to April 16, 1865, in ext., m.c.

Late 11th N.I.—Lieut. S. G. Warde, from Oct. 1 to Jan. 1, 1865, in ext., m.c.

Late 39th N.I.—Lieut. W. F. Bartleman, adjt. 43rd N.I., from date of leaving regt., to Calcutta, for 60 days, m.c.

Gen. List, Inf.—Lieut. J. Hay, doing duty 4th Goorkha regt., from Oct. 2 to Jan. 29, 1865; to Presidency, to study native languages.

Medical Dept.—Surg. major T. C. Hutchinson, attached to 16th N.I., from Jan. 7 to Feb. 6 next; to Presidency, prep. to retiring from the service.

Head Quarters, Camp Chupper, Nov. 10.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appt.:—

36th Regt. N.I.—Capt. C. S. Fowle, late 22nd N.I., to be wing officer; dated Oct. 22.

The C. in C. in India accepts the retirement from the service, by the sale of his commission, of Ens. R. A. L. Walker, 77th foot, subject to approval by her Majesty; dated Oct. 25.

The appt. of Staff asst. surg. R. J. B. Cunyng-hame, m.d., to proceed in medical charge of C baty.

F brig. R.H.A., from Umballah to Meerut, published in G.O.C.C. of 3rd inst., is hereby cancl.

The following Meerut div. order is confirmed:—
Dated 12th ult.—Directing Major W. R. Cunningham, late 5th European regt., to do gen. duty at Delhi.

Return Home of H.M.'s 52nd Regt. L.I.

Dec. 2.—No. 272.—Upon each occasion of the embarkation from Calcutta of a regiment that has taken part in the most important actions in the suppression of the mutiny, the Government of India has issued a General Order in acknowledgment of the services of the corps.

2. The 52nd Oxfordshire Light Infantry is about to return to England after an absence of more than eleven years, and is the last of the old British line regiments remaining in India that shared in the siege of Delhi.

3. The Viceroy and Governor-general in Council desires to place on record his sense of the good service rendered in India by the 52nd, a regiment which had previously gained the highest distinction in some of the most famous battles recorded in our history.

4. It is peculiarly gratifying to the Viceroy himself to acknowledge the important aid rendered to the security of the Punjab by the movable column formed on the outbreak of the great mutiny in May, 1857, of which the 52nd formed a most important part, and his Excellency can never forget that it was by the 52nd Regiment and the Bengal Artillery, under Brigadier-general John Nicholson, that the Sealkote mutineers were entirely defeated on the banks of the Ravee in July, 1857, consequent upon which event it became possible to send the Punjab movable column to Delhi, without the assistance of which reinforcement it might have been difficult to capture that city.

5. The regiment arrived before Delhi on the 14th of August, 1857, with an effective strength of 660 of all ranks, of whom only 255 remained effective to form the British portion of the 3rd column of assault, commanded by its own lieutenant-colonel, Colonel George Campbell, which stormed the Cashmere Gate on the 14th September, on which day the regiment lost one-third of its strength.

6. It was subsequently engaged during the six days' struggle in the streets until the city and palace were entirely captured, and has been permitted to add the word "Delhi" to the list of memorable battles and sieges already inscribed upon its colours.

7. The Viceroy and Governor-general in Council heartily thanks the 52nd Regiment for their valuable services, and wishes them a prosperous voyage to England.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Fort St. George, Dec. 6.—No. 466.—The following extracts from notifications in the *Gazette of India* are republished:—

Fort William, Nov. 15.—No. 1,238.—Lieut. R. A. Cole, cantonment mag. and superint. of police, Bangalore, returned to his duty on Oct. 5.

No. 1,251.—H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to accept the resignation by Asst. surg. J. Law, m.d., Madras Medical Service, of his appt. as civil asst. surg. of the Bhundara district, Central Provinces, with effect from Nov. 10.

Dr. Law's services are replaced at the disposal of the milly. dept.

Nov. 17.—No. 1,272.—Lieut. C. S. Blair, app. in G.O. No. 1,006, dated Aug. 24, to be an asst. in the Mysore Commission, on probation, reported his arr. at Bangalore on Oct. 21.

Nov. 11.—No. 310.—Maj. E. A. Saunders, exec. engr., 4th class, offic. as asst. to the chief engr. and asst. sec. to the Chief Comr., Central Provinces, is app. to the exec. charge of the Kamptee div.

Capt. B. J. Prior, exec. engr., 2nd class, 3rd div., Great Northern Road, is app. to offic. as controller of public works accounts, Central Provinces, with the rank of 3rd class controller, during the absence of Mr. MacLagan.

Lieut. J. P. Westmorland, R.E., offic. dep. controller of public works accounts in Oude, is confirmed in that app., with the rank of dep. controller, 2nd class.

Fort St. George, Dec. 6.—No. 467.—The following extract from G.O. by the govt. of Bombay, is republished:—

Bombay Castle, Nov. 25.—No. 579.—The following officers are allowed furl. to Eur., on m.c.:—

Capt. H. J. E. Teed, Madras staff corps, and 2nd

in command 1st regt. inf. Hyderabad contingent, for 20 mo.

Lieut. H. C. Davies, H.M.'s 29th regt., Madras N.I., for 18 mo.

Assist. surg. H. J. Beach, of the Madras med. estab., for 18 mo.

Nov. 29.—Appointments.—Mr. Percy M. Jones, actg. assist. superint. of police, Krishna district, to act as assist. superint. of police, Godavery dist., during the employment of Lieut. Guthrie on other duty.

Assist. surg. M. C. Furnell, civil surg. of Cochin, to be a lay trustee of the church at that station, v. Mr. Cullen.

The underment. gentlemen are admitted as members of the Madras C.S., from the 25th inst., the date of their arrival at the presy. per steamer *Nooltan*:—

Mr. W. A. Happell.

Mr. H. F. Clogstoun.

Mr. E. N. Overbury.

Mr. E. Gibson.

The office of Vice Chancellor of the University of Madras having become vacant by effluxion of time, H.E. the Gov. in Council of Fort St. George has been pleased to re-appoint to that office the Hon. Sir C. Harman, Scotland, knight, chief justice of the High Court of Judicature.

No. 450.—Returned to his duty:—Maj. T. Peyton, staff corps, arrived at Madras on Nov. 25, 1864.

The servs. of Capt. R. G. Jones, of the 2nd regt. L.C., are placed at the disposal of the govt. of India, for civil employment at Secunderabad.

No. 451.—Madras Staff Corps.—The admission to the Madras staff corps, of Lieut. M. A. Rowlandson, 41st Regt. N.I., is to have effect from Oct. 30, 1862, and not from Nov. 24, 1861, as notified in G.O.G. Sept. 27, 1864, No. 381.

Dec. 1.—No. 7,312.—Asst. surg. S. T. Heard, m.d., in medical charge of public cattle department, Hoosoor, has privilege leave for 15 days from 2nd inst.

Nov. 26.—The unexpired portion of the privilege leave granted to Lieut. J. G. Cloëté, 1st asst. superint., No. 1 revenue survey, Salem, and published in Fort St. George *Gazette* of Oct. 4 last, is cancelled, he having returned to duty on 16th inst.

Bombay Castle, Nov. 21.—Mr. J. Hope, Madras C.S., to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kulladghee.

Fort St. George, Nov. 30.—No. 456.—The services of Capt. (brevet major) H. Dixon, 22nd regt. N.I., are placed at disposal of Government of India, for temp. employment under foreign dept.

Dec. 2.—No. 457.—H.E. the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following promotions and alteration of rank, subject to her Majesty's approval:—

Cadre 44th Regt. N.I.—Senior capt. (brev. major) G. Paxton to be major, and Lieut. (brev. capt.) H. C. B. Barnett to be capt., v. Western, retired; date of commissions, July 3, 1863.

10th Regt. N.I.—Senior lieut. E. G. Dixon to be capt., v. Harness, retired; date of commission, March 20, 1864.

2nd Regt. L.C.—Senior lieut. A. Farrer to be capt., v. Macdonald, promoted; date of commission, July 16, 1864.

Alteration of Rank.

2nd Regt. L.C.—Capt. P. D. Henderson to take rank from April 28, 1864, v. Carey, retired.

The undermentioned officer has returned to his duty, by permission of the Home Government, without prejudice to his rank:—

Major C. M. Shakespear, staff corps; date of arrival at Madras, Nov. 25.

No. 458.—With reference to G.O.G. Feb. 10, 1863, No. 41, the name of the undermentioned officer, who retired from the service under the annuity scheme, will be removed from the list of regimental lieut. cols. of cav.:—

Lieut. col. (major gen.) B. W. Cumberlege, v. Col. (lieut. gen.) G. Sandys, deceased, Oct. 20, 1864.

Dec. 9.—Mr. L. Forbes, Madras C.S., reported his return to the Pres. this day, per str. *Nubia*.

Mr. J. F. Price, acting head asst. to the coll. and mag. of North Arcot, is invested with power to hear and dispose of appeals from the decisions of the sub. mags. of the 2nd class stationed in the div. under his charge.

Dec. 8.—The Board of Revenue have granted 1 mo. priv. leave to Mr. W. F. Hewatson, dep. coll. of Malabar.

Dec. 9.—No. 468.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following appts. and proms., the latter subject to H.M.'s approval, during the absence in Eur. on m.c. of Capt. (brev. maj.) C. H. Harri-

son, comy. of ordnance, 1st class, or until further orders:—

Capt. C. D. Waddell, R.M.A., comy. of ordnance, 2nd class, to act as comy. of ordnance, 1st class.

Capt. E. W. Childers, R.M.A., comy. of ordnance, 3rd class, to act as comy. of ordnance, 2nd class.

Lieut. R. C. Smith, R.A., to act as comy. of ordnance, 3rd class.

Commissariat Department.

Senior 1st class Dep. Asst. Comy. gen., Capt. G. A. Walker, to be asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, v. Maj. Mackellar drowned at sea Oct. 6.

1st class Dep. Asst. Comy. gen., Maj. C. W. S. Young, to act as asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, to complete the estab.

Senior 2nd class Dep. Asst. Comy. gen., Capt. B. H. W. Magrath, to be 1st class dep. asst. comy. gen., v. Walker, prom.

2nd class Dep. Asst. Comy. gen. Capt. H. P. Hawkes, to act as 1st class dep. asst. comy. gen., to complete the estab.

Senior 1st class Sub asst. Comy. gen., Capt. J. C. Macdonald, to be 2nd class dep. asst. comy. gen., v. Magrath, prom.

1st class Sub asst. Comy. gen., Capt. G. J. Heath, to act as 2nd class dep. asst. comy. gen., to complete the estab.

Senior 2nd class Sub asst. Comy. gen., Lieut. J. C. Ganning, to be 1st class sub asst. comy. gen., v. Macdonald, prom.

2nd class Sub asst. Comy. gen., Capt. G. S. B. Hewatson, to act as 1st class sub asst. comy. gen., to complete the estab.

Promotions.

8th Light Cav.—Major (Brev. lieut. col.) J. E. Mayne, staff corps, to be lieut. col.; Capt. (brev. maj.) J. G. Cookson, to be maj.; Lieut. A. E. Arbuthnot, to be capt.; Nov. 30; v. Lieut. col. A. J. Kelso, ret.

5th Light Cav.—Maj. L. Barrow, c.b., lieut. col. in staff corps, to be lieut. col.; Capt. G. R. Phillips, maj. in staff corps, to be maj.; Lieut. T. H. T. Chalon, to be capt.; Nov. 30; v. Lieut. col. J. E. Mayne, staff corps, removed from the list of regtl. lieut. cols.

4th Light Cav.—Maj. C. R. Stainforth, to be lieut. col.; Capt. E. M. Lawford, to be maj.; Lieut. A. R. Kenney, cav. gen. list, to be capt.; Nov. 30; v. Lieut. col. L. Barrow, c.b., staff corps, removed from the list of regtl. lieut. cols.

24th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. E. L. Hankin, capt. in staff corps, to be capt., Dec. 6, v. Capt. (brev. maj.) W. Hornidge, ret.

8th Regt. Native Inf.—Sen. Lieut. F. T. Pollok capt. in staff corps, to have the position of capt., v. MacKellar, dec.; Oct. 7.

26th Regt. N.I.—Senior Lieut. F. D. Gordon, dec., to be capt., v. Somerville, dec.; date of commission, Sept. 29.

Capt. T. Kirkpatrick, staff corps, dec., to take position from May 2, 1864, v. Gordon, dec.

MEMO.—The above cancels the alteration of rank of Capt. Kirkpatrick, published in G.O.G. Oct. 4, 1864, No. 438.

Lieut. R. Taylor, vet. estab., having been reported unfit for continuous active service, will relinquish his appt. of dep. asst. comy. of ordnance, from Dec. 31.

No. 469.—Madras Staff Corps.—The undermentioned officers, having applied for admission to the staff corps, are admitted thereto from the dates specified against their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. (brev. capt.) F. Gadsden, 5th regt. N.I., adjt. of his regt.; Oct. 26, 1861.

Lieut. J. MacD. Smith, 12th regt. N.I., asst. to the Agent to the Gov. of Fort St. George in Vizagapatam; Nov. 8, 1861.

Lieut. H. S. Court, cadre 44th regt. N.I., late adjt. of his regt.; July 30, 1862.

Lieut. J. Lidderdale, having completed 12 years' service, 4 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt., from Dec. 9, 1864, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Dec. 13.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. J. Maskell, mag. of police, Madras, priv. leave for 1 mo., from 4th prox.

Lieut. col. G. W. Walker, R.E., superintg. engr., 7th div., 8 mo. cumulative leave from 24th inst., under the orders of the Govt. of India, No. 6,372, dated July 19, 1860.

Appt.:—Lieut. W. F. Wright, Madras staff corps, to be Tamil translator to Govt., without prejudice to his military duties, v. Mr. C. F. Chamier, res.

The priv. leave granted to the Rev. J. W. Wynch, M.A., chaplain of Vizagapatam on the 25th ult., will

commence from the date of quitting his station, and not from Nov. 28.

No. 4,094.—Asst. surg. M. C. Farnell, civil surg., Cochin, has priv. leave for 15 days, in Dec., from date of departure.

Dec. 9.—Priv. leave is granted to Veterinary surg. F. G. Shaw, of the remount dept., from the 9th to 31st Dec.

Dec. 10.—No. 70.—Priv. leave of absence has been granted to Capt. E. J. Storey, acting superint. of police, Salem, for one mo.

Dec. 13.—No. 7,639.—Priv. leave to Asst. surg. S. T. Heard, in medical charge public cattle dept., Hoonoor, for 30 days, from 2nd inst.

The priv. leave published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* is cancelled.

Dec. 10.—No. 471.—The services of Capt. R. C. Stewart, cadre 8th regt. L.C., are placed at disposal of Government of India for civil employment in Mysore.

Dec. 13.—No. 472.—H.E. the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following appointment and promotions, the latter subject to her Majesty's approval:—

Capt. (brevet major) J. R. Boswall, cadre 51st regt. N.I., doing duty 37th gren., to be paymr. of pensioners and holders of family certificates at Trichinopoly.

Brevet.

28th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. H. G. Puckle to be capt. from Dec. 9, 1864.

33rd Regt. N.I.—Capt. W. Barber to be major from Dec. 10, 1864.

Cadre 44th Regt. N.I.—Capt. F. M. Davis to be major from Dec. 10, 1864.

8th Regt. N.I.—Capt. A. Child to be major from Dec. 10, 1864.

35th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. A. T. Cox to be capt. from Dec. 10, 1864.

2nd Regt. N.I.—Lieut. S. H. Williams to be capt. from Dec. 12, 1864.

Col. G. W. Y. Simpson, inspec. gen. of ordnance, has priv. leave for 8 days from 16th inst.

The undermentioned officers are permitted to proceed to Europe:—

Capt. (brevet major) C. Hight, cadre 18th regt. N.I., on m.c. for 3 years, under old regulations, and to embark from Madras.

Lieut. H. L. Berkley, inf., gen. list, doing duty 5th regt. N.I., on m.c. for 20 mo., under regulations of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Returned to duty:—

Maj. G. H. Atkinson, 42nd regt. N.I., arrived at Madras Dec. 9.

Lieut. col. C. C. McCallum, staff corps, dep. judge advocate gen., northern div., arrived at Madras Dec. 9.

Sub Conductor J. Gouldney, commissariat dept., arrived at Madras Nov. 20.

No. 473.—Madras Staff Corps.—The undermen. officers having applied for admission to the staff corps, republished in Madras G.O.G. July 22, No. 276, are admitted thereto from the dates specified against their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secy. of State for India:—

Lieut. C. A. Shortt, H.M.'s 66th regt., 1st asst. superint., revenue survey, Feb. 19, 1861.

Lieut. (brev. capt.) R. T. Snow, adjt. 6th inf., Hyderabad contingent, April 28, 1862.

The undermen. officers, having completed 26 yrs. service, 8 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be lieut. cols. from the date specified against their names, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Maj. W. Crewe, Dec. 12.

Maj. T. Peyton, Dec. 12.

Maj and brev. col. A. T. Wilde, c.b., Dec. 12.

Maj. C. M. Shakespear, Dec. 12.

The undermen. officers, having completed 20 yrs. service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be majs. from the date specified against their names, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Capt. J. Michael, Dec. 10.

Capt. C. S. Fagan, Dec. 10.

Court Martial.

LIEUT. A. RICKETTS, MADRAS LIGHT CAVALRY.

Head-qrs., Camp, Umballah, Nov. 5.—At a general court martial assembled at Saugor, on Wednesday, the twenty-first (21st) day of Sept., Lieut. A. Ricketts, of the gen. list, Madras L.C., doing duty with the 4th Madras L.C., was arraigned on the following charge:—

Charge.—With having, at Saugor, on Aug. 11,

1864, when regimental subaltern officer of the day, been drunk on duty under arms.

Finding.—The Court finds that the prisoner, Lieut. Alexander Ricketts, of the general list of the cavalry, on the establishment of Fort Saint George, Madras, attached to the 4th regt. Madras L.C., is Guilty of the charge preferred against him.

Sentence.—The Court sentences the prisoner, Lieut. Alexander Ricketts, of the general list of the cavalry, on the establishment of Fort Saint George, Madras, attached to the 4th regt. Madras L.C., to be cashiered.

(Signed) H. A. CAMPBELL, Col. R.A., President.

Saugor, Sept. 24, 1864.

APPROVED AND CONFIRMED.

(Signed) HUGH ROSE, Gen., C. in C. in India.

Simla, Oct. 14, 1864.

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Bombay Castle, Nov. 25.—No. 578.—The following officers are allowed furl. to Europe, on m.c.:—

Maj. F. Schneider, staff corps, political superint. Sawunt Warree and comdt. Sawunt Warree local corps, for 20 mo.

Surg. G. R. Ballingall, for 18 mo.

Lieut. A. C. Hunter, H.M.'s 17th regt. N.I., for 18 mo.

No. 579.—Capt. H. J. E. Teed, Madras staff corps, and 2nd in com. 1st regt. inf. Hyderabad Contingent, for 20 mo.

Lieut. H. O. Davies, H.M.'s 29th regt. Madras N.I., for 18 mo.

Asst. surg. H. J. Beach, Madras medical estab., for 18 mo.

Nov. 28.—No. 580.—The following appointment is made:—

Maj. J. Thacker, staff corps, to be act. examiner marine dept., v. Mr. R. G. Betham.

Nov. 29.—No. 584.—Second class comy. Capt. Clarke, R.A., is app. 1st class comy., v. Kinloch, who vacates the office on prom.

Acting second class comy. Capt. Swanson, R.A., is confirmed in that grade, v. Clarke.

No. 585.—Lieut. F. S. Iredell, H.M.'s 16th regt. N.I., has furl. to Europe, for two years, under new furl. regs.

No. 586.—The following temporary arrangement is confirmed:—

Capt. S. Cousins, 13th regt. N.I., performed the duties of cantonment mag. at Ahmedabad from Oct. 24 to Nov. 1, 1864, during the absence of Capt. Williams at Deesa on court martial duty.

No. 587.—The following officers having applied for admission to the staff corps under the provisions of para. 2 of G.O.G.I. No. 531, dated June 27, 1864, are apptd. to the Bombay staff corps from the date specified opposite their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Capt. J. F. Robertson, 28th N.I., wing officer 28th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Capt. J. T. Hill, 14th N.I., wing officer 14th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Capt. A. A. DesVaux, 5th N.L.I., wing officer 5th N.L.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Capt. M. Boyd, 11th N.I., wing officer 11th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Capt. H. Vaughan, 17th N.I., wing officer 17th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Capt. D. H. Hickman, 5th N.L.I., staff officer, Surat, May 6, 1864.

Lieut. E. Cunningham, 7th N.I., adjt. 7th N.I., Dec. 25, 1863.

Lieut. J. Brown, 7th N.I., doing duty officer 7th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Lieut. J. S. Iredell, 20th N.I., adjt. 15th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Lieut. T. E. Strong, 3rd N.I., doing duty officer 3rd N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Lieut. W. R. Trevelyan, 15th N.I., doing duty officer 15th N.I., May 10, 1864.

Lieut. C. D. P. Payne, 18th N.I., doing duty officer 20th N.I., June 22, 1864.

Lieut. S. B. Miles, 7th N.I., qmr. 7th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Lieut. J. H. L. Greenfield, gen. list, doing duty officer 11th N.I., March 24, 1864.

Lieut. C. A. Cunningham, 28th N.I., doing duty officer 28th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Lieut. F. W. Bean, gen. list, doing duty officer 6th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Lieut. H. French, gen. list, doing duty officer 4th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Lieut. W. Scott, gen. list, doing duty officer 12th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Lieut. J. M. Heath, gen. list, doing duty officer 26th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Lieut. H. T. Bulkley, gen. list, doing duty officer 2nd N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Lieut. R. W. W. Greenlaw, gen. list, doing duty officer 17th N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

Lieut. F. T. Ebdon, gen. list, doing duty officer 14th N.I., April 14, 1864.

Nov. 30.—No. 589.—The following officer having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provisions of paragraphs 2 and 7 of G.O.G.I. No. 531, dated June 27, 1864, is appointed to the Bombay staff corps from the date specified opposite his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secretary of State for India:—

Lieut. G. E. Harris, cadre 1st Eur. fus., sub asst. comy. gen.; date of admission, Feb. 26, 1862.

No. 595.—The services of Lieut. G. A. Atkinson, of the staff corps, have been placed at the disposal of the Resident at Baroda for special duty in the political department.

No. 596.—Maj. gen. W. B. Goodfellow, royal engineers, is permitted to return to Europe by the mail steamer of April 14, 1865, agreeably to the regulations.

Nov. 28.—No. 29.—The following appointment is made:—

Maj. J. Thacker, staff corps, to be acting examiner, marine department, v. Mr. R. G. Betham.

Nov. 26.—The services of Lieut. G. A. Atkinson, Bombay staff corps, are placed at the disposal of the Resident at Baroda for special duty in the political department.

Nov. 29.—Mr. A. Bosanquet is app. to act as judge of Ahmednuggur during the absence of Mr. A. Richardson on leave.

Mr. J. Hope, asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kulladghee, is invested with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class in the Kulladghee dist.

Nov. 30.—Mr. R. West resumed charge of his duties as registrar to the appellate side of her Majesty's High Court of Judicature on 29th inst.

Mr. J. A. G. Duff, sub coll. of Sholapoor, is app. an asst. to the mag. of Poona, and invested with the powers of a mag., under the code of criminal procedure, in the Poona dist., and with power to hear appeals from decisions in criminal cases tried in the dists. under his revenue charge by officers exercising powers less than those of a mag.

Mr. A. A. Borradaile, 1st asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kulladghee, is invested with the powers of a mag., under the code of criminal procedure, in the Kulladghee dist.

Mr. G. Norman, 1st asst. to the coll. and mag. of Belgaum, is invested with the powers of a mag., under the code of criminal procedure, in the Belgaum dist.

Mr. W. R. Pratt, 1st asst. to the coll. and mag. of Ahmedabad, is invested with the powers of a mag., under the code of criminal procedure, in the Ahmedabad dist.

Nov. 29.—H.E. the Gov. in Council has been pleased to cancel the priv. leave for 1 mo. granted to Mr. J. R. Naylor, acting second asst. coll. of Surat, by the rev. comr., northern div., under date Sept. 16, 1864, and to allow, in lieu thereof, leave on m.c. up to Dec. 13, 1864.

Nov. 30.—Mr. C. R. Ovans acted as coll. and mag. of Poona from Sept. 22 to Oct. 23, 1864.

Mr. T. F. Gray has been app. a member of the commission to carry out the provisions of Act XXXII. of 1860, in the town and island of Bombay, v. the Hon. M. H. Scott.

Nov. 29.—Lieut. B. Seton, R.E., asst. engr., Khandeish, has passed an examination in the Marathi language, according to the test prescribed in page 14, articles 9 and 11 of the Public Works Code.

BIRTHS.

ALLARDYCE.—Nov. 6, at Oomrawuttee, the wife of Capt., Deputy Commissioner, East Berar, of a daughter.

ANDERSON.—At Barrackpore, on the 30th Nov., the wife of F. Esq., M.D., Deputy Inspector-general of Hospitals, of a daughter.

BRUCE.—At Vizianagram, on the 26th Nov., the wife of Lieut. E. A., Madras Staff Corps, Quartermaster and Interpreter, 37th Regiment Grenadiers, of a daughter.

CARTER.—At Allahabad, on the 19th Nov., the wife of Noblett St. Leger, Esq., of a son.

COCKBURN.—At Fyzabad, on the 12th instant, the wife of Capt. G. W., Royal Highland Black Watch, of a daughter.

CODRINGTON.—At Abbottabad, Muzara, on the 25th Nov., the wife of Lieut. E. C., 5th Goorkha Regiment, of a son.

EAVES.—At Delhi, on the 2nd instant, the wife of Mr. H., Police Department, of a son.

EVANS.—On the 3rd Dec., the wife of F. S., Esq., of a daughter, still-born.

HOPKINS.—At Allahabad, on the 13th instant, the wife of Lieut. J., of a daughter.

JAMES.—At Dinapore, on the 25th Nov., the wife of H. S., Esq., Royal Artillery, of a daughter.

JUDGE.—At Agra, on the 4th Dec., the wife of Sergeant J., Army Commissariat Department, of a son.

KAUNTZE.—At Muttra, on the 19th Nov., the wife of Lieut., 7th Dragoon Guards, of a daughter.

LEGGATT.—At Woltair, on the 19th Nov., the wife of Brooke C., Esq., of a daughter.

LOGIN.—At Sealkote, on the 21st Nov., the wife of T., Esq., of a daughter.

MACARTHY.—At Broach, on Nov. 18, the wife of E., Esq., of a son.

MACONCHIE.—At Oonao, Oudh, on Nov. 25, the wife of G. B., Esq., settlement officer, of a son.

MILLAR.—At Jullunder, on Nov. 12, the wife of Capt. J. C., of a daughter.

MONNIER.—At Calcutta, on Nov. 22, the wife of Mr. Jules Augustus, of a daughter.

MOSS.—At Luz, on Dec. 8, Mrs. James, of a son.

MURPHY.—At Goruckpore, on Nov. 30, the wife of Mr. J. P., inspector of police, of a son.

NAHER.—At Asseerghur, on Nov. 22, the wife of Mr. S. I., extra assistant commissioner, of a son.

O'BYRNE.—At the Fort, Buxar, on Nov. 10, the wife of O., Esq., assistant surgeon, stud department, of a daughter.

O'SHAUGHNESSY.—At Perambore, Madras, on Dec. 11, the wife of J., Esq., D.P.W., of a son.

PHILLIPS.—At Howrah, on Dec. 4, the wife of R. P., Esq., of a daughter.

PIERSON.—At Sealkote, on the 21st inst., the wife of Capt. W. S., Bengal Staff Corps, barrack master, of a daughter.

PRITCHARD.—At Madras, on Nov. 26, the wife of Veterinary surgeon T., Governor's Body Guard, of a daughter.

ROBERTS.—At Agra, on the 26th inst., the wife of Maj. G. R., of a daughter.

SHANAN.—At Roorkee, on the 2nd inst., the wife of Mr. C. P., Public Works Department, of a daughter.

SIM, the wife of J. D., of a daughter, at Madras, Nov. 10.

THOMSON.—At Meerut, on the 2nd inst., the wife of the Rev. J. M., assistant chaplain, Church of Scotland, of a son.

URMSTON.—In Camp, Bunnoo District, Derajat, on the 26th Nov., the wife of Capt. H., Deputy Commissioner, of a daughter.

VERTANES.—At Calcutta, on the 29th Nov., the wife of Mr. Z. V., of a daughter.

WATSON.—Nov. 15, at Akola, the wife of A. W., Esq., of a son.

WATSON.—At Goruckpore, on Saturday, the 12th Nov., the wife of Capt. T. J., 17th B.C., of a daughter.

WELLS.—At Rangoon, the wife of Capt. G. F., of a daughter.

WYLLIE.—Nov. 17, at Breach Candy, the wife of R. N., Esq., of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BLAKE—BOWIE.—At Benares, Nov. 17, the Rev. Wm. Moody Blake, L.M.S., to Jessie Dickie, second daughter of the late John Bowie, Esq., Merchant of Edinburgh.

HARDINGE—EDWARDS.—At St. Paul's, Agra, Nov. 16, Bradford Hardinge, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, to Caroline, second daughter of Wm. Edwards, Esq., of the same service.

MACPHERSON—DRUMMOND.—At Mercara, Coorg, Nov. 1, Mittie, eldest daughter of Inspector gen. Dr. Macpherson, Honorary Physician to the Queen, to William Venn Drummond, Esq., son of the Rev. J. Drummond, of Sully, Rector of Leicester-shire.

NICHOLS—PILCHER.—At Bishop's College Chapel, on the 24th Nov., the Rev. H. B. Nichols, M.A., S.P.G. Missionary, at Moulmein, to Sarah, eldest daughter of James Pilcher, Esq., St. Margaret's-at-Cliffe, near Dover, England.

RIDDEL—ATTWOOD.—At Chinjwarra (Central Provinces), on Nov. 1, Henry Vansittart Riddell, Esq., H.M.'s late 2nd Eur. Bengal Fusiliers, to Alice Anne, 2nd daughter of the late Richard Attwood, Esq.

ROMAINE—HAMILTON.—At Calcutta, William Saint Romaine, Esq., of the U.S. Medical-hall, to Hester Sophia, eldest daughter of the late J. K. Hamilton, Esq., Chemist and Druggist, Wellesley-street.

STUART—HERRING.—At Calcutta, Nov. 10, Rev. J. Stuart, Church Mission Society, Jubbulpore, to Ellen, youngest daughter of the late George Herring, Esq., of Islington, London.

TOMKINS—THURBURN.—At St. Paul's Cathedral, on Dec. 6, W. Percival Tomkins, R.E., to Annie, eldest daughter of Robert Thurburn, of London.

TREMENEHRE—EWART.—At Cannanore, on Nov. 26, George Henry Wynn Tremenehre, H.M.'s 102nd Royal Madras Fusiliers, to Minna Aletta Eliza, eldest daughter of Major A. J. P. Ewart, Dep. Asst. Commissary General.

VANZULECOM—MULLER.—At Darjeeling, on Nov. 30, Charles Champneys, eldest son of Capt. C. L. Vanzulecom, R.N., to Letitia Tempe, daughter of J. Muller, Esq.

DEATHS.

BECHER.—At Calcutta, on Nov. 30, Mrs. M. Becher, relict of the late J. E. Becher, Esq., Indigo Planter, Tirhoot.

ERSKINE.—At Allahabad, on Nov. 20, James E. Erskine, Esq., Bombay Civil Service, aged 37.

HARE.—At Calcutta, Capt. Charles Hare, late Master of the British ship *Thalatta*, and son of the late Lieut. Charles Hare, R.N., of St. John's New Brunswick.

LAKE.—At Lahore, of croup, on Nov. 15, Edward Herbert, aged 14 months, the only child of Lieut. col. Edward Lake, R.E., Acting Financial Commissioner for the Punjab.

REES.—At Hooshungabad, Central India, Nov. 12, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. B. Rees, aged 8 months.

SCOTT.—At Patree Khandeish, Dec. 1, Evan James Stanley, son of Capt. S. Scott, aged 2 years.

SIMPSON.—In India, the wife of the Rev. D. Simpson, from an overdose of morphine.

STEWART.—At Cachar, on the 28th Nov., the infant son of Capt. R. Stewart, Deputy Commissioner of Cachar.

WILKINS.—At Allahabad, of fever, Nov. 13, G. L. Wilkins, Esq., eldest son of G. D. Wilkins, Esq., late Collector of Government Customs at Calcutta, aged 26 years.

India Office,

January 11, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. H. C. Collier, Staff Corps; Lieut. F. C. Bewsher, Staff Corps.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. J. B. Reid, 16th N.I.; Capt. T. Drever, Invalid Estab.; Capt. J. Vertue, Engrs.

Bombay Estab.—Capt. C. B. Penny, Engrs.; Surg. G. R. Ballingall, Med. Estab.; Surg. J. Hyslop, Med. Estab.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. col. D. S. Dodgson, 30th N.I., 6 mo.; Asst. surg. J. Duncan, Med. Estab., 6 mo.

Madras Estab.—Maj. A. Gordon, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Capt. W. C. Harris, 35th N.I., 6 mo.; Asst. surg. H. R. Handyside, Med. Estab., 3 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. W. R. Adams, 23rd N.I., 6 mo.; Col. A. R. Manson, 4th N.I., 6 mo.; Capt. J. A. Gayer, 2nd Eur. Regt., 6 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. R. B. Mackenzie, 12th N.I.

Madras Estab.—Capt. T. O'Neil, 6th N.I.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. col. E. A. Ford, Engrs.

THE CALCUTTA JEWS.—"Frij and all Seedees believe that the Jews, or Yahooodee, living in Calcutta, seize people and tie them up by the heels till blood falls from them into a dish, when they are released, but rarely survive. The blood so obtained is prepared and sold as a most valuable chest complaint medicine, called Mosmeecan. Frij had, while in Calcutta, once been seized, but escaped while the Jews went up a ladder. Also one of his comrades he had seen tied up by the heels, gave evidence to the police, and had the Yahooodee put in prison for eighteen months."—*Captain Grant's "Walk Across Africa,"* p. 264.

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MR. BARING ON INDIA.

FOLLOWING the example of his colleagues, Mr. T. G. Baring, Under-Secretary of State for the Home Department, has recently addressed his constituents, assembled in the Town-hall at Falmouth. Instead, however, of dilating on foreign politics or discussing the vexed question of electoral reform, Mr. Baring confined himself to one topic, and that, strange to say, was India. There is nothing, indeed, either strange or unbecoming in the interest thus evinced by the honourable member for Falmouth in the administration of our Eastern Empire, or in the relations that exist between our Hindoo fellow-subjects and ourselves, for he has himself taken an active part in the home government of that great dependency, and is, therefore, better acquainted than most men with what belongs to its peace and prosperity. But it is not so easy to understand how he could have expected his Cornish admirers to feel any especial sympathy with the subject he had selected for their edification and instruction, and possibly it might not be unfair to infer that Mr. Baring was thinking less of his immediate audience than of the British public at large, among whom his remarks would be circulated through the medium of the press. Be this as it may, it cannot be affirmed that the honourable gentleman was moved by a happy inspiration when he chose India for the theme of his annual discourse in parliamentary *deshabille*. He began by alluding to the ordinary effect produced by an Indian debate upon the House of Commons. It was, he said, as if a dinner-bell had rung, so eagerly did the members vacate their seats to rush into the dining-room. It must not, however, be supposed that this sudden thinning of the House was owing to any indifference or apathy on the part of the British Parliament with reference to the happiness and well-doing of the people of India. But there was somehow a general impression that the Minister's statement could be as well mastered by being read next day in the morning papers, as if it were listened to

with impatience and inattention. This theory, however, would equally apply to all questions that require to be set forth at any considerable length, whereas Mr. Baring confines it exclusively to the annual statement of Indian finance. That a large attendance was obtained in 1858 when the Government of India was transferred to the Crown can hardly be cited as a proof that the Commons take a warm interest in practical questions relating to that country. In the first place, an exceptional interest had been excited by the startling events and episodes of the Sepoy War, and, secondly, the question of the proposed transfer had become the battle-field of the two great political parties. But, as it seems to us, there is no reason to regret the disinclination usually manifested by the House to enter upon a purely Indian debate. The less Parliament interferes with the internal administration of that dependency the better will it be for India and for our own supremacy, for nothing will more surely lead to the loosening of our hold than the attempt to govern India through Parliamentary majorities.

We cordially agree, however, with Mr. Baring in the assertion that the British people may look back with decided satisfaction on the recent administration of our Eastern possessions, and this on far higher grounds than the equalisation of income with expenditure. It was not, indeed, unnatural that this particular speaker should attach the first importance to the improved state of the finances, for it is upon that, after all, that all other kinds of improvements must chiefly depend; but it was hardly fair to institute a direct numerical comparison between the balance-sheet of India and that of Great Britain. Mr. Baring dwells with some complacency upon the fact that only a few years ago the income and expenditure of this country—irrespective of the interest on the National Debt—did not "very largely exceed the figures he had furnished relating to India." He omits, however, to remind his hearers that in the one case there was a population of only 30, and in the other of 130 millions; and he also passes over the necessity of maintaining an enormous and costly army on a permanent war footing, because we are still only encamped, and not settled, in our Indian dominions. It is doubtless quite true that very large sums of money are now being expended on public improvements, but among these the construction of railroads can take no place, as the funds for that purpose were almost entirely raised in the London market. The result of all this outlay, as Mr. Baring justly remarked, has been a vast increase of commerce and a proportionate development of agriculture. With not less reason did he differ from Mr. Cobden's hasty expression, that England

has no interest in India except for the commerce that is carried on. Having reduced that empire to subjection, it is now our bounden duty to govern it wisely, impartially, and with benevolent forethought, until such time as we can treat the natives as we do our own colonists in Australia and Canada, leaving to them the option of remaining under the British Crown, or of proclaiming their independence. For the present we cannot move with too great caution. Already we have done too much to unsettle the native mind by excessive legislation, and have rendered them suspicious and fretful, rather than grateful and contented. Of the elevation of the natives to the bench, and their introduction to the Viceroy's Council, Mr. Baring speaks in terms of just and sagacious approval, but he is not equally happy when he endeavours to explain away the ill-feeling that pervades the vast majority of the officers of the late Indian army. Their position, he says, was not the fault of the Government, but arose from the necessity, after the extinction of that army, of raising "fresh English troops that could not be officered by officers accustomed only to native troops." It would be hard to discover a statement equally bald and brief, and equally replete with fallacies. As it was only the Bengal army that mutinied, it might be supposed that the officers of the Bombay and Madras armies could have no reason to complain of the treatment they at least had experienced. But we find that the officers of the armies of those two Presidencies are quite as bitter as their Bengal brethren in denouncing the evasion of the Parliamentary guarantee. And, further, it is not the case that "fresh English troops" have been raised. The regiments that have been added to the Army List consisted undoubtedly of British soldiers, but they were the war-worn veterans of the Company's European Fusiliers, who had won undying renown on many a battle field, though "officered by officers (previously) accustomed only to native troops." No one knew better than Mr. Baring himself that he was merely "darkening counsel by words" suited to the ignorance or carelessness of his hearers, but which would certainly be challenged before the higher and more august tribunal of public opinion. No one could have been more thoroughly satisfied in his own mind that the present unsatisfactory position of the old Company's officers is solely and entirely the fault of the Government, and has nothing whatever to do with the raising of troops that were never raised, or with the want of officers accustomed to English troops. But passing over this delicate and painful topic, we gladly bear witness to Mr. Baring's moderate views on the subject of annexation. The restoration of the sacred right of adoption, and the permanent settlement of the land-tax, are likewise justly

regarded as eminently calculated to remove the distrust, and to conciliate the goodwill of all classes of the native community. Neither do we object to the support he gives to the Secretary of State in his philanthropic endeavours to protect the native against the unscrupulous selfishness of a small party of European colonists. To "develop the resources of the country," may be a most right and beneficial thing to do, but to effect that development through the oppression of the natives, is a consummation by no means to be desired, nor is it one at all likely to find favour either with British statesmen or with the British public. Mr. Baring's address, it will be seen, ranged through a wide scope, and touched upon a large variety of subjects, but still the question recurs as to what could have led to its being delivered to the unsympathising burghers of Falmouth. The puzzle in this case is not the presence of the fly, but that of the amber. We can perfectly understand that Mr. Baring might prefer to talk about India rather than about the shortcomings of the Home Department, but why should he do so at the Land's End?

PROPOSED INCREASE OF SALARIES.

THE paramount control of the Supreme Government is, after all, by no means an unmitigated evil. It is clear from the correspondence that has lately taken place between the Government of India and that of Bombay on the subject of a proposed increase of salaries, that it would never answer to allow each Presidency to do as seems good in its own eyes, without reference to the effect of its proceedings upon the other constituent provinces of the Empire. Owing to various causes, the prices of the first necessities of life have been doubled within the last few years, doubtless to the great benefit of the productive classes, but also to the very serious inconvenience of persons with fixed and limited incomes. It has, therefore, been urged by the Bombay Government that an augmentation of salary had become not only expedient and just, but a measure of absolute necessity, seeing that grain of all kinds is three times as dear as it was in 1829, while meat, poultry, firewood, &c., &c., have risen in value at least cent. per cent. This statement, though assumed to be correct, is rejected as sufficient evidence to prove the inadequacy of the present rates of pay to public servants, on the ground that the standard of 1829 is too remote to be adopted under existing circumstances. And yet it was in proportion to the prices ruling at a still more remote and cheaper period, that certain salaries were offered for certain kinds of work. At the same time it must be

tion now than in those times, and that well qualified public servants can be obtained for less pay than formerly sufficed to allure indifferent ones. But a better argument against the adoption of the standard of 1829, so far as the upper classes are concerned, is the reduced cost of groceries and home manufactures, and the less extravagant style of living that prevails among the new school, whether of civilians or military men. Besides, it is not only in Bombay that prices have gone up since the mutiny, and still more so since the breaking out of the civil war in America. In the adjacent districts of the Madras Presidency, for instance, the necessities of life are quite as dear as in Bombay. In Calcutta, again, house rent is exorbitant, and in the Burmese Provinces the wages of servants and labourers are higher than in the Western Presidency, while civil salaries are lower. And it must be borne in mind that the present dearness of grain arises partly from the extraordinary breadth of land that has lately been planted with cotton; but there can be no doubt that the comparative scarcity of grain will lead, through the unfailing laws of supply and demand, to a much larger crop being raised in the ensuing season, and it may likewise be expected that large quantities of corn will be imported both by land and by water, now that the means of carriage are so greatly improved and augmented. Nor was it only in the case of small salaries that the Bombay Government applied for an increase, but on behalf of all grades of the public service. It modestly proposed that a scale should be adopted "commencing by an addition of 30 per cent. to salaries below Rs. 500 a month, and ending by an addition of 15 per cent. to salaries of Rs. 2,000 and upwards, whatever they are," including military and marine officers, but exclusive of privates and non-commissioned officers, European and native, whose case was to be separately considered in the Military Department. Such a handsome accession of income would naturally be very agreeable to the recipients, but how would it be viewed by the tax-payers? This trifling consideration appears to have been overlooked by the Bombay Government, though the measure of relief it contemplated implied the expenditure of upwards of half a million sterling per annum, without taking into account the increased pay of the European and native soldiery. But the Bombay Government could scarcely expect that its servants should be treated with an exceptional liberality, calculated to inspire the other Presidencies with jealousy and discontent. It is manifest that the same munificence would have to be extended to all departments of the State throughout the empire. "What the total

cost would be," remarks Mr. Lushington, the mouthpiece of the Supreme Government, "and what new taxes it would be necessary to impose, it is impossible to say. Such heavy additional charges obviously could not be defrayed without additional taxation, and new taxation would probably in the end necessitate an increase of the military force, which would add still further to the expense." And this at a time when it is in contemplation to lessen the annual expenditure by reducing the strength of the European army! Small wonder, then, that the Governor-general in Council rejects the crude and short-sighted proposition of the Western Government, and advises "the official class to bear their own burdens, and accommodate themselves to the altered circumstances of society." At the same time his Excellency readily sanctions the conditional increase of all salaries up to Rs. 200 per mensem, and the condition is worthy of special notice. It is this. The salaries may be augmented as the *personnel* of the establishment is reduced. In other words, the Government has at last discovered that well-paid labour is in the end cheaper than that which is underpaid, and that a smaller number of highly qualified servants will do more work, and do it better, than a host of half-taught underlings who can barely earn a livelihood, and are certain to neglect their duties. Some years ago, when it became necessary to increase the different establishments, it was thought a wise economy to "entertain"—such is the Indian official phrase—a large number of native clerks at the lowest possible rates of pay, in preference to offering handsome salaries to secure men of talent, industry, and general intelligence. Among the first to recognise the mistake that had been made was Sir Charles Trevelyan, of whom it has been humorously remarked that he is afflicted with an official *oleptomania*, and is never so happy as when filching a Baboo or stealing away a Keranee from a public office. The Bombay Government, then, are authorised to increase *pari passu* the efficiency of the various establishments and the salaries of the subordinate employes, but they are not authorised to rob Peter to pay Paul, or to spend half-a-million sterling per annum because poultry is dearer than it was thirty-five years ago. The Bombay Presidency, they are reminded, is only one province of India, and one "more than ordinarily accessible, both by its long sea-board and by the railways which tap the interior in several directions." Consequently, it is very unlikely that the price of a commodity so easily transportable as grain will be maintained at an exceptional figure for any great length of time. The present "artificial dearth" is largely attributed to the extensive employment of labourers upon railways and other public

works, which diverts labour from agriculture, stimulates consumption, and raises wages. But, whatever the cause, the Government of India declines to appropriate to the convenience of the Bombay officials the savings which have elsewhere been effected since 1857-58. These savings, besides, have already been applied to better purposes, such as grants for the prosecution of public works, the improvement of administration in various quarters, and the comfort of the European and native soldiery. In the absence of means to gratify the wishes of the Bombay Government, the Governor-general in Council expresses himself averse to new taxation, and is, therefore, constrained to refuse his sanction to "the increase of salaries of the civil and military establishments recommended by his Excellency the Governor in Council of Bombay."

MISCELLANEOUS.

CHALLENGE TO FIGHT A DUEL.—Major Brownrigg Lumley having pleaded guilty to the charge of unlawfully sending to one Lawrence Desborough, the younger, a challenge to fight a duel, and having, through his counsel, expressed his regret for his illegal conduct, has been required to enter into his own recognisances in the sum of £500, and to find one surety in the sum of £250, to keep the peace towards all her Majesty's subjects, and towards Mr. Desborough in particular, for twelve months. The requisite security was immediately given.

THE NEWPORT-MARKET REFUGE.—It was stated in the *Times* of the 3rd inst. that Mr. Albert D. Sassoon and Mr. S. D. Sassoon, sons of the late Mr. David Sassoon, the eminent Bombay merchant and philanthropist, had expressed their willingness to hand over a sum of £1,000 to Mrs. Gladstone, the founder of the Newport-market Refuge, to aid her in her benevolent exertions on behalf of the London poor. The Messrs. Sassoon wrote a letter to Mr. B. Lumley, 22, Sackville-street, in which they state they have been greatly impressed with the account of the destitute London poor given in the *Times* of the 21st ult., and request him to wait on Mrs. Gladstone and explain that they make the donation in the name of their father; that they wish it to form a fund bearing his name, and that they leave to her all further arrangements, her name being an ample assurance that the proper dispositions will be made. We now learn that Mrs. Gladstone has accepted the gift on behalf of the charities in which she takes an interest, and expressed her high gratification to the Messrs. Sassoon for the confidence they have placed in her. Mrs. Gladstone has drawn up a plan for the management of the fund, which she has transmitted to Mr. Lumley. In it she proposes that the sum in question, under the name of the "David Sassoon Fund," should be vested in trustees to be applied in the erection of a building in connection with the Newport-market Refuge or with the House of Charity in Soho-square, and that the building should have the name of David Sassoon permanently attached to it. She states that she takes a deep interest in both of the charities mentioned, and she believes them to be calculated to help one another and to do great permanent good. She therefore proposes that until the capital sum is employed in building the proceeds shall be applied towards the current expenses of one or both of these institutions. She has also announced to Mr. Lum-

ley that if the Messrs. Sassoon wish it Mr. Gladstone will become one of the trustees. The plan proposed has met the approval in all respects of the executors of the late Mr. Sassoon, so that the two charities above-named will at once derive advantage from this munificent gift.—*Times*.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 6. Robert M. Sloan, Bassein; Defiance, Calcutta; General Neill, Madras; Virginia, Mauritius; Ipanimondas, Moulmein; 7. Spitfire, Penang; Tasmania, Bombay; Queen of India, Singapore; Indiana, Kurrachee; York, Madras; Nell Gwynne, Calcutta; 8. John Scott, Calcutta; Arran, Bombay; Great Britain, Kurrachee; Indian Empire, Calcutta; Anna Dorothea, Bombay; City of Foo-choo, Bombay; Robert Pulsford, Calcutta; Java, Akyab; Nemesis, Colombo; 9. Tigra, Singapore; Belize, Mauritius; Bentuthur, Colombo; Shallett, Colombo; 10. Tilly, Kurrachee; Wellington, Rangoon; 11. Gondola, Manila; Labrador, Manila.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 7. Mackay, Kurrachee; Rushing Water, Mauritius; 9. Koomar, Calcutta; Princess Royal, Calcutta; Stronghow, Bombay; 9. Eurydice, Bombay (put back to Liverpool Jan. 5.); 11. Sea Queen, Zambila, Bombay; Freeland, Kurrachee.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Overland Route, Jan. 12.—For Bombay.—Mr. J. P. Barker, Miss M. A. Robinson, Miss E. Robinson, Capt. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mr. H. Corke, Maj. and Mrs. Penton and two infants, Mrs. Cleveland and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. H. C. M'Diarmid, Miss Souter, Mr. and Mrs. Gale, Mrs. J. Lloyd, From Marseilles.—Rev. A. and Mrs. Robinson, Lieut. Pigott, Mr. Mackie, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Whyte, Mr. J. O'Leary, Mr. Biddulph, Mr. T. C. Vaughan, Mr. Kuttonee Bonajee, Capt. and Mrs. Hancock, Mr. Jacob, Mr. G. and Mrs. Whitley, Miss West, Mrs. Coke and infant, Mr. F. Randall, Mr. A. Harvey, Mr. A. Langdale, Capt. Hanson, For Aden.—Rev. W. H. and Mrs. Cummins, For Alexandria.—Mr. L. Wilson, Miss Hammond, Mrs. Walker, For Malta.—Mrs. Pidgeon, Mr. C. W. Eccles, R.N., Miss Riland, Mrs. Eccles, Mr. Russell, Lieut. J. C. Shirley, For Gibraltar.—Mrs. Lord Hamilton, Lord Molyneux.

PASSAGES ENGAGED.

(Per Peninsular and Oriental Company's Steamers.) Jan. 20.—For Calcutta.—Mrs. Cotton and child, Mr. and Mrs. D'Oyley and infant, Mrs. E. H. Wood, Maj. J. B. Cookson, Mr. E. Jones, Mrs. Pollock, Miss Thompson, Miss Taylor, Mr. R. Porter, Mr. Gubbins, Lieut. col. and Mrs. Fook, Maj. and Mrs. Badcliffe and infant, Mr. W. Barlow, Rev. A. Robinson, Mrs. Cremer, Mr. Girardot, Miss Rind, Lieut. Holditch, Miss Denham, Mr. A. B. Harvey, Miss K. Anderson, Col. and Mrs. Beat, Mr. W. P. Wright, Mr. Trevor Lloyd, Mr. G. A. Lloyd, Mr. Milner, Mrs. Reade and infant, Mrs. Singer, From Marseilles.—Mr. Dow, Mr. J. Mangies, Mr. F. Wigram, Lieut. P. C. Dalmaioy, Lieut. G. R. Hennessey, Rev. J. and Mrs. Barton, Lieut. R. McKenzie, Mr. Greenshield, Rev. A. O. Hardy, Lieut. col. Gompertz, Mr. W. M. Pherson, Capt. Annesley, Dr. Doka, Dr. E. Taylor, Lieut. T. B. Savi, Mr. J. Savers, Mr. Firebrace, R.E., Mr. J. A. Beale, Mr. Gould, From Suva.—Mr. W. B. Jones, Dr. A. H. Cheke and three ladies, For Madras.—Mr. Estell and two children, Mr. S. S. Dewal, Mrs. A. P. Clark, Lieut. W. D. Robertson, Capt. and Mrs. Morris, Mr. Kelday and wife, Mrs. Venejee and child, Capt. and Mrs. Ward, For Singapore.—Mrs. Scott, Mr. E. Hill, Lieut. Hatchett, For Hong Kong.—Mr. and Mrs. Ensen, Mrs. A. Boardman, Miss Winkworth, Mr. S. S. Southey, Mr. J. W. Eschenek, Mr. J. P. Potts, Mr. Turner, Lieut. Jolliffe, Lieut. D. M. Smith, Lieut. C. A. Tucker, Lieut. F. U. C. Hall, For Ceylon.—Mrs. Trauchell and two children, Mr. R. A. King, Mrs. Clark, Mr. E. Strong, For Alexandria from Marseilles.—Mr. and Mrs. Smith, For Shanghai.—Mr. J. A. Fraser, Mr. C. Simpson, Mr. Whitaker, Mr. T. F. Hughes, Mr. F. H. Bell, For Mauritius.—Mr. R. S. Stout.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

CRAUFORD—The wife of J. H. Crauford, Esq., late of the Bengal Civil Service, of a son, at Chauntry-house, Bray, Berks, Jan. 5.

OLDFIELD—The wife of Dr. Oldfield, Bengal Medical Service, of a daughter, at St. Katherine's, Regent's-park, Jan. 3.

MARRIAGES.

GRENE—STANNIER—Capt. Charles H. E. Grene, 104th regt., to Susan Mary, daughter of the late Francis Stannier, Esq., at Madeley, Staffordshire, Jan. 5.

MARSDEN—WILLOUGHBY—Henry J. Marsden, Esq., late of Bombay, to Constance, third daughter of Maj. gen. Willoughby, C.B., Kensington-gardens-square, at St. Stephen's Church, Westbourne-park, Jan. 10.

WEST—WILLOUGHBY—Rev. William Henry West, M.A., Rector of Cheddington, eldest son of W. H. West, Esq., of Gliffades, in the county of Brecon, to Julia, fourth daughter of Maj. gen. Willoughby, C.B., by the Rev. John West, Rector of Arsholt, Jan. 10.

DEATHS.

BUCKLER—Eliza, relict of Lieut. S. H. Buckler, H.M.'s I.N., and daughter of the late Capt. D. Parslow, Bombay Army, at South Hackney, aged 54, Jan. 3.

CAMPBELL—Capt. George Gunning John Campbell, Royal Horse Artillery, second son of the late Major Charles Hay Campbell, Bengal Artillery, at Great Malvern, Jan. 6.

HOUGH—Lieut.-col. William Hough, late of H.M.'s Bengal Army, at 8, Tenterden-street, Hanover-square, aged 75, Jan. 3.

LLOYD—Mary, daughter of the late John D. Lloyd, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at 6, Clarence-villas, Windsor, Jan. 4.

O'RORKE—Lieut. Edward D. O'Rorke, 3rd batt. 60th Royal Rifles, lost on board the steamship *Persia*, in the Bay of Bengal, Oct. 5.

PAUL—Lieut.-gen. Matthew Coombs Paul, H.M.'s Indian Army (Bengal), at his residence, No. 43, Harewood-square, aged 74, Jan. 7.

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	India 5 p. ct. Enforced Paper	102	
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	per cent.	109 to 110	
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	India Stock Debentures, 185	116	
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40	New	30	55 to 67
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20	Ditto, New	all	16 pm.
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	and China	all	59 to 61 x.d.
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1	Do. New	all	1½ pm.
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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

By the arrival of the Bombay mail we are in receipt of intelligence from that Presidency to the 29th of December, and from Calcutta to the 21st of that month. The most important news is that which relates to the Bhootan expedition, which has already covered itself with glory and disaster. The first success achieved was the capture of the Fort of Dhalimkote by Brigadier-general Dunsford's column. The advance of the force seems to have been stoutly opposed by the Bhootiahs, who poured upon them showers of stones and arrows. The brigade-major, Captain MacGregor, received a slight gun shot wound on the scalp, and Lieutenant Loughnan, 18th N.I., was pierced through the arm by an arrow.

But, overcoming all opposition, the troops rapidly reached the foot of a steep hill some two hundred feet high, surmounted by the fort inclosed within a wall, of the height of twenty feet. The mortars being quickly brought into position excellent practice was made, shells and carcasses being thrown into the fort at close range. A fearful accident, however, for a while checked the fire of the artillery, and damped the ultimate triumph of the day. Owing to a fuse being cut too short a shell burst within the muzzle of the mortar, and exploded a quantity of powder which Captain Griffin, R.A., was weighing out for charges. In an instant that promising young officer was blown to pieces, with Lieuts. Waller and Anderson, and seven artillerymen. An Armstrong gun was then brought up, and, a building within the walls being set on fire, the General gave the signal for the assault, and the place was carried without further resistance. In addition, however, to the casualties already mentioned, upwards of fifty men were wounded, Lieut. Collins, R.E., having had both his legs broken by the explosion. Another fort, that of Dhurm Sing, remains to be captured by General Dunsford's column, but it is said to be less formidable than the one at Dhalimkote. While these events were going on with one column, another, under the command of General Mulcaster, marched, without striking a blow, into the Devangiri stronghold, whence the General proposed to move with the larger portion of his troops into the Byrree Doar, in order to co-operate with the Right Centre column, under Colonel Richardson. Brigadier-general Watson's Left Centre column at the same time penetrated into the Buxar Doar without seeing any traces of the enemy, with the exception of an abandoned stockade.

Further confirmation has been received of the fallacy of the reports of the unfriendly demeanour of the Nepaulese Government. Maharajah Jung Bahadoor, so far from conspiring against the British Government, or being placed under arrest by an adverse party at Court, has sent handsome presents to Calcutta in token of his loyalty, and has further expressed his perfect satisfaction with the medals presented to the Nepaulese troops that co-operated in the reduction of Lucknow.

It is gratifying to learn that the remonstrances of the Viceroy and Governor-general have been so far efficacious that the Khan of Bokhara has released the four Italian gentlemen who for upwards of a

year have been languishing in a vile dungeon. It is also stated, on the authority of the Peshawur correspondent of the *Delhi Gazette*, that a Russian ambassador, attended by a military escort, had passed through Bokhara, and safely reached Cabool, where he was received by the Ameer with all pomp and circumstance. The territory of Kokan, we are further informed, "has been taken by the Russians. Of three Kokanee vakeels who went to pay their respects to the Governor-general at Lahore, one is gone to Turkey to the Sooltan, one is still at Lahore, and the third is at Peshawur on his way to Cabool. The Ameer of Cabool has been requested by the British authorities, through the British representative, to send an escort to guard the Kokan vakeel." The same news writer asserts that "Sirdar Mohamed Allee Khan, with the state prisoner Sirdar Mohamed Ufzul Khan arrived in Cabool, after they followed Ameer Shere Allee Khan with all his Sirdars and Khans. Sirdar Futteh Mahomed Khan, son of the late Wazeer Ukbur Khan, has been appointed by the Ameer governor of Bulk. The Persian Ambassador who has been with the Ameer for the past few months has been dismissed with due honour. The Ameer has sent very valuable presents to the Shah of Persia by the Ambassador. It is said that the Shah of Persia has granted a jagheer of three lacs of rupees, near Heerat, to Sirdar Mohamed Yakoub Allee Khan, the governor of that place, as a token of friendship towards the Ameer."

The numerous private friends of the Lieutenant-governor of Bengal will be grieved to hear that his Honour has been compelled to proceed to sea in consequence of a severe and sudden attack of illness. Mr. Grey will officiate during Mr. Beadon's absence.

Sir Hugh Rose is reported as convalescent. There is no longer any doubt as to the appointment of Sir William Mansfield to the chief command of the army in India. Sir William's successor in the Bombay Presidency will in all probability be Sir Robert Napier, while Sir Hope Grant is likely to obtain a very high staff appointment at the Horse Guards.

Lieutenant-colonel Ramsay, Resident at Khatmandoo, has applied for leave of absence to visit the higher ranges of the Himalayas, in the hope of restoring his health. His medical advisers have forbidden him to use his eyes more than can be avoided, as they have suffered much from overwork.

The Lord Bishop of Calcutta held a confirmation at Moradabad on the 29th of November, and on the following day consecrated the new burial ground. His lordship then proceeded to Nynce Tal, whence he was to continue his tour of inspection to Almorah, Bareilly, Seetapore, and Lucknow, purposing to spend Christmas in the last-named city.

At the last meeting of the Cyclone Relief Fund in Calcutta it was unanimously agreed that Rs. 50,000 should be given towards the relief of the sufferers at Masulipatam, and that Rs. 15,000, in addition to Rs. 10,000 already given, should be made over to the Sailors' Home Relief Fund, on the understanding that their committee should do their utmost to get the seamen affected by the Cyclone sent home under the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act.

A meeting was held at the Town Hall in Calcutta on the 14th December, to take into consideration the proposed abolition of Grand Juries. Long speeches were delivered by Messrs. Cochrane, Gladstone, Beckwith, S. Scott-Moncrieff, and others, but the affair may be briefly summarised as *vox et præterea nihil*.

Sickness is rife in many parts of India. Fever and cholera are spoken of as committing great ravages in the Scrampore and Hooghly districts, while the small-pox is raging at Dum Dum, Fyzabad, Azimgurh, Muttra, and Umritsur. At the last-named place, however, the municipal authorities are bestirring themselves in good earnest to improve the system of drainage, and propose to raise a loan of £120,000 to carry out that object.

ORIENTAL FINANCIAL CORPORATION.—The report of the Oriental Financial Corporation states that the gross profits from the commencement of the business in April last have amounted to £21,762, which, after deducting expenses of management, rebate of interest on bills, and all other charges, and carrying 10 per cent. to the credit of preliminary expenses and office furniture, leaves a balance of £16,975. Out of this sum the directors have appropriated £706 to the payment of *ad interim* interest to 30th June last, at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, and £3,298 for dividend to 31st December, 1864, at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, leaving the sum of £12,971 to be carried forward to the next account. The operations in India are upon a satisfactory basis, and are capable of considerable extension, but the commercial uncertainty which has existed during the last few months has induced the directors to restrict business. The closed accounts from thence for the past year have not yet been received, and they will, therefore, appear in the next statement.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

H.M.'s FORCES.—Asst. surg. G. A. Grant, Royal Art., at Umritsur, on the 22nd Oct., accidentally killed by a fall from his horse. C. G. A. Barnes, Esq., formerly of H.M.'s 31st Foot, late Lieut. in H.M.'s 2nd Dragoon Guards, at Melbourne, Victoria, October, aged 29.

BOMBAY.—Capt. G. Leaches, Staff Corps, Assistant Political Agent in Katiwar, at sea, Nov. 1.

Passengers by the present Mail.

For Marseilles.—From BOMBAY.—Lady Mansfield and infant, two Masters Mansfield, Archdeacon Boys, H. Somerville, Esq., Mr. Paton, Lieut. Le Messurier, F. H. Bulter, Lieut. col. and Mrs. Thacker and infant, Capt., Mrs., and Master Graham, Lieut. col. and Mrs. Gell, Mr. R. Handcock. From ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. A. Greig.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. Massilia, Jan. 25.—From BOMBAY.—Lieut. col. Fraser, Mrs. Cary, Lieut. B. Seton, Mr. W. Connell. From CALCUTTA.—Lieut. S. Lockwood. From ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. Hicks.

BENGAL.

THE BHOOTAN EXPEDITION.

The little war on our North East frontier is exciting some interest in its neighbourhood. The Bhootan Field Force is at work; the four columns of which it is composed simultaneously advanced into the Doors on the 1st of December. The four columns are respectively named the Right, Right Centre, Left Centre, and Left. The Right Column was at Gowhatty until the 1st, commanded by Brigadier-General Mulcaster, and consisted of three guns; Urquhart's company of the Bengal Sappers; a portion of the 12th Native Infantry; a detachment of the 5th Bengal Cavalry; and the 43rd Native Infantry. Gowhatty is situated on the south bank of the Brahmaputra River, in Assam, in a plain to the north of the Cossyah Hills. The river flows westerly from Gowhatty towards Goolpara, which is distant from Gowhatty about eighty miles in a direct line.

The Right Centre Column was posted at Goolpara, and consisted of a wing of the 44th N.I. (Kelat-i-Ghilzi); three guns; Sale's company of sappers; and a detachment of the 5th Bengal Cavalry. Goolpara is an important commercial town and depot for the Assamese, who trade thither in gold, ivory, tar, wax, and salt.

The next column, the Left Centre, was at Cooch Behar, on the other side of the Brahmaputra, nearly due west from Goolpara about eighty miles. This column is commanded by Colonel Watson, and is composed of the 3rd Goorkhas, part of the 11th Native Infantry, three Mountain Train Armstrong guns, and some mortars, with Sappers and a Pontoon Train.

The Left Column was at Julpigoree, about sixty miles to the west again of Cooch Behar. The troops composing this column were under Brigadier General Dunsford, C. B., and consisted of three Mountain Train guns (Griffin's), two 5½ inch mortars, the Sebundy Sappers, the right wing of the 5th Bengal Cavalry under Major Gough, V.C., portions of the 11th and 18th Native Infantry, and 30th Punjab Native Infantry.

The above constitutes the entire Door Field Force, which appears to be very fairly distributed, the left being of necessity the strongest flank. The four columns, as we said above, started simultaneously on the 1st Dec. The left column has taken Dalimkote, on the hill slopes about forty miles due north of Julpigoree, and believed to be the strongest fortification the Bhootanese possess. Most probably the troops will suffer more from sickness than from other causes. In fact, some of the senior officers have already had to relinquish their commands in consequence of severe attacks of fever. The plains at the foot of the Bhootan hills are extremely unhealthy, but when once our forces reach the heights, which are four thousand feet above the sea level, they will really enjoy the climate.

The following account of the taking of Dalimkote is dated within the stronghold, Dec. 8th:—

"I send off a few lines just to tell you that we took this famous place the day before yesterday, not, I am sorry to say, without serious loss, the Bhootas having fought with much more courage and resolution than we expected, and the Fort being both naturally and artificially strong, and in a most commanding position, we were opposed nearly all the way up the hill, and could only proceed by a narrow, tortuous road, constantly exposed to showers of arrows and stones, both of which the Bhootas threw with great force and precision. The column got close up to the Fort without any serious loss, MacGregor, the Brigade Major, and Loughnan, of the 18th Native Infantry, being the only wounded; but then there stood the Fort before us, on a hill about two hundred feet high, surrounded by a thick wall of about twenty feet elevation. We soon brought our small mortars into position, and were getting on very well with the work, throwing

shells and carcasses into the fort at about a couple of hundred yards' range, when, from a fuse being too short cut, the shell burst in the muzzle of the mortar, and exploded a quantity of powder which poor Griffin was weighing out for the charges; and in an instant three officers—Griffin, Anderson, and Waller, and some artillerymen close by—were blown to atoms. This was a terrible catastrophe to the whole force, and had nearly been far worse, as our gallant and much-esteemed Brigadier-general Dunsford was within a yard of the group just before it occurred, having only that instant left Griffin to give some orders to Capt. Perkins, of the Engineers. By this untoward calamity the force lost the services of three most excellent officers, and seven men, and also of one of their mortars, which became utterly unserviceable. With great difficulty, and after some delay, an Armstrong gun was brought up to the hill, and soon placed in position and brought to play upon the confronting bastion, and, with a carcass, set fire to the buildings inside the fort. This the General thought an auspicious signal and time for an assault; and having got the scaling ladders up, the storming party made a rush and carried the place at once, the Bhootas bolting out on the opposite side. Dhalimkote is a fearfully strong place, and was not taken without several casualties, the General having had several men shot close to his side, and not a few narrow escapes. Our work is not completed yet, as we have one more Fort to take, that of Dhurm Sing, said to be nearly as strong as this, but not in such a commanding and difficult position. Our loss has been heavy; but considering the important result, and the rapid way in which it was obtained, I do not think it disproportionate if we deduct those killed by the unfortunate explosion. Collins, of the Engineers, is wounded severely, both his legs having been broken by the explosion; Macgregor, the General's Brigade Major, slightly wounded on the scalp by a gun shot, and Loughnan, of the 18th Native Infantry, wounded by an arrow through the right arm. We have, besides, eight men killed and fifty-six wounded. We were at it from ten in the morning until six in the evening; and you may imagine that we were not sorry when the affair was over and the fort in our possession. We are not enamoured of hill and jungle warfare, where the highest military skill and best soldiers may be employed with comparatively inadequate results. We leave a garrison to hold this fort, and to-morrow or next day go on with our work."—*Times of India*.

THE VICEROY'S POLICY IN OUDE.

A fortnight ago an article in these columns described the policy which the government is pursuing in Oude. Some discussion has arisen upon the subject since, and we therefore return to it for the purpose of commenting on one or two important points, and telling our readers distinctly and plainly what it is that the Viceroy has been doing.

It is in the nature of things that there should be some slight reaction from Lord Canning's policy. So long as he remained to watch, or Lord Elgin to sleep over it, things went smoothly enough. Few except officials care much about the land tenures of India in parts where there are no indigo planters, and if an official took to writing against the provincial arrangements, what more simple than to transfer him to another province? Thus it was that matters went on, without a murmur, under the two Earls. Sir John Lawrence was less of a patrician, and was both by policy and sympathy disposed to protect the rights of the occupants of the soil. It is impossible to deny that these had been ill cared for by his predecessors. After a hasty summary settlement, during which it was physically impracticable, even if it had been desired, to make any fair investigation into titles to villages, Lord Canning perpetually confirmed the Talookdars in all that had been awarded to them during the proceedings. In this manner villages which had never belonged to them were annexed to their estates, and others which were held on redeemable mortgages became their unconditional property. No such violation of private rights had taken place since the settlement of Bengal. Lord Canning was himself

an eminently just and humane man, but his inexperience disabled him from perceiving the consequences of his acts, and there was no one apparently at the time by his side whom he would allow to point out how unnecessary to his objects was the course pursued. For, in truth, he desired, merely to preserve to the Talookdars the possessions and the dignity which many inherited by descent from an ancient aristocracy, and which others had acquired, more or less reputably, in the shifting scenes of the turbulent native government. He it was, indeed, who, contrary to the recommendation of the local administration, insisted that a clause should be inserted in the Sunnuds reserving the rights of under-proprietors within the Talookas. But having asserted the general principle, he was not over careful to see it carried out. The Talookdars, many of whom might well have expected severe treatment for their rebellion, found themselves the favourites of the hour, with extended estates, and free from the charge of the bodies of retainers who had previously devoured their income. They were really grateful. They praised Queen Victoria to the skies. They founded a Canning College and a Wingfield *Munzil*. They obtained magisterial powers, and jurisdiction over their rent-paying or rent-refusing tenants. They promised to put a stop to female infanticide, to make agricultural improvements—Persian wheels and European machinery. The *Kaisur Bagh* was made over to them for their lodging at Lucknow. They established a newspaper, and in their weakest moment fell into the hands of a Bengallee Baboo of inventive faculties, who changed them into a house of Parliament, and made the Boetians whose rustic talk had been heretofore about bullocks, utter political platitudes from their "journal" which rendered them all ridiculous and some disgusted.

This kind of conduct scarcely succeeded with Lord Canning, although he took it in serious earnest. With paternal fondness he viewed his restored aristocracy, administering justice in their ancestral domains, and occasionally coming to Lucknow for the discharge of their Parliamentary duties. Sick of indigo disputes, he received them in state in Calcutta, and addressed to them a graceful allocution, of which they did not understand a word. Lord Elgin knew his own powers sufficiently well not to meddle with the matter.

But it was quite different when Sir John Lawrence unexpectedly made his appearance. He might admit the policy of upholding the Talookdars in the very extensive properties which, by hook or by crook, they had managed to acquire; and so long as they did not seriously commit themselves, he might encourage with a smile their exertions as a magistracy. But he probably thought that they had got quite enough, and that they were not unlikely to abuse the powers which had been given them over their own tenants. He also felt that it was only fair that claims to minor rights in Talookas should be heard within the usual period of limitation; and to do them justice the Talookdars themselves agreed to this equitable rule. Finding that the appellate business was heavy, he appointed a Financial Commissioner, as in the Punjab. But his last and most obnoxious order, judging from some of the newspapers, is the institution of an enquiry as to whether cultivators have any rights or not in Oude? Such rights have generally been acknowledged in all parts of the Indian Peninsula. If they do exist, it is a condition of the Talookdars' Sunnuds that they shall be maintained. The local authorities, *Consule Canning*, had decided off-hand that such rights did not exist, or that if they did they were detrimental to agriculture and must be exploded. All that Sir John Lawrence has done is to direct that an impartial enquiry shall be made, and that the cultivators interested shall have an opportunity of preferring their claims. It is difficult to conceive

how the Viceroy could have acted in a manner more moderate and unprejudiced; and, with deference to those who think otherwise, we must confess that we see no cause why the territorial aristocracy of Oude should be allowed any new right of rack renting and evicting the populous peasantry on their lands.

Such, succinctly, is the recent political history of Oude. We do not think it disadvantageous that the Cornwallis experiment of maintaining an aristocracy should be repeated under lighter taxation, and a more careful record of the co-existing rights in the soil. But its members have been rocked and dandled into their responsibilities. Their marriage expenditure is ruinous. They are ignorant and priest-ridden in an extreme degree. We think it highly improbable that they will seriously endeavour to improve their estates by the outlay of capital. We anticipate that many estates will be partitioned under the law of inheritance, that others will be mismanaged and will be mortgaged and sold for arrears of revenue, and that therefore the more sober our expectations as to the benefits accruing from the Talookdaree system, the truer they are likely to turn out.—*Friend of India*.

MISCELLANEOUS.

FORGED NOTES.—The Government of India, we understand, has suggested to the Secretary of State to make certain improvements in the die of the currency notes for India, with some additional flourish and embellishments, or to make it a little more ornamental, so as to prevent, as far as practicable, any further attempt at forgery. The above suggestion has been made in consequence of a wholesale forgery committed, some time ago, at Bombay, whereby certain parties attempted to pass a forged currency note, bearing even the water marks, for genuine, and which, however, was detected by the officials there. This forged note is supposed to have been printed on one of those bits of papers which have been stolen from the contractor's mills at home. The offenders have been tried by the local courts at the Bombay Presidency, and punished. The forged note has now been submitted by the Commissioner of issue at that Presidency, for the inspection of the Governor-General and his Council, through the Commissioner at Calcutta. The suggestion seems to be a good one, and should have been made long before this, or when one or two other forgeries, though less cleverly executed than the above-mentioned one, were committed in this town some months back.—*Indian Daily News*.

MR. BEADON'S ILLNESS.—Our readers will be sorry to learn that an illness suddenly attacked Mr. Beadon a few days ago. The Lieutenant-Governor went out to sea soon after he fell indisposed, and the change was attended with good effects. We may state that at the meeting of the Viceregal Council held on the 2nd Dec., Mr. Beadon was present in his usual state of health, and that the following day he presided at the distribution of prizes at St. Xavier's College.

SIR HUGH ROSE.—The accident to his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief will prevent him from carrying out his intention of visiting and inspecting the different stations at which troops are located. An order was issued at Meerut on the 2nd Dec., by which all extra establishments not required for a standing camp are discharged, and it is expected that the camp will be finally broken up in a month. The fractured rib is doing well, but in the opinion of his medical advisers, Sir Hugh Rose's general health has been impaired by the fall.

CAPTAIN R. G. KENNEDY, of H.M.'s 55th Foot, just arrived from England by the *Feroze*, is appointed an aide-de-camp on the personal staff of his Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-general.

CULTIVATION LEASES.—Some lengthy official correspondence has appeared in the *Calcutta Gazette* concerning the granting of cultivation leases in Assam and Cachar. The Board of Revenue, it appears, are of opinion that the cultivation leases of waste land in Cachar practically convey to the lessee a proprietary and transferable right in the land, subject only to re-settlement (temporarily or permanently, at the option of Government) on the expiry of the lease. The Board think it right and expedient that this should be so, and the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal on full consideration concurs in this opinion. His Honour is also of opinion that it is entirely out of the question to refuse to European planters leases of waste land on the same terms as those on which such land is leased to native cultivators. The Lieutenant-Governor approves of granting these cultivation leases for twenty or thirty years, not only in Cachar, but in Sylhet, Assam and Chittagong, and also, if there be no objection, in Darjeeling. No lease is to be for more than 3,000 acres, all the conditions required under the new rules, such as survey, demarcation, &c., must be observed, the leases are not redeemable under the waste land rules, and the rights of the lessee in the land, as well as his other property, are liable to sale for non-payment of revenue. A permanent settlement after thirty years is not to be a condition of the lease. The leases proposed by English lawyers are objectionable to the Lieutenant-Governor. The planters have been hitherto satisfied with the leases granted by district officers, which are binding upon the Government, and which it is unnecessary to supersede by others of a more formal character.

INFANTICIDE.—The trial of Emma Keith, in the High Court of Calcutta on the 10th Dec., on the charge of exposing her newly-born male child with the intention of causing its death, excited a great deal of interest. Owing to the peculiar circumstances of the case, much sympathy was shown for the prisoner. The court was densely crowded, the prisoner being the first European female who had in this country been charged with so serious an offence. Three barristers of the High Court, Messrs. Hyde, Lowe and Coryton, gratuitously acted as counsel for the defence. After a lengthened trial, and an elaborate charge from Mr. Justice Macpherson, the jury retired, and in ten minutes brought in a verdict of not guilty. The scene in court was now one of considerable excitement, the prisoner fainted in the dock, and as soon as the verdict was declared, the audience, we are told, carried away by their feelings, gave a tremendous cheer, followed by a loud clapping of hands. This demonstration was, however, soon suppressed. A public subscription has been set on foot for the benefit of Emma Keith. No one pauses to ask who did murder the child.—*Friend of India*.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.—The Viceroy, accompanied by Lady Lawrence and daughters, and attended by three members of his staff, was present at the annual meeting of the Sunday School Union at the Town Hall, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 13. About six hundred children were present, and the hall was crowded with visitors. The Rev. Mr. Hardman presided, and the speakers were the Rev. Mr. Storrow, Mr. R. Scott Moncrieff, Rev. Mr. Sale, and Dr. Farquhar. The Governor-General has given the committee the use of the park at Barrackpore for a fete, to be held there the day after Christmas-day, to which the parents and teachers are all invited.

ACCIDENT TO SIR R. MONTGOMERY.—The *Delhi Gazette* has an account of an accident which happened to Sir Robert Montgomery, Lieut.-Governor of the Punjab. While out shooting on a jheel at Khanowan, in the Goordaspore district, the shallow punt in which he was, upset, and his Honour fell into the water. He afterwards continued his shooting, and has suffered no injury.

EASTERN BENGAL RAILWAY.—The case "George Ham v. The Eastern Bengal Railway Company," which has occupied the Court of the Hon'ble Mr. Justice C. Leveige for four entire days, has been brought to a conclusion by the declaration of a verdict for the plaintiff. The suit was one to recover damages for wrongful dismissal. Plaintiff was formerly chief accountant in the railway above mentioned; and alleges that he was wrongfully and illegally dismissed from his post by the Acting Agent, to whom the plaint attributed acts of the grossest oppression, and the most deliberate defiance, both of the Board of Directors and the law in respect of his dismissal. The Court found against the defendant on every point, and gave as damages the utmost sum allowed by law—six months' full pay in lieu of notice, and the price of a first-class passage to England.

CLEARANCE OF THE PORT OF CALCUTTA.—At length there is a certain prospect of the wrecks caused by the October cyclone being cleared away, so far as the sunken ships are concerned, and the port being restored to its condition before the hurricane swept it. Lieutenant Wallace, of the Royal Engineers, has been appointed by the Government to be blower-up of ships for the port of Calcutta, so long as any sunken wrecks remain to be removed; and a first instalment of 30,000 pounds of gunpowder has been placed at his disposal with which to commence the work. The number of sunken vessels to be operated upon is nine; and the work will be commenced immediately, an electric battery being used to ignite the exploding charges previously placed, with the aid of the diving armour, in the most advantageous position for effecting the destruction of the hulls.

FREE CHURCH INSTITUTION.—The Viceroy and Governor-General presided on Saturday, the 10th Dec., at the thirty-fourth annual distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Free Church Institution. This institution, it will be remembered, was originally established for the education of native youth by Dr. Duff, the present magnificent building in which it is located having been erected at a cost of a lakh and a half of rupees, the sum being collected by Dr. Duff in England and America, without any appeal to the Indian public. The total number of pupils enrolled during the present year was 1,748, the average monthly attendance being 1,154. Among the visitors present at the examination were the Hon. Messrs. Muir and Anderson, Members of the Imperial Council, and Dr. Hathaway, Private Secretary to the Viceroy.

TORTURE.—It has been reported that a Thakoor, a relation of the Maharajah of Gwalior, lately tortured some men whom he suspected of having committed theft on his premises. He compelled them to hold a hot iron bar in their hands to make them confess. It is said that one died from the ill effects of this treatment, and the attention of the political officers has been called to the fact. Another case of the same kind is reported from Bhopal. There the Kotwal tortured one Gopal, who died from the effects of the beating he underwent.

DELHI PRIZE MONEY.—The Prize Committee have recommended that a third distribution of the Delhi prize-money should be made at the rate of Rs. 24 a share. The recommendation of the committee has been sent to England for the consideration of the Secretary of State for India, and should it be sanctioned, the distribution will be made as soon as possible after the arrival of Sir Charles Wood's order in this country. We should think that this third distribution will nearly wind up the affairs and resources of the Delhi prize-money, and leave but little more to divide.

MR. DAVID COWIE, of Calcutta, has been nominated to a seat in the Legislative Council, in the place of Mr. Claude Browne, who has resigned.

DACCA AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.—The opening of the Dacca Agricultural Exhibition was very successful. Mrs. Abercrombie, the wife of the Judge, in due form declared the show open. Subsequently, Mr. Buckland made an excellent speech in which he alluded to the great and unwonted difficulties they had to contend against in getting up such a show in Dacca. The subscriptions amounted to Rs. 23,000, a sum which considerably exceeds anything which has as yet appeared in connection with the subscriptions of other divisions.

ADVANTAGES OF IRRIGATION IN THE CENTRAL PROVINCES.—A writer in the *Central India Times* informs us that the average rent of unirrigated lands in the Nagpore and Wurdah districts is Rs. 1½th; the rent of irrigated lands varies from Rs. 130 to Rs. 3 per acre. The very high rate of Rs. 130 is paid by only a small cluster of betel-leaf gardens near the town of Ramteak; but in garden plots near towns Rs. 40 an acre is by no means an uncommon rent; and the average rent paid for irrigated land over the two districts is certainly not less than Rs. 4½ an acre. The difference between the rent of irrigated and unirrigated lands is then at least Rs. 3 an acre.

REGISTRAR GENERAL OF ASSURANCES.—The Government of India has authorised the grant to the new Registrar-General of Assurances under Act XVI. of 1864, of a progressive salary of Rs. 1,200, rising, by an increase of Rs. 50 every year, to Rs. 1,500, as has been done at Madras, and not Rs. 2,000 as was recommended by the Government of Bengal. The salary of the Deputy Registrar has been fixed by the Governor-general in Council at Rs. 600 per mensem, for the conjoined duties of the Registration of Assurances under the new Act, and that of the Joint-Stock Companies under Act XIX. of 1857.

PILGRIMAGE TO MECCA.—We are informed that the Nawab of Moorshedabad, being dissatisfied with the amount allowed him for his travelling expenses, Rs. 80,000, has abandoned his intention of proceeding to England. We also learn that his mother has given up her intention to proceed to Mecca. Whilst on this subject we may mention that Ali Nukee Khan, late Wuzer of Oude, is actually engaged in preparations for his voyage thither.

THE DOVETON COLLEGE.—On the 10th December Mr. Justice Phear presided at the annual distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Doveton College. The proceedings took place in the Town-hall of Calcutta, which was, we are told, crowded to excess. The learned judge made an admirable address to the boys, in which he urged upon them the necessity of "striving their best to avail themselves of every opportunity of improvement which God had given them, and they might rest assured that their success would surpass their most sanguine expectations."

THE IMPRISONED ITALIANS.—The fate of the four Italians incarcerated at Bokhara has at length been determined. They have arrived in safety in their own country, and the King of Italy has thanked the Governor-general of India for his co-operation in effecting their release. They have been in the clutches of the Khan of Bokhara for more than a year, and must consider themselves uncommonly fortunate that they have escaped the fate of Conolly and Stoddart.

DISTRESS IN CALCUTTA.—There are at the present moment about four hundred distressed seamen in Calcutta, and a meeting of commanders of merchant ships have been held to devise means of sending them home. It was determined to make an appeal to the Committee of the Cyclone Relief Fund, asking them for a further contribution towards accomplishing the object the meeting had in view.

GENERAL G. ST. P. LAWRENCE, it is said, will return to India in June, and will be appointed a Member of Council, should the expected vacancy occur.

GUN CARRIAGE AGENCY.—Whatever other institution or Government establishment may be abolished, it appears probable that the gun-carriage agency and factories at Futteghur are likely to stand their ground as indispensable for the perfection and efficiency of our artillery in this country. Two batteries of Armstrong ninepounder guns have just arrived here from England, and it turns out that although they have never left the Presidency, the carriages are utterly useless and unserviceable, and have been condemned. The Government has ordered a strong artillery committee, including Colonels Voyle and Maxwell, of the Gun-powder Agency and the Cossipore Foundry, to assemble and report minutely on these gun-carriages; and has ordered that new carriages be made at once for the Armstrong guns at Futteghur. English made gun-carriages are, we believe, next to useless for the rough uses of war in this country and climate, as was seen in the mutiny campaigns, when the carriages of the batteries which came out direct from England soon became shaky and unserviceable.

OUDE LAND SETTLEMENT.—The Viceroy has ordered that in the Land Settlement, now in progress in Oude, no extra assessment shall be laid on lands under irrigation, when that irrigation has been effected by permanent wells newly constructed by the owners. This has been done in order to prevent any delay in the construction of permanent wells, arising from the fear that such wells would be increasing the value of the land, and lead to the levying of an extra assessment by the Revenue officers. Landholders constructing wells on these terms are expected to give notice of their intention to the Tehseeldar, who will inform the Settlement Officer of the proposed sites, in order that the land may be entered as unirrigated in the Survey and Settlement papers.

GOLD CURRENCY.—The amount of sovereigns paid into the Bank of Bengal since the 1st to the 8th is nearly forty thousand, of which half have been taken away again; of this sum we learn a very small portion was paid in for Government dues. Some of the other banks are paying sovereigns when demanded, at the rate of ten rupees, as obtained from the Bank of Bengal. The Agra Bank will continue to do so as long as sovereigns are to be had at the Bank of Bengal. So far the experiment is succeeding well, and every one is willing to give effect to the arrangement. It is clear, however, that so long as sovereigns are valued higher in the Mofussil, they will be carried there.

NATIVE CRUELTY AND SUPERSTITION.—The attention of the Secretary of State has been attracted to the reports from Rajpootana and other native states that people are punished for killing cattle, and that their noses and ears are cut off. It has also been noticed that the superstition with regard to witchcraft is very rife, and the people often murder suspected persons, particularly old women. A case of this kind occurred not long ago at Goojrat, in the Punjab. The Home Government wishes to be more fully informed on this subject, and is desirous that all possible measures be taken to put down these barbarous practices. It will be easier to deal with the cruel punishments inflicted on the people in native states than with the deep-rooted superstition regarding witchcraft and magic.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.—In compliance with the wishes of the Home Authorities, reductions have just commenced to be made in the Office Establishment of the Financial Department, which has during the last four years become unnecessarily expensive. Upwards of half-a-dozen assistants, drawing a salary from 25 to 70 rupees a month, have been dispensed with, and notices have been served upon some others in similar grades and positions intimating that their services will no longer be required by Government.

NEPAUL.—There was a report the other day in the papers that the Nepaulese contemplated joining the Bhootas in the expected war against the British, and that Jung Bahadoor had proceeded into the Terai on a hunting excursion in order to be at Rungpore when the ball should open. The Rajah and Jung, in order to remove the unpleasant impressions which such a report is likely to create, have sent their Vakeel, Colonel Kedarnauth Sing, to Calcutta, with costly presents as pledges of amity and friendship. The Rajah himself has expressed his entire satisfaction with the Indian medal which Colonel Ramsay has presented on the part of the Viceroy to the Goorkhas who took part in the Oude campaign of 1857-58.—*Hurkaru.*

CIVIL STAFF APPOINTMENTS.—The Government of India has recently ruled that in the event of a military officer holding a civil appointment being thrown out of employ on the abolition of his office, and not equally remunerated elsewhere, he is to receive two-thirds of his staff allowance for six months only, commencing from the date of such abolition. This is, we believe, in strict accordance with the late order which extended similar privileges to officers of disbanded corps.

TWO NATIVE INFANTRY COMMANDS are now in the gift of his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, the 7th and 37th Regiments; the former by the promotion of Colonel Pott to be brigadier-general, and the latter by the departure for Europe on sick certificate of Lieutenant-colonel Boyd. We believe that the two officers now second in command of these regiments, Major Nelson in the former, and Major Hodgson in the latter, will succeed to the vacant commands.

THE ANDAMAN CONVICTS.—When the wives of the convicts transported for life to the Andamans were offered a free passage to join their husbands they all declined, and female prisoners have been sent. Amongst these people marriages have been celebrated. Now, numbers of the wives of the men have repented, and are willing to proceed, if a free passage be granted to them. We have not heard whether this has been sanctioned or not.

THE BHOOTAN DOOARS.—The Penlows of Bhootan, we have been informed, have commanded the inhabitants of the Dooars to leave their country and retire into the Hills, or to remain at their peril. Zincoffs have been sent to seize the Chiefs of the Dooar people, as there is a strong suspicion of their joining the British. Cheboo Lama is to hold his appointment and salary as before, and to continue until the close of the Bhootan campaign.

BRITISH SUBJECTS IN BHOOTAN.—The Bhootas have sent all the Indian British subjects detained by them over the snowy range into Thibet, to prevent their recapture, with the exception of one Aurung Sing, who, in 1857, with a large number of followers, after committing several murders in Shaffla Baree, escaped into Bhootan; he is now placed in command of some budmashes and runaways from the British territories, and stationed at Paro.

THE NEPAUL TERAI.—The Government of Nepal has made many complaints of the depredations and violence committed by British subjects of the Oude frontier in the Nepaul territory. The Government has deputed Mr. W. Knighton, deputy commissioner of Khyrabad, to investigate the cases complained of, and the Nepaulese will send a commissioner of their own to meet him.

HOCKEY ON HORSEBACK.—The mercantile members of the Calcutta Hockey Club, played the civil and military members a return match on Saturday evening, Dec. 10th. On this occasion, fortune decided in favour of the merchants, who won five games out of eight.

MR. M. A. G. SHAW, Civil and Sessions Judge of Sylhet, will proceed on three months' privilege leave almost immediately.

THE CURRENCY.—The following is a statement of Government Currency Notes in circulation, of the amount of coin and bullion reserve, and Government securities held by the Department of Issue of Paper Currency, on December the 3rd, 1864:—Notes in Circulation, Rs. 7,12,95,040; Silver Coin Reserve, Rs. 2,78,00,029; Silver Bullion Reserve, Rs. 1,31,00,000; Government Securities held in Calcutta, Rs. 3,03,95,011.

MR. D. CUNLIFFE, magistrate and collector of Rajshahye, will proceed shortly to England, on account of ill-health. Two members of the Civil Service, Messrs. H. C. Richardson and Henry Muspratt, are spoken of as likely to succeed Mr. Cunliffe.

MR. R. N. SHORE, Commissioner of the Cuttack Division, has applied to the local Government for three months' leave of absence. It is believed that Mr. Alexander, the Civil and Sessions Judge of Cuttack, will officiate for Mr. Shore during his absence.

RAIN IN THE PUNJAB.—Of the thirty-two districts which form the Punjab, rain fell only in four during the month of October. Although the fall in these districts was very small, yet, according to the *Lahore Chronicle*, it has proved beneficial. In Lahore itself not a single drop of rain has fallen since the 22nd of August.

ODH COMMISSION.—It is confidently reported that Mr. C. J. Wingfield, chief commissioner, retires early in January. His withdrawal from active service in India is said to be greatly accelerated by the Viceroy's disapproval of the general policy of his administration.

MAJOR GENERAL CUNNINGHAM, the archaeologist, after a tour through Rajpootana, will return to Agra at once, as great sickness has occurred in his camp, and the General has himself suffered from repeated attacks of fever.

COLONEL TAYLOR, C.B., formerly Political Agent of Jeypore, who has lately returned from furlough, will officiate as Political Agent at Palunpore during the absence of Major Arthur, who is about to proceed to England.

GREAT SICKNESS is said to be prevalent in H.M.'s 36th and 107th Regiments, because the instructions of the Medical Authorities, relative to the supervision of the Cyprians who are generally attached to European corps, have not been attended to.

COLONEL R. TAYLOR, now on his way from England, will succeed Sir Herbert Edwardes as Commissioner of Umballa. Sir H. Edwardes will shortly leave India for home.

OPIUM SALE.—The following are the results of the Government opium sale, held in Calcutta Dec. 14:—

	Chests.	Average.	Proceeds.
Behar	2,206	945-1-7½	20,81,895
Benares	1,745	857-14-3¼	14,97,025

THE GOVERNMENT COLLEGE AT DELHI has been affiliated to the Calcutta University.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 9. Madura, Brown, Bombay.—12. Maggie Lauder, Thomas, Sunderland.—15. Badyport, Bourdellies, Bombay.—17. Fernandez, Chingneac, Melbourne; Turrell, Morgan, Moulmein.—19. Radama, Daigre, Havre.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per H.M. str. *Feroze*.—Lady Lawrence, two Misses Lawrence and child, Mrs. Beynon and three children, Miss Bailey, Miss Martin, Miss McPherson, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Tawney.
Per str. *Nubia*.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. De Salis and child, Miss Jenkins, Mrs. Beer and two infants, Mr. and Mrs. Brainbridge, Mrs. Da Costa and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Abercrombie, Mrs. Muspratt and infant, three Misses McCulloch, Miss Scanlan, Mrs. Davoren, Mr. Kerby, Mr. Eccles, Mr. Heaton, Mr. Ravenscroft, Mr. Tellard, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Bound, Mr. Sater, Mrs. Burt and child, Mrs. Strang, Miss Williams, Rev. Mr. Blyth, Maj. Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. Goslett, Maj. Damell, Maj. Mainwaring, Mr. Pearson, Miss Band, Lieut. Rev. Maj. Armstrong, Mr. Bruce, Miss Blest, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Tickell, M.J. Dennis. From MARSHALLE.—Mr. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Horachel, Maj. and Mrs. Ternan, Mr. and Mrs. Fuller, Dr. Watson, Mrs. Schuch and infant, two Misses Gordon, Maj. and Mrs. Eckford and infant, Col. Hammond, Mrs. Parrott, Capt. Richards, Stewart, and Seales, Messrs. Cay, Jones, Patterson, Holson, Schumacher, Ziegler, Moran, Cowan, Cook, Grant, S. O. Gordon, Finch, and

Chisholm. From SUEZ.—Messrs. Strachan, Forrester, Schliemann, and Simeon. From GALLI.—Messrs. Rods and Greve. From HONG KONG.—Messrs. Neimmo and Hickman. From SYDNEY.—Mr. and Mrs. Leak. From BOMBAY.—Messrs. Smith, Guinnett, and Grungel, Mrs. Barber. From MADRAS.—Col. Gott, B. Barrow, Esq., Mr. Campbell, Dr. Smith, Mr. McKelvey, Mr. Riddle, Col., Mrs., and Miss Greenlaw, Mr. Macgill, Mrs. Bloomfield, Mr. and Mrs. Vansilieri and four children, Mr. Watson, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Jones, Maj. Hutchinson.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 8. Str. *Busheer*, Pierre, Maria Luare, Cheshire, Alexandra, Trafalgar, Aaron Brown, and Gluscoe, British Ports.—9. Calcutta, S. Carvin.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, Dec. 23, 1864.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price.
6 per Cent., Sa.	Sa. Rs. 89	Rs. 10 0 to 10 4½
Do. Transfer Stock....	Sa. Rs. 90	...
4 per Cent.	Co.'s Rs. 94½	9 to 9½ dis
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co.'s Rs. 100	3 8 to 3 10 pm.
5½ per Cent.	Co.'s Rs. 100	9 to 9½
5 per cent., 56-57.....	Co.'s Rs. 100	2½ to 2½ pm

EXCHANGE.

	On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight	2 1½ to 2 1½
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight	2 1 to 2 1½
Bills with Docs.	at 6 months' sight	2 1½ to 2 19-16
Bank Post Bills.....	at 1 months' sight	2 0 to 2 0½

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

	Stock.	Paid-up. Rs. each.	Quoted at Rs.
Agra and Masterman's Bank		500	1400 to 1410
Alliance Tea Company.....		85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company		200	525 to 530
Balasun Tea Company.....		100	135 to 140
Bank of Bengal		1000	196½ to 197½
Ditto Interest bearing		4000	7900 to 8279
Beerbhoom Coal Company		1000	860 to 870
Ditto		200	Nom. to 175
Bengal Coal Company.....		1000	1150 to 1175
Bengal Printing Company.....		100	15 to 10 dis.
Bengal River Company		1000	550 to 555
Bengal Tea Company		100	245 to 250
Ditto		80	90 to 100 pm.
Bengal Oil Company		250	par Nominal
Bishalmuth Tea Company		200	240 to 245
Ditto		175	25 to 30 pm.
Bonded Warehouse Association		445	690 to 700
British India Tea		80	par
Burdwan Stone Company		100	75 to 80
Cachar and Assam Tea Company		200	175 to 180
Ditto (Contributory)		115	20 to 25 dis.
Cachar Tea Company		600	740 to 745
Ditto		400	40 to 45 pm.
Calcutta Docking Company		700	1370 to 137½
Calcutta Steam Tug Association		600	530 to 540
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway		52	52
Central Assam Tea Company		100	110 to 115
Central Cachar Tea Company		200	290 to 295
Chittawar Tea Company		25	5 to 10 dis.
Commercial Transport Association		100	par
Dehra Doon Tea Company		100	10 to 5 dis.
Delhi Bank Corporation		500	730 to 750
Dool Tea Tea Company		100	5 to 10 dis.
Durrung Tea Company		45	8 dis. to par
E. B. Indigo Company		100	75 to 80
East India Coal Company		100	38 to 40
East India Railway Company		218	218 to 219
East India Tea Company		100	125 to 124
Ditto		80	15 to 20 pm.
Eastern Cachar Tea Company		100	120 to 125
Ditto		75	15 to 20 pm.
Eastern Bengal Railway Company		218	219 to 220
Eastern Steam Tug Company		1000	1450 to 1470
Eastman and Company		250	220 to 225
Equitable Coal Company		250	220 Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company.....		500	Nominal
Great Eastern Hotel Company		250	245 to 250
Gola Ghant Tea Company		250	315 to 320
Goswery Cotton Mills		60	5 to 15 dis.
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank.....		250	300 to 390
Hooghly Steam Tug Company		1000	1000 to 1050
Hooghly Lighter Association.....		80	10 to 15 dis.
Hope Town Tea Association		100	135 to 140
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company		100	105 to 110
Howrah Docking Company.....		600	40 dis.
Hunter and Company		250	200 to 220
India General Steam Navigation Co.		1000	540 to 545
Jorehaut Tea Company		200	745 to 760
Kunchunpore Tea Company		1000	1300 to 1350
Kurseong and Darjeeling Tea Co.		250	par
Landing Shipping		100	20 to 25 dis.
Leibong and Minchou Tea Company.....		65	par to 5 pm.
Lower Assam Tea Company		35	par
Luckimpore Tea Company.....		155	50 to 55 pm.
Monacherra Tea Company		60	par to 5 pm.
Mmtuck Tea Company		50	par
Mutual Tea Company		100	115 to 110
Ditto		60	70 to 75
National Bank of India (Limited)		250	5 pm. Nom.
New Fort Gloster Company		600	1400 to 1450
Peoples Bank of India		100	75 to 80
Punjab Bank		100	100 to 110
Punjab Trading.....		75	10 pm.
Punkabare Tea Company		100	100 dull
Ditto		37	par Nominal
Ramghur Tea Company		100	par
Ditto		65	par
Royal Bank of India		200	142
R. Scott Thomson and Company		500	545 to 510
Screwing Company (Limited).....		200	15 to 20 dis.
Sea Salt Company		80	par to 10 pm.
Seelsaugor Tea Company		100	5 to 10 dis.
Suala Bank		500	610 to 620

Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90 ... par
Soom Tea Company	75 ... 100
Soorisore Tea Company	1000 ... 1500 to 1520
Ditto	750 ... 450 to 480 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100 ... 15 to 20 dis.
Spence's Hotel Company	254 ... 20 to 35 dis.
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	300 ... 160 to 170
Tirhoot Indigo	200 ... 210 to 212
Tuckvar Tea Company	300 ... 200 to 205
Ditto	60 ... par Nominal
Union Steam Tug Company	250 ... 220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	100 ... 180
Victoria Tea Company	250 ... 235 to par
Ditto	150 ... par to 5 dis.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
Saltpetre ... £0	0 0 to 0 0	Nominal.
Sugar	Nominal.	Nominal.
Rice	Nominal.	Nominal.
Seeds	3 5 0 to 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0
Jute	3 6 to 3 5 0	0 0 0 0 0 0
Cotton	0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SIR COLLEY SCOTLAND, the Chief Justice of the Madras High Court, has again been appointed Vice-Chancellor of the Madras University.

RIOTS AT HYDERABAD.—There has been a riot between the Post Office establishment and the soldiers of the Nawab, in which arms were employed on both sides; several men being wounded belonging to each party. The British authorities have sent in a solemn complaint to the Nawab's Government, and the Nawab's Government have sent an equally solemn complaint to the British authorities.

A VEXATIOUS ORDER.—The Madras Government has passed an order directing that officers on sick leave at Ootacamund shall be reported on every month by the medical officers in charge, as to whether they are convalescent, or otherwise improving in health; with what object it is hard to surmise. The rule has certainly an ugly aspect, as if some flagrant case had come to light of downright malingering which it was impossible to overlook. But there is a grave contravention of principle in troubling a man during the term of a leave formally granted to him.

KAMPTEE SCANDALS.—A writer in Nagpore says.—Kamptee is likely to become as famous as Mhow for its courts of inquiry and courts-martial. No less than three courts of inquiry have been sitting during the last fortnight. Captain Ferrers, of the 3rd Madras Cavalry, was put under arrest, having been accused by Lieutenant Hayes, of the Royal Artillery, of running a horse in a race other than that which Captain Ferrers named to run in a match against Lieutenant Hayes's horse. I shall send you, shortly, full particulars of these extraordinary proceedings; meanwhile Captain Ferrers has been completely exonerated by the Brigadier-general of any ungentlemanly conduct, whilst Lieutenant Hayes and Lieutenant Knox, of the Royal Artillery, both come in for severe wiggings. Major Grant was put under arrest for having partaken too freely of Mr. Exshaw's vintage, and in consequence he has sent in his papers, and retires on his pension. Captain Martin, commanding a battery of artillery in the station, is under arrest for repudiating some notes of hand which were presented by a sowkar, a receipt of money due to him by Captain Martin at the last court of requests. Captain Martin brings witnesses to prove the notes are not in his handwriting, while the Sowkar calls witnesses to prove they are in the Captain's handwriting. Here the matter rests at present.—*Hurkaru*, Dec. 14.

SALE OF YOUNG GIRLS.—The practice of selling young girls for the Zenanas of the great men of Hyderabad, and as slaves, is still continued in the provinces of Hyderabad. Mr. Yule is making great efforts to stop the practice in the assigned districts. In a case brought to his notice, a woman was sentenced to four months' imprisonment for offering a child for sale.

THE HON. MR. MALTBY, Member of the Council of His Excellency the Governor of Madras, is permitted to resign from the 16th December.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 12. War Eagle, Mantle, Calcutta.—13. Comorin, Taunton, Bombay; P. and O. Co.'s str. Candia, Macnamara, Calcutta.—19. General Caulfield, Richards, Moreton Bay.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per P. and O. S. N. Co.'s str. Candia.—For MADRAS.—Mr. Leigh, Mr. Paynes, Capt. Pohle, Mrs. Morase and infant, Capt. Taylor, Mr. Sowers, Maj. Hicks, Capt. Lavie. For BOMBAY.—Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Bryan, Mr. C. Stewart, Mr. Bell. For MELBOURNE.—Mr. Sterndale, Mr. Baldock, Mr. Kavanagh. For SYDNEY.—Col. and Miss Bell. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. and Mrs. Money, Dr. Perkins, Col. and Mrs. Morris and child. For MARSEILLES.—Messrs. Courtney, Cauliffe, Dyas, Athbury, Woodcock, and Underwood, Mrs. Pillars, Mrs. Lounds. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. Sinclairs, Capt. and Mrs. Thompson and infant, Mrs. Slenning, Mr. Wilson, Capt. Jenmonth, Lieut. Jackwood, Mrs. Jeffreys, Mr. Walker, Dr. Roberts, Mr. E. Reeves.

Per str. Arabia.—For CALCUTTA.—Mrs. Gordon and child, Capt. Schlenas, Lieut. and Mrs. Kocher, Lieut. Armstrong.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 13. Str. Comorin, Taunton, Bombay.—14. P. and O. Candia, Macnamara, Suez.—15. str. Arabia, Patterson, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. S. N. Co.'s str. Candia.—For SOUTHAMPTON.—Maj. W. Hordidge, Mr. H. N. Castle, Mr. J. Shund, Capt. A. J. P. Wadman, Mr. H. T. Bristow. For MARSEILLES.—Lieut. F. Thompson, Mr. T. F. A. Agnew, Mrs. Agnew and infant. For SYDNEY.—Mr. C. W. Church, Mr. E. P. Nozes. For GALLE.—Mrs. Doornbus, Mr. Payne.

Per str. Arabia.—For BOMBAY.—Mr. E. D. Dawson. For CALCUTTA.—Capt. Malet. For COCANADA.—Mr. G. S. Head.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A FORGERY ON THE AGRA BANK IN BOMBAY.—The *Bombay Gazette* informs us that an information was laid before H. E. Leeke, Esq., at the Fort Police Office, by Mr. Flinders, Manager of the Agra Bank, against one Philip Rivington, a respectable and gentlemanly looking European, charging him with forgery, in having signed the name of Percy Leith to a receipt for Rs. 5,000. It appears that the prisoner proceeded to the Agra Bank, sent up his card, and saw Mr. Flinders, of whom he requested the loan of Rs. 5,000, saying he would give Mr. Percy Leith as security. Mr. Flinders stated that on that condition he had no objection. The prisoner went away and returned in a short time, with the usual receipt made out, and purporting to be signed with the autograph of Mr. Leith; at the same time saying he wished to have the money deposited with the Bank in his name, which was done, and a cheque-book presented to him. After the prisoner's departure it struck Mr. Flinders as being very strange that, knowing Mr. Leith as he did, that gentleman had sent no introductory letter with the prisoner; and, his suspicions becoming excited, he wrote to that gentleman, asking him whether the transaction was "all square." To this he received an answer, stating that no authority had been given to any person to sign, or that he had signed, any such document. Mr. Flinders on this reported the matter to Mr. Souter, the Commissioner of Police, and had the prisoner apprehended. A cheque for Rs. 300 odd had been given by the prisoner, from the book he received, to Messrs. Watson and Co., and which, of course, has been dishonoured. The investigation of the case has been remanded, when Mr. Crawford, solicitor to the bank, will conduct the prosecution on its behalf.

THE POONA COLLEGE.—Mr. C. Oxenham, Professor of English Literature, left for Bombay on Dec. 12, to take a similar appointment at the Elphinstone College, vacated in consequence of Sir A. Grant leaving for England on six months' leave.

Mr. F. H. SOUTER has been confirmed in his appointment of Commissioner of Police.

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.—In reviewing Mr. Howard's Report of Public Instruction for the year ending April, 1863, the Governor of Bombay in Council remarks that the report, although dated September, 1863, did not reach him in a complete form until July, 1864. It appears also that the report had been shown to Sir Charles Wood, who in a recent despatch expressed some surprise that it had not reached him through the regular channel. The clear and interesting details of the results of the year are satisfactory to the Government of Bombay, which ever since 1855 has been sceptical of brilliant success in the educational department. The schools have increased in number by 65, and the scholars by over eight thousand, compared with the previous year. There has also been an increase of ten thousand rupees in the amount of school-fees. The Governor in Council believes that the work to be done now is not so much to increase the number of the schools as to raise their character, and again expresses his approbation of the system of "payment by results." His Excellency concludes his review of the report by an expression of his high appreciation of the labours of the Director of Public Instruction, "which have so often merited and received the acknowledgment of Government."

THE BOMBAY UNIVERSITY.—Out of the 244 candidates who presented themselves at the Matriculation Examination of the Bombay University 109 have passed their examinations successfully. Among those who thus presented themselves 14 were from the Elphinstone College; 1 from the Elphinstone College and the Government Law School; 21 from the Elphinstone Institution; 5 from the Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy Parsee Benevolent Institution; 6 from the Free General Assembly's Institution; 1 from the General Assembly's Institution, 1 from the Prabhu Seminary, 15 from the Poona College; 14 Poona High School; 3 Poona Mission School; 7 Poona Mission Institution; 1 Poona Vernacular College; 1 Poona Engineering School; 10 Surat High School; 3 Ahmedabad High School; 1 Broach Government English School; and 4 private tuition. Among these successful candidates we observe that the majority are Hindoos.

ON THE ABOLITION OF GRAND JURIES.—Sir Mathew Sausse, the Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court, in his charge to the Grand Jury, at the opening of the fourth Criminal Sessions, on the 3rd of December, alluded to Mr. Maine's Grand Jury Abolition Bill. His Lordship protested against the constitutional and time-honoured functions of a Grand Jury being characterised as "an obstruction to the administration of justice." He entertained a different opinion, and believed that before the change contemplated by the Bill shall take place, "the Imperial Parliament will be called upon to declare how far it is willing that British born subjects should, in the Queen's Indian dominions, be deprived of a privilege they possess as their undoubted birth right in the United Kingdom."

BOMBAY IN COURSE OF RE-CONSTRUCTION.—Both the fort and the native town present the appearance of a place in a state of siege, the roads in all directions being cut up either for laying gas pipes or for works in connection with the main drainage scheme. Blasting operations are likewise going on in all directions, and one can scarcely move along the public thoroughfares without encountering fragments of stone, more or less weighty, in somewhat dangerous proximity to our heads. In a short time we shall doubtless be rid of the gas pipe nuisance, and then we may hope to reap the advantage of all the inconvenience we have been subjected to while things were in a transition state.

COMMERCIAL BANK OF INDIA.—From and after the 1st January, the business of the Commercial Bank of India will be carried on under the title of the Commercial Bank Corporation of India and the East.

GUZERAT.—The Bombay Government is enabled to publish some most cheering intelligence with regard to the anticipated famine in Guzerat. Hopes are now entertained that although the failure, especially of the rice, is most serious, yet it will not amount to a general famine. In some of the districts where water was most wanted, rain has providentially fallen. There is now a prospect of a rubbee crop, and of the tanks being at all events one quarter full, in places in which before this rainfall there was no hope of a cold weather crop, and every prospect of the cattle dying for want of water. On the whole, although the crops have not so entirely and universally failed that a famine is to be apprehended, yet the prices of all kinds of grain are so high that the greatest want prevails among the poorer classes of the non-agricultural population.

FICTITIOUS PROSPERITY.—The boasted prosperity of Bombay has, according to the *Mercantile Observer*, a very limited application. The only thing the said prosperity has done has been to make men already wealthy, richer still. For two hundred years the condition of Europeans has not been such as it is now, and Englishmen are seen daily about Bombay whose outward appearance and misery is a disgrace to them and their countrymen. Country, and even race, seem to have been lost sight of by the European community; money is the god to which everything is sacrificed.

GROUNDLESS ALARM.—We are told by the *Sindian* that some evil-disposed individuals spread the report among the native community that a cyclone would visit Kurrachee on Tuesday, the 28th of November, when, it was feared a bore wave would rush in at about seven o'clock in the evening, and put the place under water. A panic was the consequence, and over 2,000 people abandoned the town and camp, some for Kotree and Hyderabad; but the greater number for the shrine at Mugger Peer and the surrounding hills, from which it is hoped they will return wiser, though poorer, men than when they "skekaddled."

MILITARY STAFF BUILDINGS.—The buildings in Churchgate-street, so long known as the Military Staff Buildings, and which were disposed of a few months since, are now in course of demolition; their removal will tend very materially to improve the approach to the Elphinstone Circle from the westward, and when the new erections, on the present site are completed along with the Circle itself, Bombay will have taken the first step in the direction of architectural improvement, which has long been considered necessary by the more enlightened portion of her thriving community.

GOVERNMENT CONCESSIONS.—A notification has been issued from the Public Works Department, that under instructions from her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for India, the maximum concessions that will be made to companies undertaking, with the approval of Government, new lines of railway in India, are as follows:—£100 per mile for 20 years, and an additional £100 a-year for the same period in respect of every £10,000 expended on large bridges, or other works of an exceptionally costly description.

BYCULLA CLUB.—The members of the Byculla Club gave a dinner on Monday evening (19th Dec.) to Admiral King, C.B., and the officers of the Royal Navy ships now in port. About 120 gentlemen were present. The Hon. Mr. W. E. Frere presided, and Sir William Mansfield (who returned thanks for the army) and most of the other celebrities of Bombay were present.

LOSS OF THE HYDASPE.—The *Hydaspe*, belonging to the Messageries Impériales, is a total loss on the Pan Shoal at the entrance of the Straits of Rhio. This vessel was on her first voyage from Singapore to Batavia.

NATIVES GOING TO ENGLAND.—Sir Alexander Grant, of the Bombay Educational Department, is proceeding to Europe accompanied by three native pupils, Mr. Perozsha Merwanji, B.A., to study law on Hon'ble Rustunji's foundation; Mr. Hormusji Wadia, under-graduate, to learn the same profession on his private means; and Mr. Hormusji Ruttonji Shroff, B.A., to join the firm of Messrs. Dadabhai Naoroji and Co., on a salary of Rs. 300 a month with eventual prospects of membership in the firm.

FLOGGING.—The Government of Bombay has determined that the punishment of flogging shall be inflicted in that Presidency with the cat-o'-nine tails of the size and description used in the army. The punishment is to be inflicted on the back, across the shoulders. Both the instrument used, and the mode of infliction are much inferior to the method employed in Bengal, where the common rattan does all that is necessary.

LIFE IN INDIA.—The Chief Engineer in Scinde, Colonel Tremenhoe, C.B., had to leave Kotree lately on duty in the interior. His baggage, personal, we presume, had to be carried by fifty camels, a striking illustration of the fact so forcibly urged on the Supreme Government by the Government of Bombay, that it was impossible for the servants of the State to live on their bare pay.

THE P. & O. S. N. CO.'S STEAMER *Nepaul*, which struck on an unknown rock near Yokohama, was successfully got off and reached Hong Kong safely on the 18th November. She was docked at Whampoa, and though the damage sustained was great, she would, it was supposed, be ready for sea in about three weeks.

THE SEASON IN BOMBAY has fairly set in, so far as the fashionables are concerned, though the weather, especially during the day, is anything rather than seasonable. The Opera has now become the acknowledged resort of all those who have any pretensions to position in society, and the band stand on the Esplanade is well attended by all classes of the community on those evenings when the Governor's band performs.

THE LATE MURDER OF A HINDOO MAHARAJ AT HONORE.—From a telegram received by us (*Bombay Gazette*) last night (19th Dec.), we learn that all the prisoners in the late murder case at Honore were acquitted and discharged on the 16th, by the Sessions Judge of that station. It will be in the recollection of our readers that the prisoners were defended by R. B. Barton, Esq., barrister-at-law, who was assisted by Mr. Hormusjee Dadabhoi, pleader.

MR. E. BURKE.—We regret to announce the death of Mr. Edmund Burke, Deputy Registrar on the Original Jurisdiction side of the High Court. The deceased died on board the steamer while on his way to England. The sad intelligence was received in Bombay by the last mail.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF PORTUGUESE INDIA has been visited by a very large number of the Goanese residents in Bombay, all of whom he has received with marked urbanity, and has in consequence made a very favourable impression upon the whole of the Portuguese community in the island.

THE COTTON FRAUDS ACT is working well in the cotton districts, and the proprietors of cotton presses in the Mofussil are becoming alive to the necessity of closely scrutinising the cotton that is sent into them for packing.

THE SCHEME OF RECLAMATION proposed by the Bombay Dock Corporation Company has been favourably received by the local Government, and is now merely awaiting the confirmation of the Supreme Government.

MR. J. P. HUGHLINGS has been appointed as Acting Principal of the Elphinstone College, during the absence of Sir A. Grant to England.

INDO-EGYPTIAN BANKING CORPORATION.—A new joint-stock company, under the name of "The Indo-Egyptian Banking and Financial Corporation," has been projected for the purpose of extending to Egypt the banking and exchange facilities which are necessary to the full development of the agricultural resources and trade of the country. Egypt has during the last three or four years been growing very rapidly in commercial importance; the country has profited hardly, if at all, less than Western India by the American war; the export value of the cotton crop for the present year is estimated at £17,000,000; English exports to Egypt, which have more than doubled since 1861, now amount to about £5,600,000 a year, and the trade between Bombay and Suez in the year 1863-64 was worth £10,000,000, being an increase of nearly £2,000,000 over the value of the trade in the previous year. Indeed, it is strange that, lying as Egypt does directly in the highway of the trade between England and India, with every facility for recovering the old position of Alexandria as the great port of interchange for the commerce of the East and the West, the country has not before this time been brought by the enterprising bankers of Bombay within the sphere of their exchange operations. The promoters of the new company are, at present, the Hon. A. J. Lewis (Advocate-General), Mr. H. B. Maculloch (of the firm of Maculloch, John, and Co.). It is also hoped that Mr. G. Taylor will be able to join the company as soon as he has been relieved of his duties in the High Court. Mr. E. A. Flinders, of the Agra Bank, will, it is understood, be the general manager of the company in Bombay. The promotion is therefore certainly not deficient in men of great banking experience and ability.

BOMBAY INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION.—Bombay has determined upon having an International Exhibition, and a company has already been formed with a capital of £500,000. The promoters have applied to Government for a grant of land and concession to carry out the undertaking.

THE CENSUS OF THE ISLAND OF BOMBAY, taken on the 2nd of February, has been published, and shows the population to amount to 816,562 persons, 530,450 males and only 286,112 females. These figures are believed to be very incorrect.

MR. SCOBLE, Chief Justice, has appointed Mr. A. R. Scoble, Barrister-at-Law, Registrar and Taxing Master of the High Court (Original Jurisdiction), in the place of Mr. G. Taylor, resigned.

MR. W. CRAWFORD.—The resignation of Mr. W. Crawford, as senior Magistrate and Commissioner of Police, Bombay, has been accepted by Government from the 13th Dec.

DR. J. PEET, Principal of the Grant Medical College, is allowed a furlough to Europe for two years, from the 14th January, 1865, under the new furlough rules.

CAPTAIN WADDINGTON.—During the absence of Mr. E. I. Howard in England, Captain Waddington, Inspector of the Central Division, will act as Director of Public Instruction.

DR. GIRAUD has been appointed Principal of the Grant Medical College, in the room of Dr. Peet, who goes home by the next mail.

DR. COLES, Secretary to the Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, will shortly proceed to Europe on leave.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 13. Governor-general, Hunter, Calcutta; Noto, Gibson, Rangoon; Johanna Matilda, Teesbay, Rangoon; Canada Belle, Henderson, Rangoon.—14. Ceylon, Que-ta, Rangoon.—15. City of Agra, Siegh, Liverpool; Istambul, Richer, Calcutta; Hippogriffe, Laurens, Calcutta.—17. Lallah Rookh, Earl, Calcutta; Dorothy, Thompson, Liverpool; Planet, Jenkins, London.—18. Pearl, Brown, Calcutta; Malabar, Chamber, Singapore; Fatty Salam, Miles, Calcutta; Millwall,

Smith, Point de Galle; John Lidgett, Robertson, Calcutta—19. Barkway, Irwin, London; The Craigs, Iago, Liverpool; Monmouthshire, Ewing, Calcutta—21. Western Belle, Manson, Liverpool; str. Orissa, Hector, Hong Kong—22. str. Lord Clyde, Wild, Glasgow; str. Cashmere, Maddison, Calcutta—23. str. Comorin, Taunton, Calcutta—24. British India, Patching, Calcutta—25. Betram Rigby, Gillies, Hull; Louisa, Scowcroft, Calcutta; Dilpusund, Seymour, London—26. str. Singapore, Blake, Mauritius; Olympe, Fatomsie, Singapore; str. Margaret Crawford, Jenkins, Goa; str. Behar, White, Suva—27. str. Massarah, Nast, Aden.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per P. and O. Co's str. Behar.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Messrs. G. Bayne, F. Cummins, G. Dudley, F. C. Kirkman, H. Harris, W. Bearock, F. Hornby, James Haig, W. Ashburner, E. Hart, J. Bradbury, A. Edmonds, B. Gott, H. Bamber, D. McPherson, G. Buttle, H. Melrose, G. Spencer, C. F. Whish, Campbell, Hawkes, J. Hackness, T. Wilson, J. Angus, J. Fleming, T. Mackie, J. Kay, S. Smart, Beaumont, Boutell, G. Brisle, Miss Hailes, Mr. and Mrs. Daly, Capt. W. D. Eve, Mr. and Mrs. Ibberry, Col. and Mrs. Payer, Mrs. Weason, Mrs. Good, Mr. Greaves, F. Otto, P. Brodie, J. Heath, R. Deans, Mrs. Smith, Mr. McKenzie, Asst. surg. Sherlock, Capt. McNeil. From MARSEILLES.—Asst. surg. Wakenfield, Capt. and Mrs. A. K. Forbes, Capt. and Mrs. Finch, Mr. and Mrs. Blower, Miss Halked, Mr. Thompson, Maj. and Mrs. Lester, Maj. Kembal, Mrs. Shaw, Messrs. Cortazzi, Skinner, Gladding, Mr. and Mrs. Broughton, Mr. J. McAlister, Mr. Hoadley, Maj. Alexander, Messrs. Le Bas, Spring, Howard, Rev. C. Isenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Ward, Mr. F. Fuike. From MALTA.—Mr. Robertson. From SUZ.—Lieut. col. McLeod, Messrs. Sampson, Howard, Greil, St. Ledger, Rodger, W. Cardou. From ADEN.—Syed Hassan Bagdadley.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 13. Susannah, Leach, Moulmein.—14. Gatinneau, Cummings, Liverpool; str. Benares, Collett, Aden and Suva; str. Eneu, Mathven, China.—15. str. Pantaloon, Purvis, Curwar, str. Wasp, Bowden, Zauzibar; str. Ephrates, Day, Malabar Coast.—19. Longwood, Peterson, Liverpool; Faize Allum, Wier, Rangoon; Fez Rabaneau, Southern, Calcutta; Mahomed Shah, Freeman, Rangoon; Lydia Williams, Carr, Liverpool; Shah Jehan, Jenkins, Calcutta.—20. Negotiator, Oldham, Liverpool; Knight Errant, Foster, Liverpool; Amanathool Rahaman, Naroda, Cochui and Alpie; str. United Service, Brown, Hong Kong.—21. Lydia, Milne, Moulmein; William Kidston, Logan, Akyah; str. Hilda, Logan, Rangoon; str. Margaret Crawford, Jenkins, Goa; str. Johnstone Castle, Moylan, Vitoria.—22. Godavery, Middleton, Madras; Naval Brigade, Moom, Zanzibar.—23. str. Phlox, Heard, Surat.—24. Beeston Castle, Gibbs, Liverpool; Foam, Watt, Liverpool.—27. Blue Jacket, Lusby, Rangoon; City of Delhi, Taylor, Liverpool; Banner, McCradie, Liverpool; str. Penang, Blackmore, Kurrachee and Persian Gulf; str. Governor Hugginson, Brooke, Kurrachee.—29. mail str. Malta, Collett, Suva.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. Co's str. Malta.—For SUZ.—Mr. T. R. Davison, Col. Shute, Lieut. col. and Mrs. Geil. For MALTA.—Mr. and Mrs. W. Ibrahith. For MARSEILLES.—Mr. H. Somerville, Lieut. col. and Mrs. Thacker and three children, Mr. C. Shaw, Mr. Archdeacon Boys, Capt. and Mrs. Graham. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Mansfield and two children, Lieut. col. Fraser, Lieut. J. M. Buller. Per P. and O. Co's str. Benares (additional).—For SUZ.—Rev. F. Geil. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. Connell, Mrs. Geil and two children.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, Dec. 13, 1864.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks—at	
6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s. 1½d. to 2s. 1½d.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 1½d. Cred. Bills.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 1½d. Docts.	
On Calcutta, at sight, per 100	100½
Ditto, at 30 days' ditto	99½
Ditto, at 60 days' ditto	98½
On Madras, at 30 days' ditto	100½
On China, at 60 days' ditto	Rs. 223 per 100 doles.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES

Agra Bank (Rs. 500)	180 pr. cent pm
Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000)	285 do.
Bank of India (Rs. 25)	55 pm.
Broker's Banking Co. (Rs. 20)	16 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 250)	60 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200)	120 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500)	125 xd
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200)	100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 20)	83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 250)	190 do. inc. n. sh.
Oriental Bank Corporation (Rs. 250)	170 do.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25)	44 x.d. do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000)	127 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000)	Rs. 31,000 p. sh.
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 2,700)	Rs. 6,000 p. sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667)	Rs. 14,750 p. sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co.—	
(A) share (Rs. 6,000)	Rs. 155,000 pm.
(B) share (Rs. 6,000)	
Frere Press Co. (Rs. 250)	
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 45,000 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,200)	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Great Indian Peninsular Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 218-3-0)	10 prem.
Ditto, New 220 Shares (Rs. 87-4-4)	Rs. 5 prem.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Co. (Rs. 1,000)	per.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 300 prem.

FREIGHTS.

To London—Cotton, £3. 6s. to £0.; Seeds, £1. 15s. to £0. 6s. Od.
To Liverpool—Cotton, £0. 20s. to £0. 6s.; Seeds, £2. 5s. Od. to £0. 6s.



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Fort William, Nov. 25.—No. 332.—The services of the following officers of royal engineers are placed temp. at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the military dept., for service with the Bhootan force, from the dates on which they were relieved of their respective charges:—

Capt. G. N. Kelsall and E. Perkins.

Lieuts. H. W. Garnault and W. G. Cumming.

Nov. 26.—No. 333.—The Chief Engineer of Mysore has granted 1 mo. priv. leave to Mr. R. C. Dobbs, exec. engr., Bangalore div., from Nov. 1.

No. 335.—Capt. F. T. Haig, superint. engr., Upper Godavery Circle, reported his departure from Madras on Sept. 27, on 15 mo. leave, on m.c.

No. 337.—The following removals and postings of asst. engr. in the Central Provinces are sanctioned, with effect from the dates on which they may be carried out:—

Lieut. C. A. Sim, R.E., from the Nagpoor div. to 1st div., Great Northern Road.

Lieut. H. W. Clarke, R.E., from the Saugor div. (on survey duty) to the Southern Road div.

Mr. A. R. Moseley from 3rd div., Great Northern Road, to the Saugor div., and to be placed under Capt. Priestley's orders for survey duty.

Mr. J. W. Henry from the Southern Road div. to the Nagpoor div.

Mr. F. J. Johnston from 1st div., Great Northern Road, to the Eastern Road div.

Lieut. C. E. Shepherd, prob. asst. engr., is posted to 1st div., Great Northern Road.

Mr. R. C. Anderson, prob. asst. engr., is posted to irrigation div.

Nov. 30.—No. 338.—Mr. J. M. Algie, prob. asst. engr., British Burmah, is transf. from the Rangoon to the embankment div.

No. 339.—Capt. H. Z. Darrah, exec. engr., 4th class, British Burmah, is posted to Toungoo div.

No. 340.—Mr. G. C. Cooke, asst. engr., 2nd class, is posted to the Mhow div.

Capt. G. De P. Falcounet, exec. engr., 2nd class, is transf. from 3rd div., Mhow and Nusseerabad Road, to the Mhow div.

Capt. J. Hills, exec. engr., 3rd class, is transf. from Mhow div. to 3rd div., Mhow and Nusseerabad Road.

Dec. 2.—No. 341.—Lieut. W. Jeffreys, R.E., superint. Alighur div., Ganges Canal, and Lieut. C. H. Luard, R.E., asst. principal, Thomason College, are temp. attached to the public works secretariat of the Govt. of India, with effect from the dates on which they made over charge of their respective appts.

No. 342.—Sub-conductor J. Adams, asst. overseer, N.W.P., is transf. to British Burmah.

Dec. 3.—No. 630.—H.E. the Gov. gen., is pleased to accept the resignation of the Hon. C. H. Brown, consequent on his departure from India, of his post of additional member of the council for making laws and regulations.

Dec. 5.—No. 6309.—H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. is pleased to nominate D. Cowie, Esq., to be an additional member of the council of the Gov. gen. for the purpose of making laws and regulations only.

No. 6310.—Mr. H. T. Prinsep resumed charge of the office of registrar of the High Court, appellate side, on the afternoon of the 28th ult., from Mr. F. B. Peacock, whose servs. are replaced at the disposal of the govt. of Bengal.

No. 6312.—The underment. cov. civil servants having produced the necessary m.c., have been granted by the Rt. hon. the Secretary of State for India extensions of leave for the periods specified, viz.:—

Messrs. J. M. Lister, H. S. J. Ross, and J. H. Bax, 6 mo.

Mr. W. Macpherson, 3 mo.

Mr. H. B. Riddell, 6 weeks.

No. 6313.—Leave of absence for 3 mo. has been granted to Capt. W. N. Lees, LL.D., secy. to the board of examiners, with effect from the date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 6311.—Capt. E. St. George, asst. secy. to

the Govt. of India, legislative branch, is appointed to offic. as secy. to the board of examiners, in addition to his other duties, during the absence, on leave of Capt. Lees, or until further orders.

No. 6315.—Capt. E. St. George received charge of the office of secy. to the board of examiners from Capt. W. N. Lees on the 3rd inst.

Dec. 7.—No. 6316.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the undermentioned officers with the full powers of a mag. in the dist. of Oude, viz.:—

Lieuts. R. H. De Montmorency, and W. Phaire, Major A. E. Wilkinson, Lieut. F. Currie, and the undermentioned officer with the powers of a subordinate mag. of the 1st class in the same dist., viz.:—

Lieut. J. Low.

No. 6318.—Dr. F. Douglas, civil surg., Lucknow, availed himself, on the 7th ult., of the month's priv. leave granted to him on the 14th idem.

No. 6320.—Capt. R. Moseley, of the staff corps, is permitted to resign the office of dist. superint. of police at Kurnal.

Capt. Moseley's services are replaced at the disposal of the military dept.

Dec. 8.—No. 6321.—Capt. C. B. L. Smith, dep. comr. of Chandah, is appd. to be marriage registrar of that dist.

Dec. 9.—No. 6323.—Lieut. C. A. Munro, Bengal staff corps, superint. of police, 2nd class, British Burmah, returned from sick leave to Eur., and resumed charge of his duties on the forenoon of Oct. 31.

Dec. 3.—No. 1,461.—H.E. the Viceroy and gov. gen. in Council is pleased to permit Asst. surg. J. D. Wylie, in medical charge of the Meywar political agency, to resign his appt. Mr. Wylie's services are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the N.W.P. from the date on which he may be relieved.

Dec. 5.—No. 233.—Lieut. C. Young, doing duty officer, 40th Regt. N.I., is appd. to be doing duty officer in the Meywar Bheel corps.

No. 1,474.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to accept the resignation by Capt. J. C. Wood of his appt. as dep. comr., 1st class, in the Cent. Provs., with effect from the date on which he may be relieved of the charge of the Nimar dist.

The following arrangements are made in consequence:—

Maj. J. N. H. Maclean, dep. comr., 2nd class, to be dep. comr., 1st class.

Capt. T. Penton, dep. comr., 3rd class, to be dep. comr., 2nd class.

No. 1,475.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to accept the resignation by Maj. C. M. Shakespear of his appt. as dep. comr., 3rd class, in the Cent. Provs., with effect from Aug. 25 last, and to sanction the following arrangements:—

Capt. G. Warner, asst. comr., 1st class, to be dep. comr., 3rd class, from Aug. 25.

Mr. J. W. Chisholm, asst. comr., 2nd class, to be asst. comr., 1st class, from the above date.

Capt. H. F. Newmarch, asst. comr., 1st class, to be dep. comr. 3rd class, vice Mr. A. G. W. Harris, reduced to the rank of asst. comr., 1st class, from Oct. 5.

The services of Maj. Shakespear are replaced at the disposal of the Mily. Dept.

No. 1,478.—Lieut. J. N. B. Hewett, asst. comr. in Oude, reported his return to India on Nov. 29.

No. 1,479.—Lieut. col. J. F. D'E.W. Hall, commandant of the Eripoorah irregular force, and polit. supt. of Serohie, reported his return to India on Nov. 9.

No. 1,480.—Lieut. A. N. Bruce, asst. to the Gov. Gen.'s agent for the States of Rajpootana, reported his return to India on Nov. 9.

No. 1,481.—Capt. C. R. Shaw, an asst. comr. in Oude, reported his return to India on the evening of Nov. 28.

No. 1,490.—Mr. H. S. Boys, C.S., is app. to offic. as an asst. comr. 3rd class, in the province of Oude, during the absence on leave of Mr. A. H. Harington.

Dec. 7.—No. 309.—The Viceroy and Gov. Gen. in Council is pleased to invest Capt. W. D. Dickson, officg. cantonment mag., Neemuch, with the powers of a canton. mag. within the limits of the canton. of Neemuch.

No. 271.—Mr. L. Evans is app. a jun. sub asst. in the rev. survey dept. from Nov. 12.

No. 273.—Mr. H. Rivett-Carnac, settl. officer of the Chandra and Wurda dists., in the Central Provinces, is invested with the powers of a coll. as described in Act X. of 1859, for the decision of suits, during the period he may be employed in making or revising settlements of land rev. in the above mentioned districts.

No. 1,503.—Mr. E. O. Bradford, dep. comr. in Oude, reported his return to India on Nov. 29.

No. 1,504.—During the abs. of Sur. major S. A. Homan on duty as offic. insp. gen. of hospitals at Agra, Dr. G. Auchenleach, of H.M.'s 81st regt., is appd. to the med. charge of the Gwalior political agency, in add. to his other duties, with effect from Nov. 14 last.

No. 1,506.—The services of Major H. Dixon, of the 22nd regt. M.N.I., are placed at the disposal of the comr. of Mysore for special duty, as a temp. arrangement.

No. 1,507.—Mr. A. Collis is appd. an extra asst. comr. of 3rd class, in the Central Provs., and posted to Doomagoodium, in the Sironcha district.

Dec. 8.—No. 1,517.—The services of Mr. G. Smyth, C.S., are placed at the disposal of the Punjab Govt.

No. 1,521.—Lieut. F. K. Hawkins, offic. dep. comr. of Sultanpore, in Oude, returned to his duty on the forenoon of Nov. 18, from the 3 mo. priv. leave granted him in G.O. No. 96, dated May 10 last.

No. 1,523.—H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to app. Maj. J. W. Stubbs, dep. comr., West Berar, Hyderabad assigned dists., to offic. as 1st assist. to the resident at Hyderabad during abs. of Lieut. col. A. R. Thornhill, on m.c. to Europe.

Maj. Stubbs reported his arrival at Hyderabad on the evening of Nov. 17, from leave on m.c. to Eur., and assumed charge of the office of 1st assist. resident, superint. of residency bazaars, and extra assist. in the Thuggee and Dacoites dept., from Capt. H. Fraser, offic. 1st assist. resident, on the forenoon of Nov. 18, from which date Capt. Fraser reverts to his appointment of 2nd assist. resident.

Lieut. W. Tweedie, of the Bengal staff corps, was relieved from the duties of offic. 2nd assist. resident on the forenoon of Nov. 18, and his servs. are replaced at the disposal of the milly. depart.

No. 3,733.—Notifications.—Mr. W. Waterfield assumed charge of the office of dep. auditor and acct. gen., N.W.P., on Nov. 30.

No. 3,784.—Mr. R. W. Mathews assumed charge of the office of chief asst. in the estabmt. of the dep. auditor and acct. gen., Bombay, on the forenoon of Nov. 22.

No. 343.—Mr. W. Lloyd, exec. eng., 3rd class, Oude, is permitted to resign his appt. in the pub. works dept., with effect from the date of his making over charge of his div.

Mr. W. D. Brockman, exec. eng., 4th class, is transf. from Bengal to Oude.

This cancels the order No. 149, dated June 4, transf. Mr. Brockman to Bengal.

No. 344.—Mr. C. W. Hope, asst. eng., 1st class, is transf. from N.W.P. to the Lighthouse div., with effect from Oct. 29 last.

Dec. 8.—No. 345.—Lieut. col. C. J. Hodgson, R.E., consulting engr. for the Oude and Rohilkhand railways, is app. to offic. as chief engr. and secy. to Govt., North Western Provinces, in the pub. works dept., with effect from Nov. 29.

Dec. 9.—No. 347.—Capt. G. Falconnet, exec. engr., 2nd class, and Capt. J. Hills, exec. engr., 3rd class, assumed charge of the Mhow div. of pub. works and 3rd div. Mhow and Nusserabad road respectively on the afternoon of Nov. 15.

No. 348.—Mr. A. B. Gatherer, prob. asst. engr., under covenant with the Sec. of State for India, is posted to Mysore. Mr. Gatherer is brought on the strength of the pub. works dept., with effect from Oct. 4.

No. 349.—The portions of notifications Nos. 266 and 814 of 1864, apptg. Lieut. F. D. M. Brown, V.C. of the 101st foot to the pub. works dept. as a prob. asst. engr., and posting him to the North Western Provinces, and transf. him to the Punjab, are cancelled.

EXAMINATION IN HINDOOSTANI.

Dec. 6.—No. 978.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 734 of Sept. 9, 1864, it is notified that in order to allow those officers who have hitherto been studying to pass the examination in Hindoostani known as the P.H. a further opportunity of doing so, a second exam. will be held at the College of Fort William in the last week of Jan., before which officers can present themselves for that purpose in the usual manner.

The usual half-yearly exams. at the several stations of the army will be held in Jan. next on the 26th, instead of the 10th of that month.

No. 979.—With reference to Clauses 1 and 2 of para. 4 of G.G.O. No. 734 of Sept. 9, 1864, it is notified that the 2nd "Durvesh," including the story

of King Azad Bakht from the "Bagh-o-Bahar," and the first ten stories of the "Bytal Pachesees," will be used as the test for the first standard under the new rules.

Ample notice will be given when the works to be used and entitled "Hindoostani Selections" for the purposes of this exam. have been decided upon by Govt.

No. 980.—The services of Lieut. W. A. J. Wallace, of the royal engra., are placed permanently at the disposal of the public works dept.

No. 981.—The following order issued by the gov. of Fort St. George, is confirmed:—

No. 447.—Nov. 4.—Extending to Dec. 20, 1864, the leave to the Neilgherry Hills on m.c. granted to Capt. W. H. Lowther, of the late 52nd N.I., in G.G.O. No. 201, of March 8, 1864.

No. 984.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence, m.c.

Lieut. S. D. Lockwood, of the gen. list, cav., for 20 mos., under new regs.

No. 985.—Appointments:—

Assist. surg. W. J. Palmer, offic. 2nd assist., Presidency General Hospital, to be 1st assist. Presidency General Hospital, v. Surg. W. B. Beatson, who vacates the appointment on promotion.

Asst. surg. J. Fawcus, M.D., offic. civil, Monghyr, to be 2nd asst. surg., Presidency General Hospital, v. Asst. surg. Palmer.

Dec. 7.—No. 986.—The services of Lieut. C. E. Shepherd, of the gen. list, inf., are placed at the disposal of Public Works Dept., with effect from Sept. 26.

No. 987.—The undermen. officer, having completed 20 years' service, six years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be maj. from the date specified opposite to his name, under the royal warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. (brev. lieut.) col. A. Robinson, Dec. 8.

No. 989.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave on m.c.:—

Maj. C. P. Y. Triscott, of the late 43rd Madras regt. N.I., for 20 mo., under the new regulations.

No. 990.—The underment. officers have reported their return from England:—

Capt. T. G. Kennedy, of the Bengal staff corps, 2nd in command and wing officer, corps of guides, offic. comdt., 2nd Punjab cav.; and Surg. J. C. Bow, M.D., of the med. dept.; date of arrival at Fort William, Nov. 25, 1864.

Lieut. col. C. Mackenzie, of the Madras staff corps; Maj. E. M. Ryan, of the Bengal staff corps, dep. comr. British Burmah; Maj. R. R. Adams, of the Bengal staff corps, dep. comr., Hazara dist., Punjab; Maj. G. B. Malleon, of the Bengal staff corps; Capt. C. H. Clay, of the Bombay staff corps, 2nd in command and squadron officer, Deolies irreg. force; Lieut. J. N. B. Hewett, of the Bengal staff corps, assist. comr., Durriabad, Oude; Lieut. R. G. Birch, of the late 1st Eur. L.C.; Lieut. O. M. Graham, of the late 6th Eur. regt., Sub assist. comy. gen.; Lieut. J. G. Campbell, of the late 15th regt. N.I.; Lieut. L. C. Gordon, of the royal engra.; and Assist. surg. S. Clark, of the med. dept., insp. gen. of prisons, N.W.P.; date of arrival at Fort William, Nov. 29.

No. 991.—Lieut. W. H. Collins, of the R.E., is appointed 2nd asst. in the great trigonometrical survey of India, from the date on which his services can be spared from military duty with the Doar field force.

No. 992.—Lieut. O. M. Graham, sub asst. comisy. gen., 2nd class, is appointed to offic. as sub asst. comisy. gen., 1st class, with effect from the date of his return from sick leave to Europe, the junior officer acting in that grade reverting to his former place.

No. 993.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on urgent private affairs:—

Lieut. R. H. Dyas, of the late 4th European regt., for 6 mo., without pay.

Dec. 8.—No. 994.—The undermentioned officer has reported his return from England:—

Major (brev. lieut. col.) S. J. Hire, of the Bengal staff corps, brigade major, Jullundur; date of arrival at Bombay Oct. 30.

No. 995.—The following orders, issued by the resident at Hyderabad, are confirmed:—

No. 203.—Dated Nov. 8.—Confirming regtl. order issued by the officer comdg. 2nd cav. Hyderabad contingent, dated Nov. 1, directing Lieut. and offic. paid doing duty officer G. B. Farrington to offic. as adjt. from that date until the arrival of Lieut. Macnaghten.

No. 204.—Dated Nov. 15.—Confirming the regtl. order issued by the officer comdg. 2nd cav., Hyderabad contingent, directing Lieut. W. H. Macnaghten,

paid doing duty officer, to offic. as adjt. of the corps from Nov. 8 until further orders.

Nov. 19.—No. 209.—Replacing the services of Lieut. W. Tweedie 1st cav., Hyderabad contingent, for military duty, from Nov. 18, the date on which he was relieved from civil employ.

No. 210.—Confirming the regimental order issued by the officer comdg. the 1st inf. Hyderabad contingent, dated Nov. 3, directing Lieut. A. C. Have-lock to act as 2nd in com. in addition to his own duties as adjt. from that date, until further orders, on the departure of Capt. Teed on m.c.

No. 996.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on m.c.:—Lieut. T. Lowndes, of the Madras staff corps, dist. superint. of police, British Burmah.

No. 997.—The undermen. officers are perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence m.c.:—

Lieut. col. W. E. Morton, of the R.E., chief engr. and secy. to Govt., Public Works Dept., N.W.P., for 15 mo., under the new regs.

Lieut. col. B. Boyd, of the Bengal inf., comdt., 30th regt. N.I., for 20 mo., under the old regs.

No. 998.—The serv. of Lieut. L. C. Gordon, of the royal engra., are placed at the disp. of the public works dept.

No. 999.—Mr. A. P. Simkins, asst. accountant gen., milly. dept., is permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave on m.c. for 15 mos., commencing from the date of his embark. under the revised uncovenanted absentees rules.

No. 1,002.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to app. Maj. G. B. Malleon, staff corps, to be a member of the sanitary commission from the date on which Maj. C. K. Croses, H.M.'s 52nd light inf., may embark with his regt. for Eur., as a tempy. arrangement, until further orders.

No. 1,003.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 999, of this date, H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to app. Mr. G. Fitzgerald to offic. as asst. accountant gen., milly. dept., during the absence of Mr. A. P. Simkins on leave, or until further orders.

Dec. 9.—No. 1,004.—The serv. of Surg. W. B. Beatson, M.D., of the medical dept., are placed, temporarily, at the disp. of the Govt. of Bengal.

No. 1,005.—The G.G.O. No. 883 of Nov. 10, 1864, placing the serv. of Asst. surg. W. C. Smith, M.D., of the medical dept., in medical charge of the 33rd (the Allahabad) regt. native inf., at the disp. of the Govt. of the North-Western Provinces, is can.

No. 1,006.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on leave of absence on m.c.:—

Capt. J. R. G. Magrath, of the Madras staff corps, offic. payma., Pegu div., for 10 mos.

No. 1,009.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council pleased to make the following appts.:—

Punjab Irregular Force.
3rd Sikh Inf.—Maj. D. Mocatta, 2nd in com. and wing officer, to offic. as comdt. during the absence of Lieut. col. Renny on sick leave, or until further orders.

Lieut. B. R. Chambers, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer.

Lieut. F. T. Bainbridge, doing duty officer, 1st Sikh inf., to offic. as wing officer, v. Lieut. Chambers, app. to offic. as 2nd in com.

Dec. 10.—The services of the Rev. C. W. Cahusac are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the N.W.P., and those of the Rev. R. A. H. Norman at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

Dec. 13.—No. 6,495.—The undermen. gentlemen app. by the Secy. of State for India members of H.M.'s civil service on the Bengal estab., reported this day their arrival at the Sand Heads on the 28th ult., viz.:—

Messrs. R. F. Rumpini, F. W. R. Fryer, G. J. Nicholls, W. F. Meres, R. W. Trafford, C. M. Rivaz, and J. M. Pears.

No. 6,496.—Consequent on the death of Mr. F. F. Clough, superint. of police, 3rd grade, British Burmah (lost in the *Persia*), on Oct. 5, the foll. proms. are made, with effect from the 6th idem, viz.:—

Mr. J. Davis, asst. superint. of police, to be superint. of police, 3rd grade.

Mr. L. Anderson, offic. asst. superint. of police, to be confirmed in that appointment.

Dec. 14.—No. 6,557.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased, under Sec. XII. of the Covenanted Civil Service Absentee Rules, to grant to the Hon. F. B. Kemp, Puisne Judge of the High Court, leave for 3 mo., with effect from the 12th prox.

No. 6,558.—The services of Col. H. Bruce, C.B., insp. gen. of police in India, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal, with a view to his appt. as insp. gen. of police in the Lower Provinces.

No. 6,559.—Mr. H. B. Riddell reported his return to India from furl. on Nov. 30.

No. 6,559a.—Mr. H. B. Riddell is app. to be director gen. of the Post-office in India.

No. 6,560.—Mr. A. M. Monteath, on being relieved by Mr. Liddell, will revert to his appt. of under sec. to the Govt. of India in the home dept.

Dec. 15.—No. 6,561.—The Gov. gen. in Council has been pleased to grant to Mr. A. M. Monteath, under sec. to the Govt. of India in this dept., leave of absence for 2 mo.

No. 6,562.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest Mr. W. Hutton, prob. extra asst. comr. of Oudh, with the powers of a subord. mag. of the 1st class.

Dec. 16.—No. 6,564.—Capt. C. R. Shaw, sen. asst. comr., 1st grade, in Oudh, now on sick leave, is app. cantonment mag. of Lucknow, from such date as he may, after his return to India, be enabled to enter upon the duties of that office.

Capt. W. T. McGrigor, cantonment mag. of Fyzabad, will assume charge from Capt. H. S. V. Fisher, of the office of cantonment mag. of Lucknow, and offic. in that app. until relieved by Capt. Shaw.

Capt. H. S. V. Fisher, who was app. cantonment mag. of Lucknow by orders of Oct. 22, No. 6,013, assumed charge of that office on Sept. 27 last, and will continue to discharge its duties until relieved by Capt. McGrigor, when Capt. Fisher will revert to his duties as asst. comr. of the 1st class in Oudh.

No. 6,567.—Capt. C. F. Sharpe, dist. supt. of police, Gonda, has obtained priv. leave of absence from the 10th inst. to Jan. 16 next.

No. 6,569.—Mr. M. P. Hanken to be asst. dist. supt. of police in the Central Provs.

Dec. 16.—No. 6,570.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the following officers in the Central Provinces with the powers of a subord. mag. of the 1st class, described in chapter 2, section 22 of Act XXV. of 1861:—

Lieut. H. J. Lugard, asst. comr.

Lieut. T. H. B. Brooke, asst. comr.

Lieut. J. W. Macdonnell, asst. comr.

Lieut. J. Temple, asst. comr.

EMPLOYMENT OF MILITARY OFFICERS IN THE CIVIL SERVICE.

Foreign Dept., Fort William, Dec. 5.

No. 1,484.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Govt. of India, in the Foreign Dept.

Read an extract from the proceedings of Govt., in the Home Dept., No. 3,189, dated Oct. 5, submitting, for future consideration, rules for the future employment of military officers in the Civil and Political Depts. of the Govt.

Observations.—The Governor-general in Council observes that under the rules laid down in the above communication an officer appointed to the Political Department must pass an examination in Indian History, Political Economy (Mill), Jurisprudence (Austin, Volume I., and Maine's Ancient Law), Wheaton's International Law and Aitchison's Treaties.

2. If he shall have passed in the first three subjects while in civil employment, previous to his appointment to the Political Department, he will, of course, not be required to undergo a second examination in those subjects.

3. As regards the native languages, an officer, before he can be appointed either to the Civil or to the Political Department, must have passed in Oordoo by the second or higher standard laid down in the Military Department, which appears to be for all practical purposes in political employ a sufficient test of an officer's knowledge of Oordoo.

4. The only point, therefore, which seems to remain for consideration in the Foreign Department is whether some further examination shall be required, and whether that examination shall be in some other language than Oordoo. The Governor-general in Council apprehends that, as regards political employment directly under the Government of India, the only other language of which a knowledge is essential for political employment is Persian. The Governor-general in Council is therefore pleased to direct that officers who may hereafter be appointed to political offices directly under the Government of India, or the Punjab Government, shall be required to pass, or to produce a certificate of having already passed an examination in Persian in addition to the examination in the subjects prescribed in G.O. No. 3,101, dated Oct. 5 last, in the Home Department.

Dec. 13.—No. 1,551.—Lieut. H. C. A. Szczepanski, apptd. in G.O. No. 1,501, dated Oct. 7 last,

to be an asst. comr. of the 2nd class, in the Hyderabad assigned dists., reported his arrival at Akola on Nov. 10.

No. 1,552.—Capt. W. H. Beynon, pol. agent at Jeypore, made over charge of his office, on Nov. 17, to the pol. agent at Bhurtpore, as a temp. measure, during his absence from Jeypore on duty.

No. 1,553.—Lieut. col. G. Verner, comr. of the Arracan div., in British Burmah, resumed charge of his office on Nov. 5 from Maj. R. D. Ardagh.

No. 1,554.—H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to accept the resignation by Lieut. col. S. R. Tickell of his appt. as comr. of Pegu, prep. to retiring from H.M.'s service, with effect from the date on which he was relvd. by Maj. R. D. Ardagh, viz., Nov. 19.

Maj. R. D. Ardagh, dep. comr., 1st class, in British Burmah, to be comr. in Pegu, vice Lieut. col. S. R. Tickell, with effect from Nov. 19.

APPOINTMENTS—BRITISH BURMAH.

H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following promotions in the commission of British Burmah consequent on the promotion of Maj. R. D. Ardagh:—

Maj. J. P. Briggs, dep. comr., 2nd class (abs. on sick leave), to be dep. comr., 1st class.

Mr. E. O'Riley, dep. comr., 3rd class, to be dep. comr., 2nd class.

Mr. T. Shepperd, dep. comr., 4th class (abs. on sick leave), to be dep. comr., 3rd class.

Mr. T. J. Fallon, asst. comr., 1st class, to be dep. comr., 4th class.

Capt. A. R. McMahon, supernumerary asst. comr., 1st class, and offic. dep. comr., 4th class, to be permanent in the grade of asst. comr., 1st class.

The Viceroy and Gov. Gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appts. in the commission of British Burmah:—

Lieut. C. W. Street, asst. comr., 2nd class, to offic. as dep. comr., 4th class.

Lieut. G. E. Fryer, 21st regt. Madras N.I., prob. asst. supt. of police, British Burmah, to offic. as an asst. comr.

No. 644.—H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. Gen. in Council is pleased to recognise the appt. of Mr. J. H. Brandow as consul for Hamburg at Bassein, in British Burmah.

Dec. 14.—No. 317.—Maj. W. D. Dickson, officg. cantonment mag. of Neemuch, is invested with the powers of a mag. within the Neemuch cantonment.

Dec. 15.—No. 1,580.—Mr. G. A. Boswell, extra asst. comr., 1st class, Hyderabad assigned dists., has obtained priv. leave of absence for 1 mo. from Nov. 23.

No. 1,582.—The Gov. Gen. in Council is pleased to sanction the following arrangements in the Oude commission:—

Mr. St. George Tucker, C.S., late comr. Baikwar div., and officg. comr., Khyrabad div., to be comr., Khyrabad div.

Lieut. col. L. Barrow, C.B., comr., Khyrabad div., and officg. comr., Lucknow div., to be comr., Lucknow div.

Mr. C. Currie, C.S., comr. Lucknow div., to be comr., Baiswara div.

No. 1,583.—Capt. C. E. Watson, asst. comr. 2nd class, Martaban district, British Burmah, made over charge of his office to Mr. E. O'Reilly, dep. comr., 2nd class, on Nov. 12 last, and proceeded on special duty.

No. 1,584.—Lieut. col. D. Brown, dep. comr., 2nd class, in British Burmah, made over charge of the Amherst district and treasury to Lieut. C. W. Street, asst. comr., 2nd class, as a temp. measure, on the forenoon of Nov. 24 last.

Dec. 15.—No. 3,968.—Mr. S. G. Wyatt, 1st asst. aud. gen. of India, has one mo. priv. leave, commencing from 19th inst.

Dec. 12.—No. 350.—Maj. F. Tyrrell, exec. engr., 2nd class, resumed charge of the Eastern Road div., Central Provinces, on Nov. 19.

No. 351.—Lieut. L. C. Gordon, R.E., is re-app. to the public works dept. as an asst. engr., 2nd class, and posted to the Punjab.

No. 352.—The portion of notification No. 266 of Sept. 26, 1864, appg. Lieuts. J. E. Sandeman and A. E. Downing to the public works dept. as prob. asst. engrs., is cane.

No. 353.—Capt. H. E. Quin, asst. engr., 2nd class, Punjab, having been permanently app. to the Qmr. gen.'s dept. by mil. dept. notification No. 856 of 1864, will cease to be borne on the list of public works estab.

Dec. 15.—No. 354.—The chief engineer of irrigation works in the N.W.P. will henceforth be ex-

officio and under sec. to the Govt. in the irrigation branch of the public works dept.

No. 355.—In continuation of notification No. 341 of Dec. 2, it is notified that the undermentioned officers were relieved of the charge of their respective appointments on the date specified opposite their names:—

Lieut. C. H. Luard, asst. principal of the Thomason College, on Nov. 6.

Lieut. W. Jeffreys, exec. engr., Allyghur div. Ganges Canal, on Nov. 11.

Dec. 12.—No. 1,011.—The services of Capt. H. A. Prinsep, of the late 3rd Eur. regt., officg. cantonment mag. of Agra, are replaced at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C. from the date he was relieved by Major Warde.

No. 1,012.—The underment. officer has reported his return from England:—

Capt. C. K. M. Walter, of the Bengal staff corps, political agent, Bhurtpore, date of arrival at Fort William, Oct. 13, 1864.

Dec. 13.—No. 1,013.—Major (brevet lieut. col.) D. C. Shute, of the late 19th regt. N.I., dep. asst. qmr. gen., Lahore div., is allowed leave of abs. from Nov. 15, 1864, to Jan. 15, 1865, to visit Bombay, prep. to applying for leave to Europe on m.c., under the new regs.

No. 1,014.—The services of Asst. surg. F. Parsons, late in med. charge of the 5th Punjab inf., are at his own request placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C., with effect from the date on which he joined the field hospital at Nowakilla in Dec. 1863.

No. 1,015.—The services of Lieut. H. U. Smith, of the late 46th regt. N.I., offic. insp. in the dept. of public instruction, Kumaon circle, are replaced at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C., with effect from the date of Capt. (brev. maj.) E. Smyth's return from leave.

No. 1,016.—The services of Lieut. G. E. Reade, of the gen. list, inf., A.D.C. to his honor the Lieut. gov., are replaced at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C., with effect from the date of expiry of the leave granted him in N.W.P. notification, No. 3,198a, dated Oct. 10 last.

Dec. 14.—No. 1,017.—The underment. officer is admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the date specified opposite to his name, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India:—

Lieut. E. Newbery, of the late 6th Eur. regt., asst. district supt. of police, 1st class, Delhi div., from Aug. 1, 1863.

No. 1,018.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Eur. on m.c.:—Maj. B. P. Lloyd, of the Bengal staff corps, comr., Jhansie div., for 20 mo.

No. 1,020.—Lieut. H. C. Davies, of the 29th regt. Madras native inf., has leave of absence from Nov. 1, 1864, to Bombay, prep. to applying for leave of absence on m.c. to Eur. under the new regulations.

No. 1,022.—The undermentioned 2nd class sub assts. are prom. to the grade of 1st class sub assts. in the great trigonometrical survey, with effect from 1st inst.:—

Messrs. F. Ryall, G. W. E. Atkinson, and G. A. Auding.

No. 1,023.—The underment. officers having completed 26 years' service, 8 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be lieut. cols. from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Major (brev. col.) A. Fytche, Dec. 11.

Major E. L. Dennys, Dec. 11.

Major G. C. Hatch, Dec. 12.

No. 1,024.—The underment. officers having completed 20 years' service, 6 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be majors from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. W. E. Marshall, Dec. 9.

Capt. (brevet major) T. James, Dec. 10.

Capt. J. A. Tytler, v.c., Dec. 10.

Capt. R. J. D. Ferris, Dec. 10.

Capt. F. J. Stephenson, Dec. 10.

No. 1,025.—The underment. officer has reported his return from England:—

Lieut. C. E. Bates, of the Bengal staff corps, date of arrival of Bombay, Nov. 29.

No. 1,026.—The servs. of the underment. officers are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Fort. St. George:—

Major C. M. Shakespear, of the Madras staff corps, dep. comr., 3rd class, Central Provs.

Capt. W. S. Macleod, of the 1st Madras L.C.,
asst. comr., 2nd class, Central Provinces.

No. 1,027.—The services of Capt. R. C. Stewart,
of the late 8th Madras L.C., aide de camp to H.E.
the Gov. gen. of Fort St. George, are placed temp.
at the disposal of the foreign dept.

No. 1,028.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is
pleased to make the following appt. :—

Stud Dept.—Asst. surg. P. Mathew, M.B., att.
to the 2nd N.L.I., to the medical charge of the
Buxar and Kurrutadhee stud depots, v. Asst. surg.
Byrne, dec.

Dec. 15.—No. 1,029.—The undermen, officers are
perm. to proceed to Europe on leave of absence
m.c. :—

Lieut. C. R. Cock, of the late 20th regt. N.I., for
20 mo., under new regs.

Asst. surg. J. C. Annealey, of the medical dept.,
civil asst. surg., Jhansie, for 18 mo., under new
regs.

No. 1,030.—The following proma. and altera-
tions of rank are made, subject to H.M.'s ap-
proval :—

Cadre of the late 4th E.L. Cav.—Lieut. H. B.
Lockwood, to be capt., from Oct. 6, 1864, v. Capt.
H. M. Caulfield, cadre of the late 4th Eur. L.C.,
drowned at sea by the loss of the str. *Persia*.

Cadre of the late 2nd E.B. Fus.—Lieut. (brev.
capt.) J. T. Harris (staff corps), to be capt., from
Aug. 10, 1863, v. Capt. the Hon. F. B. Best, cadre
of the late 2nd Eur. Bengal fus., ret., and Lieut. A.
Willes (capt. in the 104th foot), to be capt., from
Dec. 24, ditto; Maj. M. R. Nightingale, staff corps,
a capt. in cadre of late 2nd Eur. Bengal fus., ret.

Cadre of the late 11th N.I.—Lieut. (brev. capt.)
T. M. Shelley to be capt., from March 31, 1864, v.
Capt. F. A. Sage, ret.

Cadre of the late 12th N.I.—Lieut. W. A. Franks
to be capt., from July 16, ditto, v. Maj. R. R.
Adams, staff corps, prom. in cadre of late 12th N.I.

Bengal Inf.—Maj. (brev. lieut. col.) G. R. Cook-
son (cadre of the late 4th N.I.), to be lieut. col.,
from Aug. 4, ditto, v. Lieut. col. (brev. col.) R.
Garrett, Bengal Inf., dec.

Cadre of the late 4th N.I.—Capt. O. J. McL.
Farrington (maj. in the staff corps), to be maj.,
from 4th ditto, v. Maj. (brev. lieut. col.) G. R.
Cookson, prom., and Lieut. C. F. Packe (capt. in the
staff corps), to be capt., from 4th ditto, v. Maj. O.
J. L. McCarrington, staff corps, prom. in cadre of
late 4th N.I.

Bengal Inf.—Maj. (brev. lieut. col.) A. Boyd,
cadre of late 2nd Eur. Bengal fus., to be lieut. col.
from 5th ditto, v. Brig. gen. Sir N. B. Chamber-
lain, K.C.B., Bengal Inf., prom. to maj. gen.

Cadre of late 2nd E.B. Fus.—Capt. G. Gaynor
(maj. in 104th foot), to be maj., from Aug. 5 ditto,
v. Brev. Lieut. col. A. Boyd, prom.; and Lieut. K.
J. W. Coghill (capt. in staff corps), to be capt. from
5th ditto, v. Maj. G. Gaynor, 104th foot, prom. in
cadre of late 2nd Eur. Bengal fus.

Cadre of late 1st E.B. Fus.—Lieut. C. MacFar-
lane (capt. in staff corps), to be capt. from 23rd
ditto, v. Capt. R. J. F. Hickey, 101st foot, cadre of
late 1st Eur. Bengal fus., ret.

Cadre of the late 46th N.I.—Lieut. W. P. Conolly
(capt. in the staff corps), to be capt. from Sept. 16,
v. Capt. J. H. Speke, dec.

Cadre of the late 44th N.I.—Capt. G. F. Car-
negie (major in the staff corps), to be major from
Oct. 11, v. Major H. R. James, C.B., dec.; and Lieut.
H. N. Noble (staff corps) to be capt. from Oct. 11,
v. Major G. F. Carnegie (staff corps), prom. in cadre
of late 44th N.I.

Cadre of the late 40th N.I.—Lieut. (brevet capt.)
H. E. Waller, to be capt. from Nov. 6, v. Capt. E.
G. Stone, dec.

Alterations of Rank.

Cadre of the late 11th N.I.—Capt. (brevet maj.)
F. W. Graham (staff corps), from Sept. 17, 1863, v.
Capt. (brevet major) C. P. St. J. Law, retired.

Cadre of the late 12th N.I.—Capt. P. S. Yorke,
from Dec. 24, 1863, v. Capt. J. T. S. Hall, retired.

No. 1,031.—The services of Staff surg. D. F.
Reunle, M.D., H.M.'s service, employed on special
duty as the presy., are placed temp. at the disposal
of H.E. the C. in C.

Dec. 16.—No. 1,034.—The undermentioned offi-
cers have reported their return from England :—

Maj. R. W. Chambers, Bengal staff corps, and
Lieut. C. Key, gen. list, inf., date of arrival at Fort
William, Dec. 13.

Leave of Absence, C.S.

Dec. 16.—No. 3,980.—The Gov. gen. in Council
is pleased to direct the publication of the following
despatch from the Rt. Hon. the Sec. of State for
India and of its enclosure :—

From H.M.'s Sec. of State for India, to H.E. the
Right. Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council
(Financial), No. 262, dated Nov. 7.

Sir,—I have received your financial letter of
March 23 last, No. 47, forwarding papers containing
the opinions of the members of your Government,
and of the local Governments, on the subject of the
rules for the grant of leave of absence and furlough
to members of the Covenanted C.S., and I proceed
to convey to you the decision of H.M.'s Govern-
ment on the subject, after a careful consideration of
the arguments put forward in the several letters and
minutes which accompanied your letter.

2. In rule 1 it is laid down that when a civil
servant, on taking his furlough, has declared whether
it is for one, one and a-half, two, or three years,
"the term cannot afterwards be altered." This
rule may be modified as follows :—"And the term
can only be altered with the permission of the Local
Government."

3. It was not the intention of Her Majesty's Gov-
ernment that preparatory leave should be withheld
from an officer when about to take his furlough and
the following rule may, therefore, be inserted after
Rule 2 :—"For the interval elapsing between de-
parture from station and the commencement of
reckoning absence on furlough, and between the
end of reckoning absence on furlough and re-arrival
at station, the absentee shall be allowed special leave,
calculated at the rate of one day for every ten miles
to be travelled, except when railways or steam-
boats are available when one day for every 100
miles only will be allowed (or the time actually oc-
cupied in the voyage when its duration exceeds the
time calculated at the rate of 109 miles a day), with
seven days at the port of embarkation, provided that
a period of three months shall in no case be ex-
ceeded, and that the time claimed shall have been
spent *bona fide* in progress between the place of
departure and the place of destination, and during
that period the absentee will be entitled to draw a
moiety of his allowance."

4. Rule 5 provides for the grant of leave of
absence "to any place in India or the seas adjacent"
for 1 month in each calendar year, without deduction
from the emoluments of the civil servant taking
such leave. The intention of the rule, as laid down
in section XII. of the old furlough rules, was to
provide for every officer having a vacation in the
course of each year, but as it might occasionally
happen that a civil servant would not be able to
obtain leave of absence without detriment to the
public service, and as it was desirable that in such
a case he should not be placed in a worse position in
consequence of the faithful discharge of his duties,
the privilege was granted of accumulating this leave
to a maximum of 3 months in three years. It was
not intended that, by accumulating 3 months, and
adding to that time an additional month without
pay, which was named (with the view, as Mr. Har-
rington rightly expresses it, "to guard against acci-
dents or unexpected detentions") as the maximum
period in excess of the leave within which an officer
must rejoin his appointment, he should be enabled
to visit England, while retaining his office and full
allowances. For such purposes full provision is
made in the rules for furlough and for leave on
urgent private affairs. Her Majesty's Government
however will not object to omit the words "to any
place in India or the seas adjacent," thereby leaving
it optional in the civil servants to spend their pri-
vilege leave where they please.

5. As regards rule 7, the interpretation placed
upon it by the Government of the North West
Provinces is correct. The wording appears to be
sufficiently explicit. When an "accumulation" of
short leave is due to a civil servant, and only a
"portion" thereof is taken, he may, with the per-
mission of the Government, take the remainder at
a subsequent time. A rule respecting the "ac-
cumulation" of leave could not be intended merely
to refer to the division of "one month" into instal-
ments.

6. In rule 8, after the words "on his return to
leave," the following clause may be inserted, "For
the interval elapsing between the departure from
station and the commencement of reckoning this
leave, and between the end of reckoning this
leave at a re-arrival at station, special leave may be
granted in the same manner as is authorised with
regard to furlough."

7. H.M.'s Government do not think it advisable
that the leave of absence on urgent private affairs,
with retention of office, should be granted more
than once, or that it should count as residence in
India, and they must decline to alter rule 8 in this
respect.

8. As regards the leave on medical certificate, it

is very objectionable that civil servants should be
absent from India for long periods retaining their
appointments, the duties of which cannot, in all
cases, be carried on with the same efficiency by
officers who are only temporarily officiating for the
absentees. As, however, it may frequently be of
great advantage to a civil servant that he should
be enabled to be absent from India for a second hot
season, her Majesty's Government will grant to an
officer, on the production of the necessary medical
certificates, extensions of his leave, with retention
of office and half salary, to a maximum of twenty
months from its original commencement, provided
that the total period of absence with allowances
shall not exceed three years in all, of which not
more than two years and a half shall be on half
salary, with retention of office. Sections XI. and
XII. have been altered accordingly.

9. It must be understood that the new rules do
not repeal those hitherto in force for regulating
deputation allowances, and for limiting the period
of service.

10. The modifications in the rules which are au-
thorised in this despatch will render necessary an
alteration in the numbers of the sections of the new
rules, and I therefore forward a corrected copy of
the regulations, which I request your Govt. to pub-
lish and bring into operation with as little delay as
possible.

[Here follows the corrected copy of the regula-
tions as published in India.]

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Bombay Castle, Dec. 8.—No. 604.—Lieut. col.
Phayre is app. a member of the sanitary commis-
sion for so long as his other duties allow of per-
sonal communication with the president.

Dec. 10.—No. 606.—The following officers having
applied for admission to the staff corps under the
provisions of para. 2 of G.O.G.I. No. 581, dated
June 27, 1864, are appointed to the Bombay staff
corps from the date specified opposite their names,
subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secretary of
State for India :—

Lieut. W. F. F. Waller, 25th N.L.I., Adj. Kola-
poor inf., Feb. 29; Lieut. W. Scott, 19th N.I., Adj.
19th N.I., Jan. 1; Lieut. A. J. Bannerman, 9th N.I.,
3rd squadron officer 2nd Central India horse, Nov. 8;
Lieut. J. B. Hennell, gen. list, quarterm., 18th
N.I., Jan. 1.

Dec. 12.—No. 607.—The underment. officer, who
retired from the service on Dec. 31, is promoted to
maj. by brevet, in accordance with para. 69 of the
Despatch from the Rt. hon. the Secy of State for
India, No. 194 of June 17, subject to H.M.'s ap-
proval :—

Capt. J. Rose (maj. in the staff corps), Cadre 3rd
Eur., Feb. 18.

No. 608.—The following officers are allowed furl.
to Eur. for 20 mos., on m.c. :—

Lieut. col. W. R. Dickinson, royal (Bombay)
engrs., superintending engr., presy. div.

Lieut. col. S. Thacker, H.M.'s 21st regt. N.I.

Maj. E. P. Arthur, staff corps, political superint.
Pahlanpore.

Lieut. J. Becke, H.M.'s 4th regt. N.I. (rifle corps).

Dec. 13.—No. 610.—Brig. gen. F. Adams, C.B.,
H.M.'s 28th regt., has leave of absence from the
date of making over charge of the Belgaum brigade
to Col. T. Williams, C.B., H.M.'s 4th (or King's
Own) regt., to proceed to the pres., prep. to em-
barkation to England.

Dec. 14.—No. 616.—Capt. A. R. Hoskins, R.A.,
is app. prob. 3rd class comy. of ordnance.

No. 616.—The underment. officer having com-
pleted 26 years' service, eight of which were on
permanent staff employ, to be lieut. col. from the
date specified, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16,
1861, subject to H.M.'s approval :—

Maj. J. S. Kemball, Dec. 11.

No. 617.—The underment. officers having com-
pleted 20 years' service, six of which were on per-
manent staff employ, to be majors, from the date
specified, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861,
subject to H.M.'s approval :—

Capt. A. F. Battye, Dec. 10.

Capt. W. Y. H. Shortt, Dec. 10.

No. 618.—The foll. extract from div. orders by
Maj. gen. Sir C. T. Van-Straubenzee, K.C.B., com.
northern div., dated Dec. 1, is confirmed :—

Maj. R. P. Warden, paymr. N.D.A., having been
reported sick and unable to return to his duty, Maj.
Farquharson, H.M.'s 20th regt. N.I., will, subject to
confirmation, continue to act as paymr. without
prejudice to his duties as 2nd in com. of the 20th

regt., from Nov. 25, the date of the expiration of the 60 days' priv. leave on which Maj. Warden proceeded to Bombay.

No. 619.—The following officer having applied for admission to the staff corps under the paras. 2 and 7 of G.O.G.I. No. 531, dated June 27, is app. to the Bombay staff corps from the date specified opposite his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secy. of State for India:—

Lieut. G. F. Bryant, gen. list, prob. comist. dept., from Jan. 27, 1863.

No. 620.—The following officers having applied for admission to the staff corps under the provisions of para. 2 of G.O.G.I. No. 531, dated June 27, are app. to the Bombay staff corps from the date specified opposite their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secy. of State for India:—

Lieut. H. Phillips, cadre 29th N.I., 3rd squadron officer 2nd regt. L.C., from July 17, 1863.

Lieut. G. B. Simpson, 25th N.I., comdg. 2nd company sappers and miners, from Nov. 13, 1862.

Lieut. J. Jopp, cadre 29th N.I., adj. 18th regt. N.I., from May 7, 1863.

Dec. 13.—No. 82.—The app. of Maj. Thacker to be acting marine examr., notified in G.O. No. 29, dated Nov. 28 last, takes effect from the 10th idem.

Dec. 14.—Mr. G. H. Johns, asst. to the coll. and magis. of Kaira, is invested with the powers under sec. 38 of the code of criminal procedure.

The Hon. the Gov. in Council is pleased to accept the resignation of Mr. W. Crawford, from the 18th inst., of his apps. of sen. magis. of police and comsnr. of police, Bombay.

Mr. N. W. Oliver and Mr. F. H. Souter are confirmed in their resp. apps. of sen. magis. of police and comsnr. of police, Bombay, from the above date.

Dec. 10.—Messrs. M. B. Baker and G. Cordeaux, of the C.S., are placed under the col. of Sattara for the purpose of prosecuting their studies in the Hindoostanee language.

Dec. 12.—Mr. A. S. Bulkley to be settmt. officer, v. Capt. R. R. Wallace.

Dec. 14.—Mr. J. Macfarlan to act as 1st asst. to the col. and mag. of Kulladghee, until further orders.

Dec. 14.—Capt. J. H. P. Malcolmson, R.A., is apptd. a 2nd class asst. eng. from Nov. 26.

Lieut. col. J. Jones, R.E., exec. eng. Bombay def., assumed temp. charge of the office of the suptng. eng. presy. div. on the 8th inst.

Lieut. col. A. De Lisle, R.E., is apptd. an exec. eng. of the 1st class, and to be act. suptng. eng. of the presy. div.

Lieut. H. Doveton, R.E., apptd. an asst. eng. of the 1st class, and a special asst. eng., to be employed under the exec. eng. Bombay def.

Dec. 15.—No. 121.—Asst. surg. C. Johnson, civ. surg., Kaira, is allowed two mos. leave of absence from 12th inst. to proceed to Bombay, for the purpose of appearing before the examination committee in the native languages, his duties during his absence being performed by Asst. surg. Riddell, gen. duty northern div.

No. 122.—Asst. surg. Shepherd, civ. surg., Surat, is allowed priv. leave of absence for two mos., from date of departure, to proceed to Bombay and the Deccan, his duties during his absence being performed by Asst. surg. Rogers, 12th regt. N.I.

No. 123.—Surg. Hyslop delivered over medical charge of the county gaol and house of correction to Surg. Nicholson, and the duties of coroner's surg. to Asst. surg. Hewlett, on the 13th inst.

Kandeish Districts, Camp Pachora, Dec. 6.—Maj. J. H. Henderson gave over charge of the Tanna police to the acting 1st asst. magis. of Tanna on 29th ult.

Commissioner's-office, Kurrachee, Dec. 16.—Maj. Widdicombe and Mr. C. A. Middleton respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of judge and session judge of Kurrachee on 8rd inst., during office hours.

It is hereby notified that the undermentioned officer in the Shikarpoor magisy. is authorised to exercise the powers specified against his name in relation to the code of criminal procedure:—

Lieut. R. J. Crawford, dep. magis., magis. with full powers.

It is hereby notified that the undermentioned officer in the Kurrachee magisy. is authorised to exercise the powers specified against his name in relation to the code of criminal procedure:—

Capt. E. W. Trevor, dep. magis., magis. with full powers.

Promotion.
Lieut. (capt. in the staff corps) I. F. Chapman, to have the position of capt., from July 16. v. C. F. Grant, promoted.

General List.—Adjustment of Ranks.

Lieut. H. S. Tandy, infantry, from Aug. 12, 1862, v. Lieut. J. Clement (staff corps), 3rd regt. N.I., promoted.

Lieut. R. Hennell, infantry, from Aug. 23, 1862, v. Lieut. R. G. H. Johnstone (staff corps), 13th regt. N.I., resigned.

Lieut. J. E. Gordon, infantry, from Sept. 30, 1862, v. Lieut. W. Y. H. Shortt (staff corps), 22nd regt. N.I., promoted.

Lieut. W. S. Hore, infantry, from Oct. 5, 1862, v. Lieut. S. Cousins, 13th regt. N.I., promoted.

Lieut. G. R. B. Drummond, infantry, from Jan. 27, 1863 (being one year from date of first commission), v. Lieut. W. Lumsden, 22nd regt. N.I., ret.

No. 633.—Surg. maj. J. Peet, m.d., is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 2 years, from Jan. 14, under the new furl. regulations.

No. 637.—The undermen. officer having completed 12 yrs. service, to be capt. by brev. from the date specified under para. 69 of the despatch from the Right hon. the Secy. of State for India No. 194, subject to H.M.'s approval:—Lieut. J. C. D. S. Moray, staff corps, Dec. 10.

Dec. 21.—Capt. L. C. Barton has been confirmed in the appt. of political agent in the Rewa Kanta, with effect from July 11.

Dec. 20.—Lieut. W. H. Wilson, asst. superint. of police at Broach, is invested with the powers of a subord. mag. of the 1st class in the Surat dist.

Dec. 21.—Mr. A. L. Spens, acting senior asst. judge and session judge of Broach, is allowed priv. leave for 3 mo. from March 1 next.

Mr. J. King acted as judge and session judge of Ahmedabad from April 11 to May 10, and from May 14 to June 2, in each case both days inclusive.

Mr. J. MacFarlan, acting 1st asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kulladghee, is vested with the powers of a mag. under the Code of Criminal Procedure in the Kulladghee dist.

The hon. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following appts.:

Maj. T. Thatcher, to be superint. of police at Surat, v. Capt. Carr, dec.

Capt. T. G. Coles, to be superint. of police at Ahmedabad, v. Maj. Thatcher.

These appts. to have effect from the date of Capt. Carr's giving over charge at Surat.

Mr. G. Blackwell has been apptd. to act as 4th class asst. comr. of Customs, salt, and opium, from the 7th inst.

Mr. J. R. Daniel, of the Madras civil service, to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of Dharwar.

Dec. 17.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to authorise the designation of Asst. Conservator of Forests being changed to that of Dep. Conservator of Forests.

Dec. 21.—Mr. J. R. Arthur has been apptd. private secy. to H.E. the Gov., from the 16th inst.

Asst. surg. F. S. Stedman, surg. to H.E. the Gov., held the office of private secy. to H.E. from the 14th ult. to the 16th inst., in addition to his other duties.

Dec. 16.—Capt. J. H. White, R.E., is apptd. an exec. engr. of the 3rd class, and to be exec. engr. for irrigation, Khandeish.

The services of Lieut. R. P. Pennefather, R.E., are replaced at the disposal of the Govt. of Fort St. George.

The Hon. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the foll. appts. in the public works dept.:

Mr. G. Elander, special asst. engr., to be an exec. engr. of the 4th class, with effect from Sept. 9 last.

Lieut. T. F. Dowden, R.E., special asst. engr., to be an exec. engr. of the 4th class, and to be deputed for special duty to Rutnagherry.

Capt. J. M. Greig, R.E., to be an exec. engr. of the 1st class, with effect from Nov. 1 last.

Lieut. P. Phelps, R.E., to be an exec. engr. of the 3rd class, with effect from Nov. 1 last.

1st class Asst. Engrs. Messrs. C. S. Fahey and W. J. Fahie to be special asst. engr.

2nd class asst. engr.:

Lieut. G. M. Cruikshank, R.E.,

Lieut. E. D. O. Twemlow, R.E.,

Lieut. S. Jacob, staff corps,

Lieut. A. Parnell, R.E.,

Lieut. G. G. Rigby, R.E.,

Mr. W. C. L. Brown,

to be 1st class engr., from Nov. 1 last.

2nd class Asst. Engr. Mr. F. B. Walker to be 1st class engr., from Nov. 8 last.

Dec. 21.—Lieut. col. A. De Lisle, R.E., assumed charge of the office of the suptng. eng. presy. div., on Dec. 16.

Dec. 19.—The Ven. M. J. T. Boys, Archdeacon of Bombay, is permitted to retire from the service from the 29th inst.

Dec. 21.—Mr. E. A. Little has been apptd. offic. eductl. inspec. of the southern div.

Surg. G. R. Ballingal, m.d., and Asst. surg. J. T. Mackenzie, m.s., gave over and received charge of the duties of prof. of surg. in the Grant Med. Col. on the 18th inst.

Surg. J. Peet, princel. Grant Med. Col., received charge of the duties of prof. of midwifery from Dr. Hyslop on the 13th inst.

Mr. W. Draper held charge of the office of eductl. inspec., cent. div., from 1st to 8th inst.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

DEPARTURE OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF FROM POONA FOR BOMBAY.

Adj. Gen.'s Office, Poona, Dec. 6.—The C. in C. will proceed to Bombay on the 10th inst. H.E. will be accompanied by the Assistant adjt. gen. of the Army, Assistant qmr. gen. of the Army, the Assistant adjt. gen. R.A., and his personal staff.

During the C. in C.'s residence in Bombay, heads of all departments connected with the head quarters staff will wait upon H.E. as occasion may require.

All correspondence to be addressed to Head Quarters, Poona, as usual.

Dec. 8.—No. 1,127.—H.E. the C. in C. in India has been pleased to make the following appointments until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

28th Foot.—Capt. E. O'Neill, from 45th foot, to be capt., v. Adams, who exch.; Nov. 29.

45th Foot.—Capt. T. E. Adams, from 28th foot, to be capt., v. O'Neill, who exch.; Nov. 29.

Dec. 10.—No. 1,131.—Lieut. A. G. F. Hogg, staff corps, adjt. 5th regt. N.I., is app. to act as dep. asst. qmr., on special survey duty in Central India, v. Mallaby, transf. to the Belgaum district.

Lieut. Hogg will proceed to join Maj. Baigrie at Mhow with all possible despatch.

No. 1,132.—The following medical appts. are made:—

Staff asst. surg. F. O'Dell to the charge of Poondur Sanitarium, v. O'Kearney.

Staff asst. surg. D. C. Taylor to the charge of the Colaba Sanitarium, v. O'Dell.

No. 1,133.—Orders confirmed:—

Dated Oct. 31.—By the officer comdg. 108rd foot, appg. Ens. Wood to act as qmr. to the regt., from Nov. 1, during the absence of Qmr. Daly.

Dated Nov. 25.—By the officer comdg. 4th regt. N.I. (rifles) appg. Lieut. Edwards to act as adjt. of the regt., in add. to his other duties, with effect from Nov. 25, until relieved by Lieut. Seton.

Dated Nov. 26.—By Lieut. col. Crawley, comdg. 6th dragoons, appg. Cornet T. J. Newnham, interp. to the regt., with effect from Nov. 23.

Dated Dec. 5.—By the officer comdg. 44th foot, appg. the following officers to act as a committee of paymastership during the absence on leave of Paymaster Gooch:—

President.—Brev. maj. Preston.

Members.—Capt. Walters and Capt. Bower.

Brev. maj. Preston to perform the duties of paymaster, on the responsibility of the committee.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Artillery (14th brig.), 2nd Capt. H. LeG. Geary, to England by the Overland route, m.c.

This officer is available for duty with troops, and will, on arrival, report himself to the adjt. gen., horse guards.

Leave of absence:—

Staff corps, Lieut. col. R. L. Taylor, C.B., from Nov. 25 to Dec. 24, to remain in Bombay; 17th regt. N.I., Lieut. S. A. Smith, from Dec. 1, to Dec. 30, in extns. on m.c.; 17th regt. N.I., Lieut. G. E. Blew, from Dec. 1 to Dec. 30, in extn., on m.c.; 26th regt. N.I., Surg. G. F. H. Brown, from Dec. 12, to Dec. 30, in extns. on m.c.; Gen. List, attached to 2nd gren. regt. N.I., Lieut. S. S. Dalmahoy, from Dec. 1, to Dec. 30, in extns. on m.c.

Dec. 14.—No. 1,143.—Capt. Heathcote, staff corps, on being relieved of his duties as offic. wing officer, 4th regt. N.I. (rifles), will remain attached to the regt.

No. 1,145.—Leave of absence:—

2nd L.C.—Brevet major J. Blair, v.c., from Dec. 10, 1864, to Jan. 31, 1865.

4th Foot.—Qmr. W. Connell, from Dec. 8, 1864, to Jan. 7, 1865, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to final certificate to Europe.

24th Regt. N.I.—Surg. W. Peach, m.d., from Dec. 1 to Dec. 14, 1864, in ext.

Leave of absence:—

21st Brig. Royal Art.—Brevet major T. J. Mac-lachlan, from Dec. 12, 1864, to April 12, 1865, in extension.

Dec. 15.—No. 1,146.—Under instructions from

the adjt. gen. of the army in India, Asst. surg. A. C. Gage, doing duty at Kirkee, will forthwith proceed on duty at the public expense to Calcutta, to join the A. batty. C brig. royal horse arty., to which he has been posted.

No. 1,147.—Under instructions from Horse Gds., Ensign R. L. Dickson, attached to 33rd foot, having been removed from the 28th to the 34th foot, is directed to proceed and join the latter corps forthwith.

No. 1,148.—The following G.O., by H.E. the C. in C. in India, is republished:—

Head Qrs., Camp Moulana, Nov. 9.—The following orders are confirmed:—

By H.E. the C. in C. of Bombay, dated Sept. 15 last, appg. Cornet W. J. Power, 6th drags., to offic. as instructor of musketry, during the abs. on leave of Lieut. Bennitt, with effect from July 28 last.

Dec. 17.—No. 1,154.—Principal veterinary surg. J. Collins is perm. to proceed on a tour of inspection.

No. 1,155.—Mr. Veterinary surg. H. J. Fitter is attached to the head quarters E. brig. royal horse art. at Kirkee, and will do duty under the orders of Mr. Veterinary surg. Lamb.

No. 1,156.—The following order is confirmed:—

Dated Dec. 7.—By the officer comdg. 95th foot, apptg. Ens. Aldridge asst. instructor of musketry, from the date on which Lieut. Stubbs ceased to perform the duties of that appointment.

BIRTHS.

ANDERSON.—Dec. 16, at Byculia, the wife of James, M.D., of a daughter.

BOURCHIER.—At Darjeeling, on the 6th Dec., the wife of Captain, 81st Regiment, of a son.

BRIANT.—At Futtyghur, on the 8th Dec., the wife of F. C., of a son.

BROWN.—At Khuttra, prematurely, on the 14th Dec., the wife of Captain W., Royal Artillery, of a daughter.

BROWN.—Dec. 18, at Cowasjee Patel Tank-lane, the wife of Mr. George, of a son.

BUDD.—Dec. 13, at Ahmedabad, en route to Bombay, the wife of Conductor, Commissariat Department, of a son.

BURN.—Dec. 22, at Momindabad, the wife of Dr. G. A., 4th Cavalry, Hyderabad Contingent, of a daughter.

BUNBURY.—At Morar, Gwalior, on the 7th Dec., the wife of Lieut. Henry F., Qr. M., 35th Regiment, N.I., of a son.

CABRAL.—Dec. 16, at Kurrachee, the wife of Mr. V. M., Postmaster, of a son.

CLARKE.—Dec. 12, at No. 10, Hare-street, the wife of S. E. J., of a son.

CRAWFORD.—At Umballa, on the 15th Dec., the wife of the late Major F. H., 98th Regiment, of a son.

DUGGAN.—Dec. 17, at Mazagon, the wife of Mr. R., of the V. P. S. and Foundry Company, of a daughter.

FAYRE.—At 21, Chowringhee-road, on the 9th Dec., the wife of J., M.D., of a daughter.

FEARN.—Dec. 24, at Apollo Bunder, the wife of Assistant-Apothecary W., of a son.

GILES.—Dec. 22, at Colaba, the wife of Samuel, Esq., of a son.

GILLHAN.—At 9, Government-place, on the 6th Dec., the wife of Captain F. M., of a daughter.

GARDEN.—At Saharunpore, on the 4th instant, the wife of A., M.D., Civil Assistant Surgeon, of a son.

HAMPTON.—At Sukkur, Upper Sind, on the 23rd Nov., the wife of Captain W. H., Superintendent Inland Navigation, Punjab, of a son.

HOGG.—At No. 6, Russell-street, Calcutta, on the 8th Dec., the wife of Charles Swinton, of a daughter.

HORSBURG.—At Dera Ismail Khan, on the 11th Dec., the wife of the Revd. A., Chaplain of the Derajat, of a son.

LATTEY.—At Garden Reach, on the 10th Dec., the wife of Dugald, of a son.

LAWRENCE.—At Budaon, on the 16th Dec., the wife of G. H., C.S., of a daughter.

MACDONALD.—At Rawul Pindee, Nov. 26, the wife of Surgeon Donald, M.D., H.M.'s 101st R.B.F., of a daughter.

MCCARTHY.—At Allygurh, on the 14th of Dec., the wife of Washington, of a daughter.

MANN.—At Calcutta, on the 11th Dec., the wife of E., of a son.

ODEVAINE.—At Goona, Central India, on the 17th Dec., the wife of Assistant Surgeon F., of a daughter.

PEACOCK.—At Monghyr, on the 12th Dec., the wife of F. B., C.S., of a daughter.

PEDDER.—Dec. 27, at Surat, the wife W. G., C.S., of a son.

PEREIRA.—Dec. 14, at Bellasis-road, Byculia, the wife of G. W., of a daughter.

REES.—At Simla, on the 7th Dec., the wife of W. H., of a daughter.

ROBERTSON.—Dec. 21, at Cottonville, the wife of A., of a daughter.

ROBERTSON.—Dec. 23, at the Bank of Bombay, the wife of Donald, of a son.

ROSS.—At Umballa, on the 10th Dec., the wife of Surgeon J. T. C., 21st Hussars, of a daughter.

SHEPPARD.—Dec. 15, at Malligaum, the wife of G. F., of a daughter.

SMITH.—At Bareilly, Dec. 9, the wife of Conductor J., Ordnance Dept., of a daughter.

SUTHERLAND.—At Patna, Dec. 5, the wife of Dr. John, civil surgeon, of a son.

TEELING.—At Umballa, Dec. 13, the wife of R. B., overseer, D.P.W., Lower Sirhind Division, of a son.

WALL.—At Benares, Dec. 13, the wife of T. F., surgeon, Queen's Bays, of a son.

WATHEN.—At Umritsur, on Dec. 13, the wife of the Rev. F., B.A., of a daughter.

WILLIS.—At Calcutta, on Dec. 19, the wife of Mr. Richard, of a daughter.

WILSON.—At Jullundur, on Dec. 8, the wife of Mr. Apothecary W., H.M.'s 19th regt., of a son.

MARRIAGES.

APPLETON.—HARE.—Dec. 12, at Trinity Church, Byculia, James Thorpe, to Frances, eldest daughter of Mathias Hare, LL.D., Basingstoke, Hants.

FOLEY.—THOMAS.—Robert John Foley, Esq., late H.M.'s Indian Army, to Lucy E. B. Mary Anne, eldest daughter of Lieut.-colonel C. Thynne Thomas, late of H.M.'s Indian Army, at Rewuka Nelson, New Zealand, Oct. 27.

GOODFELLOW.—CAHILL.—Dec. 12, at Dhoolia, Capt. C. A. Goodfellow, R.E., to Mary, second daughter of the late T. Staunton Cahill, Esq., M.D., of the Bombay Army.

HANNAY.—HUGHESDON.—At Saint Paul's Cathedral, on the 10th Dec., Henry Eric Sutherland, of Debroghur, Assam, eldest son of the late Colonel Simon Fraser Hannay, H.M.'s Bengal Army, to Maria Josephine, the eldest daughter of Charles Hughesdon, of Calcutta.

HIND.—ANDERSON.—Dec. 21, at St. John's Church, Colaba, Mr. J. W. Hind, to Miss Jean Celestina Anderson, only daughter of Pensioned Pilot John Anderson, Indian Navy.

MARR.—TRYPHENA.—At Meerut, on the 6th Dec., at St. Paul's Chapel, Andrew Robert Marr, to Miss Mary Tryphena.

MARSHALL.—WOODGER.—At Deyrah, on the 15th Dec., Mr. F., Medical Hall, Agra, to Eliza, second daughter of Mr. Thomas Woodger.

O'DEA.—GRICE.—At Umritsur, on the 21st Nov., Mr. M., Quarter-master General's Dept., to Mary Josephine, eldest daughter of Conductor P. Grice, Public Works' Department.

OLIVER.—BAIRD.—Dec. 15, William John, only son of John Oliver, to Mary Jane, daughter of the late Dr. James Baird.

PEMBERTON.—HASLWOOD.—Dec. 15, at Byculia Church, Lieut. C. C., Royal Artillery, son of Major-General Pemberton, Bengal Army, to Fanny Williamson, daughter of the late Major Haslwood, Bombay Army.

ROBINSON.—BELL.—Dec. 15, at Byculia Church, Mr. James, of the G. I. P. Railway Co., Hurdar, to Sarah Janet, eldest daughter of Charles Christopher Bell, Esq.

SIMMONDS.—SMITH.—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, on the 12th Dec., Mr. Charles E., to Miss Ida Rowland, second daughter of Mr. G. B. Smith.

SOLIAQUE.—ROBERTS.—At Christ Church, Bankipore, Patna, on the 12th Dec., William Leicester Ravenscroft, of Howrah, to Belassie, second daughter of Alexander Roberts, Esq., of Patna.

SUTHERLAND.—DUNNET.—At the Old Mission Church, on the 18th Dec., Henry Holmes, to Anne Sinclair, daughter of the late George Dunnet.

WOODCOCK.—WOODCOCK.—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, Dec. 1, E. M., Lieut. Bombay Staff Corps, son of the late E. E. Woodcock, Retired List, Bengal Civil Service, to Mary Anne Parry, eldest daughter of the Rev. Charles Woodcock, Vicar of Chardstock, Dorset.

DEATHS.

BARNES.—Charles Gabriel Alfred Barnes, Esq., formerly of H.M.'s 31st Regt., late Lieut. in H.M.'s 2nd Dragoon Guards (Queen's Bays), third son of Christopher Hewetson Barnes, Esq., F.R.C.S., late Surgeon H.E.I.C.S., of Belle Vue-house, Notting-hill, at Melbourne, Victoria, aged 29, Oct., 1864.

BANNISTER.—Dec. 21, at Esplanade, Bombay, Charles George Burnley Bannister, child of Lieut. George Bannister, 16th Rgt. N.I., aged 2 years, 7 months, and 8 days.

BURGESS.—Dec. 18, at 280, Middle Colaba, of diphtheria, William, eldest son of Mr. J. Burgess, aged 6 years, 1 month, and 6 days.

BURGESS.—Dec. 19, at 280, Middle Colaba, 15 hours after his brother, James Allen, second and only remaining son of Mr. J. Burgess, aged 1 year, 10 months.

BARWELL.—At Lucknow, Dec. 16, Cyril Brandram, youngest son of Lieut. col. Barwell, Asst. Adj. Gen., Oude Division, aged 15 months.

BLAKE.—At Meerut, on the 21st of November, Fanny Evelyn, the infant daughter of Sub-Conductor G. Blake, Army Commissariat Department.

BYRNE.—At Buxar, on the 25th Nov., Oscar Byrne, Esq., Assistant Surgeon, in medical charge of Buxar, and Koruntadee Studs, aged 33 years 9 months; and on the 28th Nov., at Arrah, Isabella Jane, his only child, aged 18 days.

CRAWFORD.—At Umballa, on Dec. 8, Francis William, the infant son of the late Major Crawford, 98th Regt.

CRUTCHLEY.—At Ferozepore, on Nov. 23, Arthur Bellew, the infant child of Capt. R. J. L. Crutchley, 79th Highlanders.

DAYOREN.—At Calcutta, on Dec. 8, Capt. G. T. Davoren, commander of the *Water Witch*, aged 36 years.

ENGLEBRIGHT.—At Ghazeeabad, on the 6th Dec., Hannah, the wife of Mr. John Englebright, E.I. Railway, aged 35 years.

MASFEN.—At Gondah, in Oude, on Dec 6, George Bellasis Masfen, Esq., assist. sub. opium agent, eldest son of the late John Masfen, Esq., of Stafford, aged 39 years.

MCLAUGHLIN.—At Entally, on Dec. 9, Mrs. Ann Theresa McLaughlin, aged 25 years.

MERCES.—At Calcutta, on Dec. 2, the wife of Mr. F. A. D. Mercers.

OWEN.—At Allahabad, on Dec. 13, Margaret, the wife of the Rev. Joseph Owen, of the American Presbyterian Mission.

STEPHEN.—At Meerut, Dec. 10, Fitzroy, the only son of Capt. and Mrs. F. Stephen rifle brigade, aged 2 years and 10 months.

SMITH.—At Ishera, on Dec. 4, Jane Scott, wife of Charles Smith, formerly of Dundee, and daughter of the late John Scott, Esq., merchant, Dundee.

THOMAS.—At Seebpore, on Nov. 30, Abigail, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Thomas, aged 2 years and 8 months.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c., IN H.M.'S REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA. Jan. 13.

7th Hussars.—Lieut. gen. the Earl of Rosslyn to be col., v. Gen. Sir W. Tuyl, dec.

Royal Artillery.—To be Colonels commandant: Major gen. Sir W. F. Williams, Bart., K.C.B., v. Gen. Sir G. Turner, K.C.B., dec.; Major gen. J. E. Dupuis, C.B., v. Gen. P. M. Wallace, dec.

To be Colonels: Lieut. col. and Brev. col. D. W. Paynter, C.B., v. Tulloh, C.B., removed as a general officer; Lieut. col. and Brev. col. A. T. Phillpotts, v. H. G. Teesdale, removed as a general officer; Lieut. col. and Brev. col. W. B. Gardner, v. A. A. Shuttleworth, removed as a general officer.

To be Lieut. colonels: Capt. and Brev. Lieut. col. G. H. L. Milman, v. Brev. col. Paynter; Capt. and Brev. major G. L. Chandler, v. Brev. col. Phillpotts; Capt. and Brev. Lieut. col. C. G. Arbuthnot, v. Brev. col. Gardner.

To be Captains: 2nd Capt. A. W. Pixley, v. W. R. Fitzgerald, retired on a pension; 2nd Capt. J. D. G. Higgon, v. Brev. Lieut. col. Milman; 2nd Capt. J. M. C. Vibart, v. Brev. maj. Chandler; 2nd Capt. W. Booth, v. Brev. Lieut. col. Arbuthnot; Capt. W. Delane's promotion to be antedated to May 1, 1864; Capt. E. Simeon's promotion to be antedated to July 1, 1864; Capt. T. A. J. Harrison's promotion to be antedated to Dec. 10, 1864.

To be 2nd Captains: Lieut. A. J. Wake, v. Pixley; Lieut. G. Arbuthnot, v. Higgon; Lieut. F. S. Budd, on supernum. list; Lieut. H. P. T. MacCarthy, v. H. D. Gloag, who retires on h.p.; Lieut. R. Sadleir, v. Vibart; Lieut. W. R. Barlow, v. W. J. Smith-Neill, resigned; Lieut. R. C. Smith, v. Booth; 2nd Capt. P. Thompson's promotion to be antedated to May 1, 1864; 2nd Capt. H. L. Jones's promotion to be antedated to July 1, 1864; 2nd Capt. E. C. Griffin's promotion to be antedated to July 15, 1864; 2nd Capt. C. M. Malony's promotion to be antedated to Dec. 10, 1864.

The undermentioned Gentlemen cadets from the Royal Military Academy to be Lieuts.: D. T. Webber, v. Arbuthnot; W. I. Le Breton, v. Sadleir; A. A. Newman, v. MacCarthy; F. H. Wheatley, v. Wake; C. W. Kemaway, v. Barlow; W. B. Adams, v. Smith; A. Broadfoot, J. M. Alves, G. E. Dods-worth, J. S. Quayle, and W. Cotton.

Royal Engineers.—The undermentioned lieutenants, with temporary rank, to have permanent rank: A. J. Begbie, W. R. C. Wynne, W. St. George Burke, G. F. O. Boughey, F. W. Watkins, J. Ramsay, W. F. Richardson, G. W. Archer, J. Hill, G. T. Plunkett, E. M. Larmine, B. Lonsley, H. A. Taylor, L. K. Scott, T. H. Holdich, A. B. M'Hardy, E. J. Alleyne, C. De Beauvoir Carey, W. H. Haydon, J. G. Hall, A. A. W. Beamish, H. C. Reynolds, H. C. Mac-diarmaid.

The undermentioned Gentlemen cadets from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieutenants, with temporary rank: H. H. Murphy, A. C. Alexander, A. R. Puzey, J. Matheson, and J. B. Lindsell.

BREVET.

Quartermaster J. Black, h.p. R.A., to be capt., the rank being honorary only.

The following promotions to take place consequent on the decease of—Gen. Sir G. Turner, K.C.B., R.A., Dec. 9, 1864; Gen. P. M. Wallace, R.A., Dec. 14, 1864; and Major gen. H. Palliser, R.A., Dec. 17, 1864:—

To be Generals: Lieut. gen. Sir E. C. Whinyates, K.C.B., R.A.; Lieut. gen. G. Cobb, R.A.

To be Lieut. generals: Major gen. Sir R. J. Dacres, K.C.B., R.A.; Major gen., with local rank of Lieut. gen., Sir W. F. Williams, of Kars, K.C.B., R.A.

To be Major generals: Col. A. Tulloh, C.B., R.A.; Col. H. G. Teesdale, R.A.; Col. T. A. Shone, on retired full pay R.A., having stood next above Col. Shuttleworth at the time of his retirement; Col. A. A. Shuttleworth, R.A.

To be Lieut. colonels: Brev. major E. Moubray, R.A.; Major A. Pitcairn, depot batt.

To be Majors: Capt. J. Pickard, R.M.; Capt. G. Leslie, R.A.

Jan. 17.

5th Foot.—Major gen. W. L. Dames to be col., v. Gen. W. L. Walton, dec.; Jan. 12.

Royal Artillery.—Staff Asst. surg. T. S. Barry to be asst. surg., v. G. A. Grant, dec.; Jan. 17.

18th Foot.—Gent. cadet G. W. N. Rogers, from the Royal Military College, to be ensign, by purch., v. M. A. Laing, transf. to 14th hussars; Jan. 17.

27th Foot.—Lieut. T. O. Wingate, from 74th foot, to be lieut., v. Glasgow, who exch.; Jan. 17.

60th Foot.—The surname of the ensign appointed on the 30th ult., v. Warren, prom., is Dick-Lauder, not Dick-Lander.

98th Foot.—Capt. and Brev. major E. Grantham to be major, without purch., v. F. H. Crawford, dec.; Lieut. C. H. Griffin to be capt., without purch., v. Brev. major Grantham; Ensign H. W. Roberts to be lieut., without purch., v. Griffin; Nov. 19. Ensign A. K. Abbott, from 9th foot, to be ensign, v. Roberts; Jan. 17.

Rifle Brigade.—The Hon. N. G. Lyttelton to be ensign, by purch., v. T. B. T. Hildyard, who retires; Jan. 17.

BREVET.

The following promotions to take place consequent on the death of Gen. Sir W. Tuyl, colonel of the 7th hussars, on Dec. 26, 1864:—

Lieut. gen. A. F. Macintosh, col. 93rd foot, to be gen.; Dec. 27.

Major gen. Sir W. R. Mansfield, K.C.B., col. 38th foot, promoted for distinguished service and supernumerary to the fixed establishment of general officers, to have the rank of lieut. gen.; Dec. 27.

Major gen. G. Moncrieff to be lieut. gen.; Dec. 27.

Col. J. A. Lambert, from lieut. col. grenadier gds., to be major gen.; Dec. 27.

Major W. Roberts, 28th foot, to be lieut. colonel; Dec. 27.

—Capt. M. E. Smith, unattached staff officer of the pensioners, to be major; Dec. 27.

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THE TEA DISTRICTS.

HOWEVER wonderful may be the progress of the Australian colonies, even that of Queensland is scarcely more marvellous than the rapid cultivation of the wild districts of Assam, Sylhet, and Cachar. Only a few years ago, and they were all but unknown to Europeans. Covered with dense jungles, the favourite haunt of wild animals, they seemed unfit for the habitation of civilised beings, and were regarded by the Indian Government as an inevitable incumbrance rather than as "the potentiality of growing rich beyond the dreams of avarice"—to use Dr. Johnson's description of the coppers and vats of Thrace's brewery. To Mr. Cecil Beadon, the present Lieutenant-governor of Bengal, more than to any other public man, is due the credit of being the first to appreciate the true value of these outlying provinces, and to encourage the adventurous enterprise of European colonists; for in these high-lying countries it is possible for the European to settle as he would in Canada or New Zealand. The climate, perhaps, may be somewhat moist, and there is a lack of genial society; but, on the other hand, the country is not unhealthy: there is abundance of out-of-door employment, and the prospect of positive wealth within a reasonable space of time. These considerations have not been lost upon the Anglo-Saxon. Mr. Beadon's last Report upon the Administration of Bengal shows, as in a magic lantern, what fairy-like transformations can be effected by intelligence, industry, and patience. It is, indeed, no new tale. If modern Holland, or rather if the Holland of the seventeenth century, could arise out of the fens and marshes that once responded only to the whistle of the curlew, or the boom of the bittern, there is nothing so very extraordinary in the conversion of a hilly woodland into a garden of tea plants. In any case, the results are briefly these. At the close of the last official year there were in Assam alone 320 factories, with 27,690 acres of land under tea cultivation, affording employment to some 28,000 labourers,

in addition to a host of clerks, overseers, carpenters, and contractors. The produce of these plantations is as yet comparatively small, though already valued at a quarter of a million sterling. In Cachar, again, 28,276 acres have been brought under cultivation, with nearly ten times that area now under process of reclamation. Upwards of half a million pounds of tea were gathered in the year 1863, while the crop of 1864 was estimated to yield 600,000 lbs., valued, including seed, at £165,870. During the last five years the annual expenditure on tea planting in that district alone has increased from £10,000 to £168,000. There are now about thirty European planters settled in Cachar, who employ upwards of 18,000 coolies, three-fourths of whom have been imported at the expense of the colonists. In Sylhet, little more than a commencement had been made at the time when Mr. Beadon's report was drawn up, but even then 2,320 acres had been planted out, from which it was expected that 80,000 lbs. would be gathered in the year 1864. The number of labourers was a little over 1,500. On the sides of the Darjeeling hills, however, 14,000 acres had been cleared of forest and jungle, and 9,000 covered with tea plants, which produced 83,459 lbs. in 1862, 156,430 lbs. in 1863, and were expected to yield very nearly 170,000 lbs. in the following season. Here, also, the work was chiefly done by imported coolies, of whom 7,138 were in constant employment. As this important branch of agriculture becomes more fully developed, the great difficulty will be to procure labour, and already much inconvenience has been experienced on that head, partly owing to the unwise antagonism assumed by the planters towards the Government. Whatever may be said to the contrary by the Calcutta correspondent of the leading journal in this country, it is absurd to suppose that such men as Mr. Beadon, Mr. Maine, Mr. Seton-Karr, or any other officials of real ability and experience can entertain any feelings of jealousy towards the non-official European community. At the same time their first duty is to protect the natives, not only against absolute oppression (of which there is very little danger), but also against systematic ill-treatment and abuse, which unhappily are of daily occurrence. Employers of labour do not sympathise with their workmen in India, even to the small extent that prevails in towns at home. They take no interest in the welfare of their people, nor trouble themselves to consult their wishes in small things, and so promote their comfort and cheerfulness. In short, they look upon their coolies as a clumsy mechanical contrivance, against which they are ever grumbling, but which they will not con-

cern themselves to amend and improve. Had it not been for the interference of the Government, the importation of coolies into the tea districts would soon have degenerated into a heartless slave trade, and even now the greatest vigilance is needed to prevent the ignorant peasantry from being deluded by fair words and highly-coloured assurances, into abandoning their homes in the hope of finding a humble El Dorado on the slopes of Assam, or in the jungles of Cachar. The Anglo-Saxon colonist has no doubt an "indomitable" spirit and abundance of energy, but he lacks patience and amiability, and a considerate toleration of weakness and stupidity in his servants and dependents, and hence the necessity for the interposition of a truly impartial and parental Government.

ABOLITION OF GRAND JURIES.

A few days after the arrival of the last Bombay mail there appeared a very sensible article in the leading journal ridiculing the apprehensions excited among the non-official community of Calcutta by Mr. Maine's Bill for the abolition of Grand Juries, and expressing a hope that the next mail would "inform us that European residents have returned to their right mind, ashamed of their recent violence, and that Mr. Maine's Bill has become law without a protest." That hope proved both flattering and fallacious. So far from being ashamed of their folly, the non-official inhabitants of Calcutta, if the local press, at least, truly represent their feelings, have been seized with a yet greater rage and madness, and seem bent on rendering themselves the laughing-stock of all England. And not only has that very excitable public lashed itself up to a state of unreasoning fury, but it has even succeeded in inspiring its late censor and satirist with some of its own madness. India, we are told truly enough, "is passing through a period of transition." Old things are passing away, and being rapidly replaced by new. The old lamps, however, still give a strong clear light, and there are those who would not exchange them for the more showy novelties of the present day. In former times the Indian service was somewhat of a close borough. Military men and civilians were more or less closely united by blood or marriage, represented the same interests, and were moved by the same influences. The young captain of cavalry, for example, was only a Haileybury student, who had not shown himself quite clever enough to be a judge. And these governing classes were taught to look upon India as the country of their adoption, scarcely less dear to them than the land of their birth. The natives, though highly taxed (and yet there was no income-tax in those days!) were treated considerably,

and even with deference. It was altogether a united happy family, until the apple of discord rolled into the midst of them in the form of a European adventurer. So great, indeed, was the antipathy felt by the Company for these unwelcome intruders that it maintained an enormous army of native soldiers rather than be more faithfully and securely served by European troops. Less well-informed individuals, however, than the writer of this ludicrous article have been found to assert that native levies were employed partly because they cost less money than Europeans, and partly because it was the safest means of managing a warlike population. And, further, it has been said that applications for a larger European force were more than once unfavourably received by the Horse Guards and the Home Government, and that it is quite untrue that any pressure was ever exercised upon the Company to receive into its pay a more powerful contingent of the Royal army. But what is still more strange and incredible is the grave assurance that even now the Indian Government looks with unfriendly eyes upon all classes of Europeans not in its immediate and permanent service, no matter whether they are English soldiers or independent settlers. A more mischievous and unfounded statement could hardly have been made by the most jealous and narrow-minded foreigner than what has now been published to the whole civilized world on the authority of the *Times*. The good intentions of the Home Government, we are further informed, are neutralised and rendered void by the passive resistance of the civilians. And all this arrant nonsense, all these wild fables, are given out as historic truths, because that journal chooses to draw its inspiration from an inexperienced young man, whose whole knowledge of India is derived from a twelvemonth's residence at Serampore, diversified by an occasional visit to Calcutta, and who, on his own showing, failed to discover any objection to the abolition of the Grand Jury until his non-official friends suggested that it was an insidious attempt to introduce "the thin edge of the wedge," preparatory to the repeal of Magna Charta!

Now, it so happens that this Bill, so far from being the outward and visible sign or expression of civilian antipathies, is founded on an Act of the British Parliament which contemplated the introduction into India of provincial Courts and Circuit judges, preceded by the abolition of Grand Juries. At first sight our English readers may fail to discover what possible connection there can be between these two measures. Why, they will ask, should Grand Juries be abolished previous to the establishment of a branch of the High Court at Allahabad or Lahore? The answer,

however, is easily found: it is simply this. At either of those two large stations it might be possible to obtain a sufficient number of intelligent and wealthy Europeans to constitute a Grand Jury list; but these are exceptional instances, and even the opponents of Mr. Maine's Bill are constrained to admit that it is only for the Presidency towns that they demand the preservation of this wonderful institution. That admission destroys their whole case. If, as they assert, the Grand Jury is the palladium of the rights and liberties of English settlers in India, how or why can it be dispensed with by the dwellers in Oude, Scinde, Central India, or the Punjab? There cannot be two sets of weights and measures—one for the exclusive use of those who reside within a certain radius from the Presidency towns, and another for the more enterprising adventurers whose lot is cast further a-field. And it is the latter who, one would think, must stand most in need of this protection, deprived, as they are, of the safeguard of a vigilant and influential press. It is also worthy of remark, that the Grand Juries of Madras and Bombay have followed the example of their London brethren, and presented themselves as a useless encumbrance and a nuisance. It is only in Calcutta that the non-official community—who have hitherto grumbled loudly and incessantly against the annoyance of being summoned to act as Grand Jurors—have made the notable discovery that this inestimable institution is the only barrier they have to oppose to the arrogance and antipathy of the governing class. According to the *Friend of India*, the mere fact of the Bill being unpopular is an argument against its adoption, and one that ought to be respected by the Legislature. And so it undoubtedly would be if such a thing as public opinion really existed in India, or if the English residents could adduce any sensible reasons in support of their opposition. It is not enough for them to say that they have a strong feeling or decided views upon the subject, unless they can show that that feeling and those views are not the mere offspring of prejudice and impulse. The *Friend of India*, indeed, calls upon the British Legislature to set the example by doing away with Grand Juries at home, and actually seems to think that it has marked a great point in its own favour when it reminds its readers that in declining to accede to a proposed amendment of another Bill upon a very different subject, Mr. Maine himself remarked that any alteration should first be made in England. This is a fair specimen of the style of reasoning taken up by the opponents of the new Bill. But even if Grand Juries were found to be necessary in England—which is at least very doubtful—that would be

no proof of their utility in India. It is, indeed, one of the mistakes that Englishmen never weary of repeating, that whatever laws and institutions are good for them at home, must be equally good both for themselves and their dependents everywhere else.

Again, we are told that an acquittal by a Grand Jury is a better proof of a man's innocence than if it had been established by a long and elaborate trial. It is nothing of the kind. It is only a proof that a good *prima facie* case has not been made out, which may have been owing to the committing magistrate's carelessness or incompetency quite as much as to the real merits of the case. No doubt it is far more satisfactory to the prisoner himself, because few men, liable to being suspected of a felony, can come quite unscathed out of a searching cross-examination. But it is absurd and altogether unjust to assert that a truly innocent man, the victim perchance of a conspiracy, has not better cause to rejoice over his acquittal by a special or even by a petty jury than if the Bill were thrown out by the Grand Jury. Besides, were that institution abolished, no comparison of the kind could be made.

The Calcutta Grand Jury cannot even quote its own antecedents in its favour. It cannot refer to any long list of improvements that have originated with its presentments. By Mr. Maine's showing, which is not contradicted, it has not even presented the nuisances of the city since 1818. The *Friend*, indeed, flippantly replies to this, that at that time these nuisances had not grown beyond all hope of remedy, but now they were so "inconceivably great," that a presentment would be only a waste of time to draw up or to read. Perhaps so, but would they have attained to such a "bad pre-eminence" had the Grand Jury done its duty, and presented year after year? The true purport of all this agitation, however, is disclosed in a letter addressed by Mr. J. W. B. Money to Mr. Beckwith. The handful of settlers at present scattered over Lower Bengal and its outlying tea-districts, have already begun to speak of India as a British Colony, and to look forward to the time when they will be in a position to demand what they call a "responsible government"—probably meaning a representative government. Should that hour ever strike upon the horologe of time, it will be the knell of British supremacy in the East. In their own defence the natives will be compelled to rise and throw off the intolerable yoke, rather than consent to become hewers of wood and drawers of water. The non-official residents of Calcutta resemble the English settlers in China and Japan, against whom the *Times* is ever ready to lift up its powerful voice. They care nothing for the natives of the country, and very little for public opinion

at home. Their only object is to accumulate money as rapidly as possible, and whoever would place an obstacle in their path, though in defence of justice and humanity, is pronounced an enemy of the human race. The Indian Government, we trust, will remain firm and unmoved by this wild unreasoning clamour. It cannot afford to part with a tittle of its despotic power. If once it allows itself to be swayed by pressure from without, it may as well lay down its insignia of office, and confess itself the mere executive and instrument of the Landholders' Association.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE MAHARAJAH DHULEEP SINGH.—His Highness the Maharajah Dhuleep Singh, accompanied by the Maharanee, has left Elveden, Norfolk, for Egypt. His Highness is expected to pass the winter in the East.

SPECIE TO THE EAST.—The specie taken by the Bombay mail steamer *Syria* amounts to £220,640, of which £14,000 in gold is for Alexandria, and £4,140 in gold and £202,500 in silver for Bombay.—The India and China mail steamer *Poonah* takes out specie to the value of £86,441, to be distributed as follows—viz., for Alexandria, £17,500; and for Madras, £561 in gold; and for China and the Straits, £2,000 in gold, and £66,380 in silver.

DARJEELING TEA COMPANY.—A prospectus has been issued of the Darjeeling Company, with a capital of £250,000, of which £150,000 is to be first subscribed in shares of £20. The object is to purchase two tea estates in the district of Darjeeling, containing 9,578 acres, of which 2,088 are under cultivation, the principal portion having been planted in 1862. The price to be paid is £200,000, half in cash and half in shares.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, Jan. 12.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamship *Syria*, Captain A. Parish, sailed hence to-day for Gibraltar, Malta, and Alexandria, with the Mediterranean and Bombay mails, a full cargo, and specie, jewelry, &c., value £221,739. 6s., viz.:—For Alexandria, sovereigns, £14,000; watches, £470. For Bombay, gold coin, £4,140; bar silver, £183,800; silver coin, £18,700; gold thread, watches, and jewelry, £629. 6s. The *Syria* takes out forty-one first and forty second-class passengers, and forty proceed by the corresponding steamer from Marseilles, making a total of 121. Among them are Ensign Lord G. F. Hamilton and Lieut. Molyneux, for Gibraltar; Colonel Donovan, for Malta; Earl Dudley, for Alexandria; Captain Warden, Captain and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Major and Mrs. Penton, Colonel Smythe, Rev. A. and Mrs. Robinson, Lieut. Pigott, Captain and Mrs. Hancock, and Captain Hanson, for Bombay, &c.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, Jan. 20.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamship *Poonah*, Captain Field, sailed hence to-day at three P.M. with the mails for Gibraltar, the Mediterranean, Egypt, Aden, Ceylon, India, China, Australia, and New Zealand. She took out 100 first and 35 second-class passengers, and on freight 296 boxes specie, value £93,272. The *Poonah* also took out a full cargo of general merchandise, principally Manchester goods. Amongst the passengers by this mail are Lieutenants Jolliffe, Tucker, and Hall, R.N., Major Cookson, Major Radcliffe, Lieutenant Holdich, Surgeon Reade, Dr. Chase, Lieutenant Robertson, Surgeon Hannan, Lieutenant Campbell, Rev. Mr. Owen, Lieut.-Colonel Tooke, and Captains Morris, Ward, Reade, and Millett.

BILLS ON INDIA.—The biddings for £300,000 in bills on India took place at the Bank of England on Wednesday, Jan. 18th. The proportions allotted were—to Calcutta, £165,000; to Bombay, £120,000; and to Madras, £10,100. The minimum price was as before, 1s. 11½d. on Calcutta and Madras, and 1s. 11½d. on Bombay. Tenders on Calcutta and Madras at 1s. 11½d. will receive in full, and on Bombay at 1s. 11½d. about 13 per cent. Above these prices in full. The results indicate a diminution in the demand for bills both for Calcutta and Bombay.

CONSULAR APPOINTMENTS.—The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint T. G. Knox, Esq., to be her Majesty's Consul at Bangkok, in Siam. The Queen has also been pleased to approve of M. Henri Du Chesne as Consul at Hong Kong for his Majesty the Emperor of the French.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 13. Scimitar, Calcutta; Helen Douglas, Calcutta.—16. Fontabella, Calcutta; Shakespear, Madras; Camperdown, Bombay.—17. Julia, Mauritius.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 13. Hercules, Manilla; Mandley, Bombay.—14. Refuge, Moulmein.—17. Cambridge, Calcutta; Alsager, Bombay; Arundel, Bombay; Tornado, Bombay; Reigate, Calcutta; St. Pierre, Mauritius.—18. Pride of England, Calcutta; Lady Octavia, Calcutta; Eastern Empire, Bombay.—19. Inconstant, Bombay; City of Madras, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Overland Route, Jan. 12.—For BOMBAY.—Mr. J. P. Barker, Miss M. A. Robinson, Miss E. Robinson, Capt. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mr. H. Corke, Maj. and Mrs. Penton and two infants, Mrs. Cleveland and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. H. C. McDiarmid, Miss Souter, Mr. and Mrs. Gale, Mr. J. Lloyd, Capt. Wardeau, Mr. A. Partridge, Mr. Weddle, Mrs. Burton and infant, Mr. Cooper, from Marseilles.—Rev. A. and Mrs. Robinson, Lieut. Pigott, Mr. Mackie, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Whyte, Mr. J. O'Leary, Mr. Biddulph, Mr. T. C. Vaughan, Capt. and Mrs. Hancock, Mr. Jacob, Mr. G. and Mrs. Whitley, Miss West, Mrs. Coke and infant, Mr. F. Randall, Mr. A. Harvey, Mr. A. Langdale, Capt. Hanson, Mr. F. Shaikahmed, Mr. Wood, Mr. Quatre, two Messrs. Borradaile, for ADEN.—Mrs. James, from Marseilles.—Rev. W. H. and Mrs. Cummins, for ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. L. Wilson, Miss Drummond, Mrs. Walker, Miss Douglas, from Marseilles.—Mr. and Mrs. Morrin, Abdullah Effendi, Earl of Dudley and friend, for MALTA.—Miss Pidgeon, Mr. C. W. Eeles, R.N., Miss Bland, Mrs. Eeles, Mr. Russell, Lieut. J. C. Shirley, from Marseilles.—Mr. and Mrs. Macleay, for GIBRALTAR.—ENS. Lord Hamilton, Lord Molyneux, Mr. Roberts.

Jan. 20.—For CALCUTTA.—Mrs. Cotton and child, Mr. and Mrs. D'Oyly and infant, Mrs. E. H. Wood, Maj. J. B. Cookson, Mr. E. Jones, Mrs. Pollock, Miss Thompson, Miss Taylor, Mr. B. Porter, Mr. Gubbins, Lieut. col. Foote, Maj. and Mrs. Radcliffe and infant, Mr. W. Barlow, Rev. A. Robinson, Mrs. Cramer, Mr. Girardot, Miss Rind, Lieut. Holdich, Miss Denham, Mr. A. B. Harvey, Miss K. Anderson, Mr. J. A. Beale, Mr. W. P. Wright, Mr. Trevor Lloyd, Mr. G. A. Lloyd, Mr. Milner, Surg. and Mrs. Reade and infant, Mrs. Singer, from Marseilles.—Mr. Dow, Mr. J. Manglick, Mr. F. Wigram, Lieut. P. C. Dalmahoy, Rev. J. and Mrs. Barton, Lieut. R. McKenzie, Mr. Greenishid's, Rev. A. O. Hardy, Lieut. col. Gompertz, Mr. W. M'Pherson, Mr. and Mrs. Strachey and infant, Miss Annesley, Dr. Duka, Dr. E. Taylor, Lieut. T. B. Savi, Mr. J. Sowers, Mr. Firebrace, R.E., Miss Coddington, Mr. Gould, from SUZ.—Mr. W. B. Jones, Dr. A. H. Cheke, and three ladies, for MADRAS.—Mrs. Estell and two children, Mr. S. S. Dewar, Mrs. A. P. Clark, Lieut. W. D. Robertson, Capt. Mrs. Morris, Mr. Kelday and wife, Mrs. Viceje and child, Mr. H. Cornish, Capt. and Mrs. Ward, for SINGAPORE.—Mrs. Scott, Mr. E. Hill, Lieut. Hatchett, for HONG KONG.—Mr. and Mrs. Emsden, Mrs. A. Boardman, Miss Winkworth, Mr. S. S. Southey, Mr. J. W. Eschenck, Mr. J. P. P. Turner, Lieut. Jolliffe, Lieut. D. M. Smith, Lieut. C. A. Tucker, Lieut. F. U. C. Hall, for Ceylon.—Mrs. Tranchell and two children, Mr. R. A. King, Mrs. Clark, Mr. E. Strong, for ALEXANDRIA from Marseilles.—Mr. and Mrs. Smith, for SHANGHAI.—Mr. J. A. Fraser, Mr. C. Simpson, Mr. Whittaker, Mr. T. F. Hughes, Mr. F. H. Bell, for MAURITIUS.—Mr. R. S. Stone, for MALTA.—Maj. Stover, for GIBRALTAR.—Capt. Millett, Mr. Burrell.

PASSAGES ENGAGED.

(Per Peninsular and Oriental Company's Steamers.)

Jan. 27.—For BOMBAY.—Capt. and Mrs. Davidson, Maj. Crichton, Mr. T. Steele, Mr. G. McLeod, Mrs. Hare, Capt. Mathew, Lieut. Alleyne, Lieut. col. Prettyjohn, Mr. J. H. Haydon, Mrs. Oldersham, Mr. A. Barclay, Mr. H. L. Cameron, Col. Smythe, Mr. A. Moorhouse, Maj. Brown, Mr. J. M. Grey, Mr. C. F. Devonshire, Mr. E. W. Doyle, Capt. Curling, Mr. C. F. Burl, Mr. R. W. Alison, Mr. W. Sennett, from Marseilles.—Mr. A. Grey, Mr. Brereton and friend, Mr. W. Morrison, Mr. Jamsetjee Pillonjee, Mr. Hunz, Mr. and Mrs. Curran, Mrs. and Miss Nicholson, from SUZ.—Mr. and Mrs. Bellai, Mr. Nairne, for MALTA from Marseilles.—Col. Donovan.

Feb. 4.—For CALCUTTA.—Col. and Mrs. Best, Mr. W. Bartlett, Mr. D. Monroe, Miss William, Mr. Bully, Mr. J. Chalmers, Capt. Hill, Mrs. Berkeley and two infants, Miss Wallace, Capt. Leven, from Marseilles.—Mr. and Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Rutherford and friend, Mr. W. P. Cowan, Mr. G. Harper, for MADRAS.—Capt. Oakes, Capt. and Mrs. O'Neill, Col. E. A. Ford, Capt. Stuart, Lieut. H. de Lousada.

From MARSHALLS.—Maj. G. and Mrs. Baldock, Lieut. Briggs. For HONG KONG.—Mr. and Mrs. Eusden, Mr. W. B. Chalmers, Mr. McDonald, Mrs. Stewart and infant, Mr. W. Findlay, Mr. J. S. Young. From MARSHALLS.—Col. Knox, C.B., Mr. Schwermann. For SHANGHAI.—Mrs. J. Carnegie. From MARSHALLS.—Mr. Brown and two daughters. For SINGAPORE.—Lieut. Witham. For PENANG.—From MARSHALLS.—Mr. F. S. Brown, Mr. F. Palmer. For CAYLON.—Mr. Elles, two Misses Price. For MALTA.—Lieut. R. Evans. Feb. 13.—For BOMBAY.—Mr. J. M. Elliott, Col. Lacy. From MARSHALLS.—Capt. Marett, Mr. and Mrs. Netherlands, Miss Prescott.

Feb. 20.—For CALCUTTA.—Mrs. Conolly, Mrs. Farquhar and infant. For HONG KONG from MARSHALLS.—Mr. and Mrs. Trantmann, Mr. A. Milson. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mrs. and Miss Hobson.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

BRETtingham—the wife of Charles Brettingham, Esq., late H.M.'s Bengal Army, of a daughter, at The Glen, Penally, South Wales, Jan. 8.

LANE—the wife of John B. Lane, Esq., of Lall Bagh, Bombay, of a daughter, at Colnbrook, Bucks, Jan. 8.

SHERMAN—the wife of S. Sherman, H.M.'s Indian Army, of a daughter, at Bordeaux, France, Jan. 12.

MARRIAGES.

BLOWERS—SINCLAIR—Charles G. Blowers, H.M.'s 10th Bombay N.I., to Marion, daughter of the late John Sinclair, Esq., of Denmark-hill, Dulwich, at St. John's Church, Clapham, Jan. 10.

CARNEY—DAWSON—James Ogilvy Carney, Adj. 2nd Mon. R.V., to Mary Ellen Pemberton, daughter of the late Rev. E. H. Dawson, Rector of Ottem Belchamp, at Ottem Belchamp, Essex, Jan. 11.

GOSCHEN—SHAKERLEY—Lieut. Henry Goschen, of the 2nd Punjab Irregular Cavalry, to Augusta E., daughter of Geoffrey T. Shakerley, Esq., of Whatcroft-hall, Cheshire, at Davenham Church, Jan. 10.

HOOPER—GIFFARD—George Stanley Hooper, Captain 1st Madras Cavalry, to Minnie Rose, daughter of Edward Giffard, Esq., at Hampton, Jan. 17.

SMITH—CONSIDINE—Joseph Doyle Smith, Esq., H.M.'s Indian Service, of Churchdown Parsonage, Gloucester, to Elizabeth R., daughter of the Rev. R. A. Wellesley Considine, M.A., Incumbent of Alvey, at Alvey Church, Salop, Jan. 10.

DEATHS.

DALLAS—Annie, daughter of the late Capt. Arbuthnot Dallas, of the Indian Army, at Florence, aged 17, Jan. 9.

FOMBELLE—Elizabeth M., widow of the late John Fombelle, Esq., of the Bengal Civil Service, at Florence, aged 78, Jan. 8.

MARTER—Eliza, daughter of the late William Marter, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at Shelleys, Knockholt, Kent, Jan. 10.

MOHR—Carl, of 2, Cromwell-place, South Kensington, formerly of Akyab, E.I., at Torquay, aged 85, Jan. 18.

WARD—Mrs. Mary Ann Ward, late of Bombay, at 15, Sussex-place, Slough, Bucks, aged 68, Jan. 7.

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January 20, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. H. F. Woodcock, Inf.; Lieut. R. H. Dyas, late 4th Eur. Regt.

Madras Estab.—Capt. H. Teed, Staff Corps; Lieut. T. Lowndes, Staff Corps.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. J. Becke, 4th N.I.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Capt. L. De H. Larpent, 21st N.I., 2 mo.; Asst. surg. N. B. Baillie, Med. Estab., 6 mo.; Lieut. G. R. Hennessy, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Lieut. col. A. Bagot, 15th N.I., 6 mo.; Major J. A. Steel, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Lieut. J. M. Glubb, 38th N.I., 6 mo.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. col. C. O. Lukin, 41st N.I., 6 mo.; Surg. J. Cowper, Med. Estab., 6 mo.; Lieut. J. E. Stretzell, 9th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. S. W. Sherman, 11th N.I., 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Capt. R. Wallace, 5th N.I., 3 mo.; Lieut. H. W. Watson, Engrs., 6 mo.; Lieut. R. Hennell, Inf., 6 mo.; Lieut. J. G. Griffith, 18th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. Sir J. Louis, Bart., 3rd Eur. Regt., 6 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. E. Y. Walcott, 57th N.I.; Asst. surg. T. Duka, Med. Estab.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. A. C. Easton, 44th N.I.; Capt. H. T. Stuart, Staff Corps; Capt. R. F. Oakes, Engrs.; Asst. surg. B. Williamson, Med. Estab.; Surg. major J. B. Stevens, Med. Estab.

Bombay Estab.—Capt. F. W. Jones, 18th N.I.; Lieut. D. C. Bell, 17th N.I.; Lieut. J. Hibbert, Inf.

PERMITTED TO RETIRE.

MILITARY.

Bombay Estab.—Capt. J. A. Ramsay, 5th N.I.

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Share.		Paid.	Prices.
India Stock, 1874.....		313	
India 5 per cent.		103½	
India 4 per cent.		97½	
India 4 per cent. 1888 ..		98	
India Enforced Paper 4 p. ct.		89	
India 5 p. ct. Enforced Paper		101½	
India Stock, Enfd. Paper, 5 p. cent.		109 to 111	
India Stock Debentures, 1858		95½	
India Stock Debentures, 1859		116	
" " " 1863		99½	
" " " 1864 or 1866		99½	
India Debentures, do., £1,000		8 dis.	
India 5 per cent. for account...		105	
India 5 per cent., 1870		103½ to 104	
India 4 per cent. 1888		99½	
India Loan Scrip 5 per cent.		104½	
India Bonds, 4 p. ct.		8s. to 15s. pm.	
India Bonds (£1,000)		10s.	
Ditto (under £1,000)			
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Stock	Bombay, Baroda, and Central India (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	100 to 101
20	Ditto F Shares	2	½ d. to ½ pm.
Stock	Calcutta & S. Eastern (lim.)	100	96 to 98
Stock	Eastern Bengal (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	100 to 101
Stock	East Indian	100	101 to 103
20	Ditto J. Extension	5	
Stock	G. I. Peninsula (guar. 5 p. ct.)	100	103
20	Ditto (New ditto)	19	part to ½ pm.
Stock	Ditto, New	2	part to ½ pm.
Stock	Great S. of India (Lim.) Scrip	100	101 x.d.
Stock	Ditto ½ p. c.	100	99 to 101
Stock	Madras (guar. 4½ per ct.)	100	90
Stock	India 5 per cent.	100	99½ to 100½
Stock	Ditto (guar. 4½ percent	100	94
20	5th Extension	2	01
Stock	Scinde 5 per cent.	100	99½ to 100½
Stock	Ditto Indus Steam Flotilla (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	96
Stock	Ditto Delhi gua. 5 p.c.	all	100½
20	Ditto	2	½ d. per
Stock	Punjab (5 per ct.)	100	100 to 101
BANKS.			
100	Agar and Masterman's (L.)	50	132 to 135
25	Do., New issue	25	65
40	Aus. relasia	all	70 to 72
40	New	30	65 to 67
25	Bank of Egypt	all	30 to 32
20	Chart. of Ind., Aus., & China	all	34½ to 35½
20	Ditto, New	all	16 pm.
25	Chart. Merc. of India, Lond., and China	all	59
25	New	12½	
25	Commercial Bank of India	20	5 to 7 pm.
100	Hindustan, China, & Japan	25	5½ pm.
100	Do. New issue at 9 pm.	23	4 pm.
100	New issue at 6 pm., of which 1 pd.	10	3½ pm.
50	Imp. Bank of China, India, and Japan	5	
20	Land Mortgage Bank of India	4	1½ to 1½ pm.
25	Oriental Bank Corporation	all	57 to 58
20	Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi	10	1 to 1½ pm.
25	Ditto New	7½	2 pm.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
5	Bombay Gas	all	4½ to 5½
100	British & India Mag. Tel. (L.)	100	60 to 70
20	British Indian Tea	11	2 to 1 dis.
20	Ceylon	7	3 pm.
50	Credit Foncier of Mauritius	10	3 to 2 dis.
20	East India Irr. & Can.	8	2½ dis.
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20	Madras Irrig. and Canal	5	½ d. to ½ pm.
20	Do.	all	20½ x.d.
20	Mediterran. Ext. Tel. (Lim.)	all	3 to 4
20	Nerbudda Coal and Iron	5	1 d. par
20	Do. New	1	½ d. to ½ pm.
20	Oriental Commercial	7	1 to 2 pm.
50	Oriental Financial	10	5 to 4
1	Oriental Gas	all	1
1	Do. New	all	1
10	Oriental Inland Steam A. (L.)	all	3 pm.
50	P. and O. Steam Nav. Co.	all	80 to 82
50	Ditto New	30	31
2	Telegraph to India	1	
10	Upper Assam Tea	2½	5 pm.
10	Ditto	all	20

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- Schedule of all Administrations whereof the final Balances have been paid to the parties entitled to receive, specifying the amount of such Balances, and the persons to whom paid, during the six months ending on 30th of June, 1864.
- Schedule of all Sums of Money, Bonds, and other Securities received by the Administrator-general on account of Estates, not being Hindoo or Mahomedan, remaining under his charge, together with the payments made thereout, and the Balances. Prepared up to the 30th of June, 1864, under Section XXXIV. of Act VIII. of 1855.
- Schedule of all Sums of Money, Bonds, and other Securities received by the Administrator-general on account of Hindoo and Mahomedan Estates remaining under his charge, together with the payments made thereout, and the Balances in hand.
- Schedule of Balances in the hands of the Administrator-general set apart to meet the admitted claims of creditors against the Estates therein mentioned.
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- Schedule of all Administrations, whereof the Balances have been paid to the persons entitled to the same, specifying the amount of such Balances, and the persons to whom paid. Prepared for the half-year ending 30th of June, 1864, under Section XXXIV. of Act VIII. of 1855.

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CIVIL SERVICE OF INDIA.—EX-

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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

As the news brought by the present mail from Calcutta is only one day later than that received by the last mail from Bombay, there is naturally but little to record. From Bhootan no more recent intelligence has come to hand than that we published in our issue of the 21st. The advance of the Russians, however, into Central Asia has furnished the local press with materials for composing sensational leaders, of which they have not been slow to avail themselves. According to the *Friend of India*, it is a mistake to suppose that the Russians have conquered Kokan, though it may be perfectly true that they have entered that country with the full and free permission of the Khan. That ruler, unmindful of the fate of the horse who invited the aid of man in overcoming the stag, is said to have been so ill-advised as to solicit the co-operation of the Muscovite in a projected invasion of East Toorkistan. That invasion has now taken place, having for its object the restoration of the ancient line of Khojeh chiefs expelled by the Chinese. The ultimate result of this perilous alliance may very likely be, as our Serampore contemporary confidently predicts, the cession of half of Independent, or Western Toorkistan, and the absorption of the whole of the Chinese or Eastern Provinces. The boundary of the Russian empire in Asia will then march with the frontier of Cashmere, and the Sepoy and the Cossack will be separated only by that narrow but mountainous barrier. In the general interests of humanity this is a consummation rather to be desired than deprecated, even should the misplaced zeal of subordinate Russian officials occasionally lead them to intrigue with our own disaffected subjects in British India.

We commend to the notice of our readers an appalling account, taken from an Indian paper, of the miserable condition of the peasantry in Lower Bengal. The distress of these wretched peasants dates from upwards of two years back, and may be traced to their own wilful neglect of the simplest injunctions of common sense. The Government has done all, and more than all, it could reasonably be expected to do, to-

wards relieving the immediate necessities of the sufferers, and removing the primary causes of fever and other death-dealing diseases. But it has not been sufficiently supported by the native landholders, few of whom appeared to take any interest in the welfare of their tenants, while not a few have been found to ridicule the notion that property has its duties as well as its privileges, and have obstinately declined to assist in clearing the jungles and filling up the stagnant pools that breed malaria in every village.

People who are curious in collecting instances of singular coincidences may gratify their peculiar "humour" by making two selections from our miscellaneous paragraphs. A railway murder—and the second case chronicled in this paper within the last few weeks—is reported as having been perpetrated in a third-class carriage on the East India Railway, and, as it is supposed, in the very presence of several native eye-witnesses. The murdered man was the Gomashta of an up-county Mahajun, residing at Burdwan, and left Howrah by the morning up-train of the 18th December, taking with him a bag of Rs. 1,100, and some pieces of cloth. On the arrival of the train at the Bankipore Station he was found lying dead on the floor of the carriage in a pool of blood. The station-master sent on the corpse to Dinapore, where it was removed from the train, but no particular inquiries appear to have been instituted. A reward of Rs. 1,000 has since been offered for the detection of the murderer or murderers.

The other coincidence to which we have alluded is the fall of a part of the cornice of the new Post-office in Calcutta, by which six men were killed and a seventh so severely injured that he is not expected to recover.

So eager are speculators at Bombay in the pursuit of wealth that they have no time to consider what means are honest and reputable, and what the reverse of all that. Once every fortnight as the steamer from China arrives at Galle, the telegraphic wires are cut, and special intelligence forwarded to the ingenious, but not over scrupulous worshippers of Mammon. The Chambers of Commerce of the three Presidency towns have for once agreed to act in concert, in the hope of putting down this baneful fraud, and have offered a reward of five thousand rupees for such information as shall lead to the discovery of the offenders.

DATES OF ADVICES.

Bengal.....	Dec. 22	Burmah (Rangoon).....	Dec. 12
Madras.....	" 27	Bombay.....	" 29
Agra.....	" 22	Ceylon.....	" 30
China (Hong Kong).....	Dec. 15.		

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From Ceylon we learn that Sir Hercules Robinson has accepted the governorship of that island, and is expected to assume office some time in April. General O'Brien, it is said, notwithstanding the impaired state of his health, will probably remain to inaugurate the new military system. The General seems to have had ample occupation of late, for, besides his official duties as Commander-in-Chief and Officiating Governor, he has been called upon to exercise a liberal hospitality towards two guests of high degree. These distinguished travellers were H.R.H. the Duke of Brabant, eldest son of King Leopold and heir to the throne of Belgium, and H.R.H. Prince Frederick of Schleswig-Holstein.

A private letter published in the *Penang Argus* gives a sad account of the destruction by the Taipings of the beautiful city of Chan-Chew, and the massacre of its 70,000 inhabitants. Great fears were entertained at Amoy of a similar visitation, and as it is a neutral port European intervention is not to be expected.

The Japanese have again resorted to assassination. Major Baldwin and Lieut. Bird, of H.M.'s 20th Regiment, have been barbarously murdered at Yokohama. We are indebted to the *Japan Herald* of the 26th November for the following particulars relating to this shocking outrage:—

"On the morning of the 21st November (Monday), Major George Walter Baldwin and Lieutenant Robert Nicholas Bird, both of the 2nd Battalion of her Britannic Majesty's 20th Regiment (two who, among all the respected and beloved of the officers of that regiment, had, by their gentle inoffensive natures and sterling worth, gained the foremost ranks in the affectionate regards of all who knew them), left Yokohama on horseback for an excursion to Kamakura and Daiboots. About half-past ten they arrived at Enosima, which place (after exchanging courtesies with other excursionists they met there) they left about twelve o'clock, with the intention of proceeding to Daiboots. The same night information from the district authorities was sent into the Governor of Yokohama, that two foreigners had been assaulted at or near Kamakura, that one was dead, but the other yet alive. This information having been communicated forthwith (about two o'clock a.m. of Tuesday, the 22nd) to the Foreign Consuls, Dr. Lindau (the Swiss Consul), Mr. Von Brandt (the Prussian Consul), and in various parties other foreign residents started, at or about four o'clock, towards the place indicated. Lieutenant Woods, with a party of mounted artillery, and Mr. Lachland Fletcher, Interpreter to the British Legation, being ordered to proceed there in all haste. A little after daylight they arrived at the 'three-fold road, leading from the great temple Hatchuma, where it divides into three smaller roads, one leading to Daiboots to the right, the second straight on to the sea, and the third into the country to the left.' Near this spot, and between a miserable ten-house and a hut for horses, two small sheds of mats propped up by bamboo, and disposed on mats laid on the ground, were found, most horribly mutilated, the bodies of the two unfortunate gentlemen; the pistol of one of them—one barrel of which appeared to have been recently discharged—by his side, that of the other yet undrawn from his belt. All the inquiries made by Mr. Fletcher failed to elicit any information. No one knew anything but that there the bodies were, and that one of the deceased—the younger one, who said his name was Bird—had lived for several hours."

The Indian Army and Civil Service List, which will positively be published on Monday next, the 30th inst., will contain the promotions in the three Presidency armies, substantive and by brevet, occasioned by the despatch of H.M.'s Secretary of State for India to the Viceroy and Governor-general in Council, dated June 17th, 1864.

THE LATE COLONEL PATRICK STEWART.—The death of such a gallant and distinguished young officer as Lieutenant-colonel Patrick Stewart, C.B., demands something more than the mere record of the sad event. Those who are well acquainted with recent Indian affairs know how great a career his early efforts promised, but the world at large can scarcely be expected to appreciate the loss which the service and his country have sustained, because his sun rose far away in India, and had not well rose before it set for ever. He was distinguished at Addiscombe, where he won not only the Pollock sword but the gold medal, as being the first and the best conducted boy of his year, and we believe he was the first who combined the qualities which gained those rewards in his own person. At the time of his death he was only 32 years of age, and he went to India when all was calm, but his scientific attainments and activity recommended him for various employments, in which he won golden opinions from his superiors, and when the mutiny broke out he was attached to the Telegraph Department, which, under Sir C. O'Shaughnessy, was then spreading its branches all over India. He was specially appointed to keep the column under Sir Colin Campbell in communication with the Government during the advance upon Lucknow, and he served throughout the first advance, the second advance, the siege, and subsequent operations in Oude under Lord Clyde, always displaying the same coolness, courage, and zeal which made him conspicuous even in such a gallant and distinguished corps as the Bengal Engineers. He was the first who ever marked the successive days' progress of an army by telegraph posts and stations, and his escapes from the enemy's horse were numberless; but nothing could daunt his spirit of enterprise and energy. Lord Canning, Lord Clyde, Sir James Outram, all those, in fact, who could appreciate devotion to duty, fearlessness, skill, and modesty, regarded him as one of the most rising officers in the army, and it was impossible to know him but a little and refuse assent to their judgment. On his return to England he was favourably received, and corroborated the impression produced on those who recommended him to the notice of the authorities at home by his aptitude for affairs and extraordinary intelligence. He was selected eventually to superintend the construction of the telegraph route to India, and made two journeys through Arabia and Persia with that object, in the first of which he returned home by Russia and arrived somewhat injured in health, and in the second he was arrested by the hand of death as he was on his way homeward. He died of fever at Constantinople, leaving many friends to cherish his memory and lament him. A keen sportsman, an indefatigable student, a naturalist, a soldier, unassuming and accomplished, genial and gentle, Patrick Stewart was a man to make and keep friends, and to make a name too, had he been spared, which would have made them prouder of his friendship.—*Times*.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

H.M.'s FORCES.—Maj. Baldwin, H.M.'s 20th Regt., in Japan, murdered by natives while out on an excursion. Lieut. Bird, H.M.'s 20th Regt., in Japan, murdered by natives while out on an excursion.

BENGAL.—Maj. Griffin, Bengal Engineers, killed in action, at Dalimkote, Bhootan. Lieut. F. A. Anderson, Bengal Engineers, killed in action, at Dalimkote, Bhootan. Lieut. Waller, Bengal Engineers, killed in action, at Dalimkote, Bhootan. Col. P. Stewart, C.B., Engineers, and of the Electric Telegraphic Department, Jan. 15, aged 32.

Passengers by the present Mail.

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BENGAL.

STATE OF BENGAL.

The condition of the native population in Bengal is such as to call urgently for the attention of Government. We are informed that the villages between Calcutta and Kedgeree, along the banks of the river, are in a most deplorable state. The native papers keep us well informed about the tyranny of English planters, but they are quite silent with reference to greater cruelty which is being practised by their own countrymen. A gentleman who went through a large portion of the suffering districts lately, distributing relief, states to us that everywhere the ryots came to him with touching complaints of the treatment they had experienced from the zemindars. "We do not want your money," they said, "but time to pay our rent, and that the zemindars will not give." Baboos who figure prominently in public meetings have refused to help their starving and houseless ryots in any way, and in the 24-Pergunnahs there are cases of oppression on the one side, and distress on the other, so inconceivable that they would be past belief, only that they are well accredited. In his worst phase the planter is a merciful man compared with some of these zemindars, for the planter is at least an Englishman, and not a coward by instinct, and a tyrant by nature, and a hypocrite by stress of both. "How could I act like this?" asked one zemindar of our informant, when the latter questioned him about his treatment of the ryots; "it would be against my reputation." Yet the ryots are driven out to perish in the fields, on which the crops are still rotting. Mr. Ashley Eden, who searches so carefully into every reported case of oppression in the indigo districts, might with advantage direct his enquiries into the 24-Pergunnahs. Our information comes, as we have said, from gentlemen who have been engaged in the distribution of relief, and it is very easy to ascertain on what foundation it is based. One fact is certain—the distress yet remaining throughout the flooded districts is very great. The loss of life has been estimated at no less than 60,000—upwards of 7,000 persons having been swept off the island of Saugor alone. In the Hooghly district there is also a really awful scene of want and misery in almost every direction. The magistrate of Serampore happened the other day to visit the village of Dwarhatta, in the Thannah of Hurrupal, and found unspeakable wretchedness and desolation. The epidemic fever had swept away whole households, or carried off adults, leaving only children to wander about the huts. The tanks were full of rotting vegetation, and the trees lay where they had fallen. On making known the case to the Relief Committee, one thousand rupees were sent, and with this sum Mr. Ryland has distributed medicines, and greatly lightened the distress. The ravages of the fever are appalling, or perhaps we should rather say they would be appalling in any land but India. The unhappy people fall sick, and lay themselves down to die without hope of help. If there happen to be a native doctor near, he refuses to visit them without a fee; and this world's goods they have none, so they simply perish. The medical men of Hooghly have been generous in going about, but the infected district is now very wide, and extraordinary measures would be required to do all that is called for. The fever is in itself a terrible one—even if it does not kill outright, it leaves its victims shattered so that they cannot work for months, or incapacitates them from future labour altogether. It is impossible to tell the extent of suffering which is going on in this one district alone. The missionaries, assisted by the Relief Committee, have done what they can to relieve it. But it is the barest truth to state that whole districts are

at this moment being rapidly depopulated. In the *Calcutta Gazette* of the 21st December there is a report from the Commissioner of the Nuddea division upon the epidemic alluded to above. Mr. Dampier states that jungle has been uprooted, and lands have been cleared, wherever practicable. It seems that the cultivation of jute has given rise to much sickness. "The villagers appear to be in the habit of macerating the plant, in order to procure the fibre, in the nearest ditch or tank to the spot on which it has grown. The stench arising from this is almost intolerable." The natives, even in districts still healthy, show such an utter disregard of the commonest precautions that the difficulty of stopping the epidemic is inevitably increased. At Barrackpore, Major Sneyd states, "droves of pigs" are "fattened" on filth which may be good for manure, as our London correspondent "M." states, but which is not fit for the consumption of animals intended for human food. We warned the Indian public recently about this matter, and it is an important fact for them to consider that the pig of the country is the incarnation of town sewage. The hint may not be thrown away in the approaching Christmas time. Strange to say, in one of the villages which had been cleared to the largest extent—Kadhihatty—cholera broke out, and soon carried off upwards of fifty people.—*Friend of India*.

THE MARRIAGE MART IN THE OLDEN TIME.

Some amusement of a very unsubstantial character has been afforded to that portion of the community which relishes such things, by an advertisement which appeared in the three dailies, in which some disconsolate swain expresses his desire to do what Captain Cuttle called, enter into "a state of bondage." But although we are not inclined to follow the example of those who ought to have known better than to pen articles in connection with the subject, we are disposed to inquire whether the days of Stavorinus have returned. That quaint old writer, describing the ladies of Calcutta, in 1770, when they were both uncommon and expensive, says: "Domestic peace and tranquillity must be purchased by a shower of jewels, a wardrobe of the richest clothes, and a kingly parade of plate upon the sideboard; the husband must give all these, or, according to a vulgar phrase, the house would be too hot to hold him, while the wife never pays the least attention to her domestic concerns, but suffers the whole to depend upon her servants or slaves. The women generally rise between eight and nine o'clock. Dinner is ready at half-past one; but they go to sleep till half-past four or five; they then dress in form, and the evening and part of the night is spent in company or dancing parties, which are frequent during the colder season." Is it an easy question to decide whether Calcutta has changed since then? If we are to judge by the advertisement referred to, ladies must be nearly as uncommon and expensive as when Stavorinus uttered his lament. It is quite delicious to ramble over the chronicles of the days gone by, and laugh consumedly over such passages as the following, from *Hickey's Gazette* of 1780:—"In my last I sent you an account of the number of ladies which have arrived in the late ships; there came eleven on one vessel, too great a number for the peace or good order of a Round House. Millinery must rise at least 25 per cent.; for the above ladies, when they left England, were well-stocked with head-dresses of different kinds formed to the highest ton. But from the unfortunate disputes which daily arose during the space of the three last months of the passage, they had scarce a cap left when they arrived!" As may be imagined, in those days marriage was a matter of the very last gravity; and yet the demand appears to have been great, especially

for Scotch girls, though why it is impossible to say, so that Edinburgh acquired a most unenviable title as a market for the Indian marriage mart. Matters have changed since then, it will be allowed, as regards the question of nationality, and in one other point also, namely, that the license of the Governor-general is not necessary now to constitute a legal marriage, as it was then. Perhaps we must add to the list that matrimonial notices are not written now in the following curious style:—"Married, last Saturday, at Cossimbazaar, the Hon. David Anstruther, a lieutenant of the *Yellow*, to Miss Donaldson, of that place, a young lady of beauty and infinite accomplishments." Perhaps it is a pity for amorous advertisers that the scenes which Grand Pre depicts are not now witnessed. "From a knowledge of this general predilection in favour of matrimony in India, the English, who are inclined to every sort of speculation, send thither annually whole cargoes of females, who are tolerably handsome, and are seldom six months in the country without getting husbands. These cargoes are impatiently expected by such as are tired of celibacy and on the look out for the arrival of the ships; they were eager, as in other places, for a freight of merchandise to make purchases of goods." The queer and quaint old records of those days, brown now and dingy with age, give us ludicrous pictures of the way in which these "cargoes" were beset by those who were "tired of celibacy," but how it came to pass that all the young ladies had come out to visit aunts, is a mystery we leave to the ladies to discover. It is clear that there must have been a great number of these old ladies in the land; the manner in which they and their nieces sat up nearly the whole night to receive visitors, and the agonies they suffered under the combined attacks of heat, mosquitoes, and tight lacing, are described with a quiet humour infinitely delightful. Our disconsolate advertiser must sigh for the return of the times when many matches were concluded before the third night of "exhibition"—(our fathers evidently went to work as if they were before so many redoubts which were to be taken at the bayonet's point), the queerest feature of which was that, on special occasions when matters were to be managed with a due and laudable regard to the decorous and the grand, a fourth night was allowed to intervene before the parties sought the Governor-general's license, which night was set apart for the banquet of bachelors from the interior! We suppose that this was a deeply planned device to make those hapless celibates weary the sooner of their celibacy, and to see them borne away in triumph at an early date by some inexorable Maecinger, like our erudite friend Captain Bunby. One of these non-descript residents "in the interior," moved perhaps by a keen sense of the intolerable wrongs he suffered, by the complete monopoly which the gentlemen residing in Calcutta enjoyed of the fair cargoes which the annual Indianmen landed, gives vent to his feelings in a few gushing lines in *Hickey's Gazette*, and winds up his pathetic peroration with the startling suggestion, that "gentlemen out in the provinces should apply to the Judges of the Supreme Court for an order of that Court, that an equal division of beauty may be made,"—adding that they "hope to have the support of Government in this their prayer, as remits are no less necessary than civilians to the welfare of the State." We are not in a position to state whether the brilliant idea travelled beyond *Hickey's* pages or not. But if it be true, as the same veracious chronicler informs us, that men old enough to make a girl guilty of a breach of the canonical articles were wedded to girls in their teens, with little or no attraction, and that it was consequently remarked that "Hymen in Calcutta is seldom attended at the nuptial ceremony by Cupid," these

residents in the interior had not much to envy. Our ill-starred advertiser had also better take the hint.—*Hurkaru*.

THE EMPLOYMENT OF SOLDIERS ON RAILWAYS.

The rapid extension of railway enterprise in this country has produced a scarcity of labour, and railway companies are consequently very glad to obtain servants from the ranks of the soldiery. On this subject we have an important minute before us, by General Sir William Mansfield. The general question may be briefly indicated: is it desirable for the companies to employ soldiers? On this point there cannot be diverse opinions. The men are well disciplined, they are of good character, and ordinarily they make civil guards, trustworthy clerks, and the like. Does the plan offer any advantages to the army? That question also must be answered affirmatively. Our readers will recollect the publication of a *Horse Guards'* circular some months ago, recounting in gloomy terms the difficulty of obtaining recruits. It even went so far as to urge officers when on leave to "tout" for troops. Now, the great difficulty in the matter of recruiting was never experienced in the old local army, simply because India offered numerous prizes to the old Company's soldiers; these prizes could not be obtained unless a man had passed through the army. They have now been withdrawn, and hundreds of time-expired men have been sent back to England under the Limited Enlistment Act. The amalgamation of the Company's army with the Queen's has finally settled the question of a local army. Incidentally to the recruiting difficulty, we might remark that recruits could be obtained more easily if the standard was lowered. For Indian Service a small man is as good as a big man, and if the standard were lowered it would open up the service to thousands who are now shut out of it. It should be remembered, also, that we have now to raise double the number of men, by the same machinery as was formerly used to raise a limited Imperial army. But as the *Horse Guards* will not bear of this plan, the next best thing to do is to make the army as popular as possible, so that there may be no necessity to resort to the ignoble device recommended by the authorities at home this year. With these preliminary remarks, we invite the attention of our readers to Sir W. Mansfield's minute.

No doubt there are many officers who have a great objection to men leaving their regiments. General Mansfield evidently does not share in that feeling. The man who has completed his first term of service is very likely now to be caught up eagerly by some railway company. Both the soldier and the company are apt to forget that military service after twenty-one years gives a claim to a pension, and this ought especially to be borne in mind when the premature discharge of the men is sought for. On every ground such proposals should be discouraged, and Sir W. Mansfield does discourage them. At the same time he has pointed out a course by which the interests of the railway companies may be served, and at the same time the service will not be impaired. He observes that Government has a more direct concern in railways here than the Government has in England, and that therefore a system of co-operation with them might with propriety be introduced. "I should hope," Sir William says, "to see a supply of men, trained to habits of obedience and discipline, furnished to the railway companies under conditions which would not prejudicially affect the resources of her Majesty's regiments, while it would be regulated and gradually developed according to the growing exigencies of the railway system throughout India."

The next question, then, is how can this object be gained? Sir W. Mansfield declares it

as his opinion that no inconvenience to the service would be caused by detaching a certain number of soldiers for employment by railway companies. Their names should still be kept on the regimental rolls and on the unattached lists, and the men should be subject to the same rules as others similarly detached for service in the Ordnance, Commissariat, and other departments of government. "We know," he says, "from long experience that the conduct of men so detached is generally excellent, the fear of remand to the strict life and scanty pay of the private soldier from the superior position and emoluments of staff situations being found with the vast majority to be an effectual guarantee in the motive it affords to prudence and self-restraint." So far there can of course be no doubt that Sir W. Mansfield is right. But whether this *quasi* independent employment would not eventually be productive of great inconvenience to the service is not so clear. It might not be so easy to preserve proper military discipline—and the selection of men for the coveted posts might give rise to much ill feeling and suspicion in the ranks. The employment of soldiers in the police in Bombay is scarcely a case in point, because they are still kept under restraint, and do not lose their respect for military authority. As Sir W. Mansfield himself says, "They are remandable to their regiments for misconduct, and are carefully looked after under the orders of the police commissioner." Probably something of the same plan might be tried on railways, but there is no disguising the fact that the men would have a much wider range before them—they would be left more to themselves, the supervision would be incomparably less efficient, and the opportunities for escaping detection would be much greater. If these difficulties can be satisfactorily arranged, Sir W. Mansfield's plan ought to be adopted. In the meanwhile, it cannot be too carefully discussed.

The railway companies are unquestionably great sufferers by the present arrangements. They go to the cost of bringing out men only to find that they fall into bad health, in consequence of their inexperience of the climate; or they take to drinking. The mortality among railway subordinates is very high. Petty native officials are abusive and rough to their countrymen who travel in third class carriages, and all this might be obviated if picked soldiers were at the disposal of the companies. The difficulty we foresee is thus alluded to by General Mansfield:—"It will be said by commanding officers of regiments that the superior emoluments of the railway would entice away all their best men, more especially the class of non-commissioned officers." But Sir William answers that the more numerous the prizes the larger will be the number of good men raised up to compete for them. This may be partially true, but it does not dispose of the difficulty in a way that is satisfactory to our minds. But for this the scheme would be a very beneficial one, since it would undoubtedly be an advantage to have on our railways, in seasons of trouble, well disciplined soldiers. "Times will occur," as is remarked in this minute, "when the defence of a station may be matter of prime necessity till aid can come, and when the old habits of the use of arms and of acting under orders for the combinations of defence may be of almost immeasurable importance." The rules which General Mansfield thinks would be sufficient to ensure the good working of the system may be thus summarised:—1. No soldier to be eligible for railway employment who has not completed his first ten years of service, except by special permission of the commanding officer—which, we must add, is not very likely to be obtained. 2. In the second period of his service the soldier may at any time be eligible for such employment, his name remaining on the rolls. 3. Commanding officers to furnish certificates of

character, education, and health to the railway company. 4. Commanding officers shall be bound not to oppose their men who have completed ten years' service entering the employment of a railway company. 5. If the soldier is obliged to resign this employment through ill-health or other cause (except misconduct), he shall be allowed to return to his regiment. 6 and 7. A soldier discharged by the company for misconduct shall return to the ranks as a private soldier, whatever may have been his grade before, and be tried by the military authorities. A military staff officer should be employed by the railway company to go up and down the line exercising a proper control over the men, and to be the "authority for maintaining military discipline." It is plain that if this plan came into working, our railways could be much more efficiently managed than they are now. Whether it is practicable, remains to be proved.—*Friend of India.*

MISCELLANEOUS.

MURDER ON THE E. I. RAILWAY BETWEEN JUMALPORE AND BANKIPORE.—A murder, scarcely less atrocious than that of Mr. Briggs, has come to light, under circumstances very nearly analogous. It appears that the up-passenger train of the 11th Dec. left Jumal-pore at 10 P.M., and, as usual, the third-class carriages were occupied by natives, who were crammed into them to suffocation. On the arrival of this train at the Bankipore station, the station-master, perceiving an intermediate third-class carriage quite empty, had the curiosity to open it, and, to his astonishment, discovered the body of a native lying at the bottom of it in a pool of blood. A hurried examination showed that the body had received several wounds, one of them in the throat, which must have been the immediate cause of death. The station-master, not thinking himself justified in detaining the train, allowed it to proceed on with the corpse, and immediately telegraphed to the Dinapore station-master the circumstance above stated. On the arrival of the train at Dinapore, the corpse was removed from the carriage, and, incredible to believe, the station-master allowed it to proceed on without making any attempt to detain the third-class passenger train which, under the circumstance, he surely should have done. The magistrate and superintendent of police of Patna arriving several hours after, and, very naturally, remonstrating with the station-master for so foolishly allowing every clue to slip from the hands of justice, ordered the body back to Patna by the 12.45 P.M. down-train. Thus every clue to the perpetrators of this audacious murder has been so far completely lost save a Moha-jeiny letter found on the person of the deceased, which may possibly lead to his identity. It is worthy of remark that the railway ticket was no where to be found, the murderer having evidently taken it, to prevent the station where the ill-fated man entered the carriage from being known. It is believed that money was the incentive to this crime, but how it could have been perpetrated in a third-class carriage, full of passengers, without some of the occupants coming to the rescue of the unfortunate victim and attempting to seize the murderer at the next station is exceedingly mysterious. That the murder, however, was actually witnessed by a carriage full of natives is beyond doubt, hence the third-class carriage in which the murder was committed was found completely deserted on the arrival of the train at Bankipore, the occupants having done so evidently from fear of being suspected of complicity, rightly, or not.—*Englishman.*

MAJOR GOUGH, of the Hussars, now stationed at Meerut, has been appointed to officiate as second in command of the 13th Bengal Cavalry, at present under command of Major Watson.

PORT BLAIR.—A short time ago a meeting was convened by the Superintendent in his quarters on "Ross Island, Port Blair," for the purpose of taking steps for the establishment of schools for the children of the free and convict inhabitants of the settlement. The principal officers and inhabitants were present, and also several converts and Eurasian and native free residents. Major Ford addressed the meeting as follows:—"I find that we have in the settlement at present, twenty-six children of free European or Eurasian inhabitants, and fifty-two children of convicts; the parents of the former children, I believe, are well-disposed to avail themselves of the advantages that it is hoped the schools will afford; and the parents of the latter—of both boys and girls—have, with but one exception, assured me that they will thankfully avail themselves, as their children become old enough to be taught, of the education that I hope we may be able to commence imparting to them. Here, then, are no less than seventy-eight children, of whom twenty are of Christian parents, for whose education I am very desirous of making early arrangements. Of course, many are in a position to pay for their children's education without any help from the settlement; there are others, however, who, with small salaries, and some with large families dependent on them, are not, and it is for these I would hope some assistance may be here found. I doubt not but that Government will provide for, to some extent, the education of the convict children. There may be many, however, who, in these days of strong effort to extend the blessings of education, may be friendly to the cause of these unfortunate children, the offspring of convicts, to save whom from the fate of their parents, so far as education (the best preventive of crime) can accomplish such an end, is an object well deserving the sympathies of all connected with this settlement." The Rev. Mr. Corbyn then stated that he was most happy to inform the meeting that a school had already been established on this island. Mr. Hill, late Hospital Sergeant in the Naval Brigade, and subsequently in the P. W. Department, had been engaged as schoolmaster on a monthly salary of 60 rupees, and Mr. Green's and Sergeant Thompson's children, and a convict boy, five in all, were attending daily for instruction at his house, a part of which he had temporarily set apart to be used as a school-room, till the completion of a building promised by the Superintendent for the purpose. Having a large library of school books, embracing every branch of education, nothing was now wanting but funds to defray expenditure. The Superintendent in his circular on this subject had spoken of schools, and had therefore evidently in view the establishment of more than one school, and he certainly was of opinion that it would be desirable to have separate schools for the children of the free and the convict inhabitants; for European parents would naturally object to their children being associated with those of the convict population, apprehending moral harm from their companionship with the former. As the plan expanded, expenses would increase; even now, there were not sufficient funds for the payment of the schoolmaster's salary. Resolutions were carried in accordance with the objects of the meeting, and the plan, now fairly set on foot, is likely to be carried to a successful conclusion.—*Friend of India.*

HISTORY OF THE EAST INDIAN COMMUNITY.—We (*Hurkaru*) have been requested to intimate to our readers the approaching publication of a history of the East Indian community since the seventeenth century, containing some interesting particulars of their rise and progress, past and present condition. The work promises to be useful. The author is deserving of patronage, and we trust his intentions will receive the encouragement they merit.

INTRODUCTION OF THE SOVEREIGN AS CURRENCY.—The following is the explanation of the immediate effect of the notification relating to sovereigns, offered by Mr. Bullen, President of the Chamber of Commerce:—"It seemed scarcely likely that when sovereigns were worth as an article of merchandise more than ten rupees parties should be found willing to pay them away as currency at that rate, yet that was what had actually been done to some considerable extent during the last week. He believed the explanation of this was that the Government notification of the previous Saturday had been understood to mean, by the native dealers who were in the habit of buying sovereigns, that Government would in future supply those coins at ten rupees. In consequence the price, which before the appearance of that notification stood at Rs. 10-1-6, or thereabouts, at once fell to Rs. 10, and banks and others who had sovereigns to dispose of, finding they could not obtain more than that price for them in open market, paid them into the office of issue in exchange for notes. This might continue for some little time, but the ultimate effect would be to discourage rather than to encourage the importation of sovereigns, as bankers and others would be likely to cancel standing instructions for remittance in that coin. It was worthy, however, of remark that at the present price of standard gold, Rs. 14-9 per tola, a coin identical in weight and in fineness with the English sovereign could be struck off at the Mint at a cost of only a small fraction above Rs. 10-1, allowing a seniorage of 1 per cent.; but as the actual cost of coining gold was, he believed, only a $\frac{1}{4}$ per cent., an Indian sovereign at this moment could be coined at the required cost of Rs. 10. This measure had not, however, yet been sanctioned by the Home Government."

CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS IN THE CIVIL SERVICE.—We have been given to understand that the following gentlemen of the Civil Service are shortly to be confirmed by the Hon. the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal in the appointments in which they have been acting for nearly the past twelve months, consequent on the permanent appointment of Mr. Charles Hallyburton. Mr. Campbell to the Commissionership of the Rajshaye Division; Mr. Francis B. Simson, Additional Judge of Jessore, to the Civil and Sessions Judgeship of that district; Mr. H. Baring Lawford, Magistrate and Collector of Furrudpore, to the Additional Judgeship of Jessore, *vice* Simson. —*Hurkaru*, Dec. 20.

AN ILLUSTRATED INDIAN PAPER.—We (*Hurkaru*) have before us the prospectus of the *Illustrated Weekly Journal*, the first number of which is promised on Wednesday, the 4th January, 1865. It is an attempt to supply a long-felt desideratum, and we shall be glad, therefore, to see it succeed. A picture gallery of these Anglo-Indians, who have made for themselves a local habitation and a name in this country will be an acquisition of no ordinary value. We trust that the enterprising publishers will not restrict their pages to the likenesses of the living, but will endeavour to secure those of the departed great. These, supplemented by graphic sketches of Indian scenes, Indian races, and Indian archaeology, ought to make the *Illustrated Weekly Journal* welcome in every house in the country. We have also the promise of a good letter-press, but the authors of this project may rest assured that unless the pictures themselves are of a superior character, no amount of good writing will support it.

THE "MATERIA MEDICA" OF CASHMERE.—Dr. Ince, who was deputed last year to Cashmere to report on its "Materia Medica," and furnish an elaborate report on the subject, more especially with reference to the use of wormwood in medicine, has been deputed a second time into the valley, for a more extended inquiry into the same subject.

THE A AND B BATTERIES OF THE C BRIGADE, Royal Horse Artillery, proceed to England. The Viceroy and the Commander-in-Chief have both issued highly flattering farewell orders on the occasion. The A Battery was formerly the 1st Troop, 1st Brigade, and the B Battery 1st Troop, 3rd Brigade of the Bengal Horse Artillery, and they proceed to England for the first time, under the operation of the amalgamation of the British and Indian armies. The career of these two batteries has been a long record of gallant deeds, and to write it would be to write the military history of the British Indian Empire. Of the old first troop of the first brigade, it may be said that a career begun with valour has been pursued with honour. The roll of its achievements may well challenge comparison with that of any artillery corps in the world. From Egypt to the Mutiny, the troop has been ever foremost, ever steadily raising the fame of the regiment to which it belonged, until the Bengal Artillery came to be considered the first in the world. Of its deeds in the dreadful Affghanistan campaign, Sir John Lawrence says that its heroic bearing acquired for the regiment and army to which it belonged undying honour. It must be a proud thing to receive such praise, and a prouder to have deserved it. Of both batteries his Excellency says he "loses the services of such troops with unfeigned regret;" a sentiment which will be echoed by the entire community. —*Hurkaru*, Dec. 19.

COMMERCE OF CALCUTTA.—The following figures will show that the value of the trade of Calcutta has more than doubled itself in the last ten years, and we have only to reflect upon the vast areas devoted to cotton and tea to form some idea of what the increase will be. In Cachar alone, we know that last year the outlay in the district showed an increase of eight lacs, or over 80 per cent. of the outlay of the preceding year. In cotton again, the figures are somewhat startling:—

	A. en.	Produce.	Percentage of increase.
1853 ...	11,35,668 ...	11,32,051 mds. ...	52 for area.
1864 ...	17,30,634 ...	19,48,966 " ...	74 for produce.
We give Mr. Bullen's figures:—			
	Merchandise.	Treasure.	Total.
1853-54 Imports	5,58,98,251	2,12,90,787	7,71,89,038
" Exports	10,67,70,907	74,33,758	11,42,04,665
Total	16,26,69,158	2,87,24,545	19,13,93,703
1863-64 Imports	11,68,63,281	5,51,99,333	16,69,62,614
" Exports	20,94,69,119	2,97,93,166	23,92,62,285
Total	32,63,32,400	8,49,92,499	40,53,24,899
	1853-54.	1863-64.	Increase.
Tote ...	tons 481,140 ...	20,86,474 ...	300 per cent.
Rice ...	160,633 ...	5,00,240 ...	200 "
Unseed ...	cwts 720,420 ...	24,13,059 ...	250 "

—*Hurkaru*.

MEDICAL SERVICE.—Owing to the paucity of officers in the medical service, it was ruled by Government some months ago, that only one medical officer should remain in charge of a convalescent depot in a hill sanitarium on a staff allowance of Rs. 200 a month, instead of two assistant surgeons on Rs. 150 and 100 respectively, when the number of patients exceed one hundred. It has now been decided that the medical officers in charge of those depots shall receive a staff allowance of Rs. 150 only per mensem.

NATIVE EXTORTION.—The native subordinates of the vaccine department in Umritsar have come to grief, we hear, in consequence of their attempts to extort money from the parents of the children on whom they were to operate. They threatened to infuse poison into the arm instead of the vaccine lymph, and in some instances they operated in a way to place the lives of the children in great danger. The deputy commissioner is now investigating the case.

THE 31ST REGIMENT N.I., at Barrackpore, which according to the new relief was to proceed to Cawnpore, is to remain at the former station, probably for another year, in consequence of the Bhootan expedition.

THE TURNBULL FUND.—The friends of the late Colonel Turnbull, of the Engineers, are circulating an appeal with the object of establishing a fund for the endowment of scholarships in aid and encouragement of the education of the *Jats*, a people in whose advancement and welfare the deceased officer is known to have taken a great interest. Colonel Turnbull had himself made a commencement in carrying out such a project, by undertaking at his own expense the education of a few *Jat* boys; and he is known to have taken the greatest interest in the success of the attempt, and to have looked to the education generally of the *Jat* cultivators as an end of high importance, believing the men of this race to be possessed of qualities rendering them more than usually worthy of attention and consideration on the part of their British rulers. In this belief all that know the *Jats* will certainly concur, and it is the object of the appealers to give permanence and consistency to the educational scheme, which was too abruptly broken in upon by the death of its generous and amiable projector. Subscriptions will be received by Lieutenant Moncrieff, R.E., Saharunpore.

AN AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.—Lieutenant Murray, of the Rewah Topographical Survey, in a letter to the Government of the North-Western Provinces, proposes the establishment of an Agricultural College, in which instruction is to be given to one hundred selected students, in the different branches of theoretical and practical agriculture. Lieut. Murray thinks that the present system of Agricultural Exhibitions, which is becoming so popular throughout India, is premature, and that the natives are incapable of understanding or appreciating them. The Agricultural College which Lieut. Murray proposes, combined with model tuitional farms which would in time be self-supporting, will serve as a sound basis of systematic reform. The Lieutenant Governor, while acknowledging the merit of the proposition, thinks that the results proposed by the establishment of experimental farms are more likely to be attained through independent European agency than by any direct efforts of the Government. Normal farms may, when experience has been gained, be found beneficial to landholders, but now, even if all other objections were removed, the Supreme Government have expressed their unwillingness to connect themselves with experimental farming under any guise whatever.

ALLAHABAD AS A HALF-WAY STATION.—The 25th Regiment Punjab N.I., *en route* from the Presidency to Delhi, was at Allahabad on the 8th December, and was to halt there for a few days. The station was enormously crowded with troops passing through; the Bays on the march to Muttra; H.M.'s 55th Regiment going from the Presidency to Lucknow; four companies, H.M.'s 80th, proceeding to Darjeeling; the head-quarters and wing of the 36th N.I. coming down to Barrackpore; Sladen's battery of Royal Horse Artillery on its way down to Synthia, the Presidency, and England; and last, and most serious, a vast standing camp full of time-expired men, coming down to the Presidency, to quit the country and the service. These troops were all on the move through Allahabad; and the 25th Native Infantry was to have resumed its progress towards Delhi on the 11th. The weather at Allahabad is still warm, even hot at times, during the day, with cold nights.

VACCINATION.—Dr. Brake, at present in civil employ at Simla, is shortly to assume charge of vaccine operations in the Central Provinces. It is stated that Government have agreed to a scheme, drawn up by Mr. John Strachey before his departure from Nagpore, for the prosecution of vigorous vaccine operations under European supervision within the district of Nagpore and Chindwarra.

THE GORUCKPORE POLICE have been warned to hold themselves in readiness for service in Bhootan.

INSANITY IN INDIA.—A fanciful writer in the *Hills*, of Mussoorie, makes the following estimate of insanity in India. "One insane being assumed for every thousand individuals; and the population of Bengal, North-Western Provinces and Punjab at 100,000,000. Therefore the insanes of the Bengal Presidency equal 100,000, instead of 1,500 as before laid down on the mere strength of registration in existing asylums! The difference of 98,500, it must be observed, is based not on mere fictitious grounds, but on a scale coinciding with actual Government army records. By this scale we should be led to calculate the number of demented persons in the British Indian territories at about 135,000—in the following proportions:—

In Bengal and the N.W. Provinces	85,500
Punjab	14,500
Madras	23,000
Bombay	12,000
Total	135,000

Again, the population of native and foreign states, together, amounted in 1858 to 50,465,366, which (taking the same average), would give us, roughly, 50,000 more lunatics. We thus arrive at a sum total of 185,000 insanes over the length and breadth of the Indian peninsula (1,476,316 square miles). The same writer collects facts regarding insanity in different countries, with a praiseworthy diligence which shows how he grows enamoured of the subject. In England and Wales the proportion of lunatics is one to every 300 of the population. In France one to 795. In Norway one to 551. In Duke's Country, America, it is one to 159! The last fact is perfectly demonstrated by the war which is raging in that unhappy continent. Figures undoubtedly show that the ratio of insanity among all nations in the world is on the increase, and we can well believe it, considering how they are all going wrong from day to day. But it is also true that a great deal more of madness is outside than inside of jails and asylums; and that the former is much the more dangerous of the two."

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY.—The railways in this country cannot be said, as yet, to have had their utility in time of war put to any test that would fairly indicate its extent and value; but if we are to reason from what they cannot do, as regards conveying troops in a time of profound peace, we should not be very sanguine as to their war qualification, at least in their present single line condition. The headquarters of H.M.'s 54th regiment have been expected and wanted at the Presidency, from Benares, for a week past; but there has been no train available to bring them down, and Captain Sladen's troop of Royal Horse Artillery, *en route* to the Presidency, has also been detained at Benares from the same cause. We believe, too, that vast quantities of goods have accumulated at the stations all along the line of the East Indian Railway, insufficient means of carriage and the single line difficulty having brought matters to this inconvenient condition. In case of this important line of railway being required to-morrow for war purposes of any magnitude, it appears probable that all commerce along the line would be completely stopped. For, even in a time of profound peace, it is unable to contribute efficiently to the ordinary movements of troops in the busy season, and at the same time carry on its ordinary work. If, as we are glad to think, this speaks well for the prosperity of the East Indian Railway line, it nevertheless speaks badly of its efficiency and utility in emergency, and we should strongly suggest to everyone the advisability of doubling the line, a thing which must one day be done, and the delay in accomplishing which may at any time create serious inconvenience, if nothing worse.—*Englishman*.

MORE OFFICIOUS THAN OFFICIAL.—Our readers are probably aware that among those who were rewarded by Government, shortly after the cessation of the mutiny in the Upper Provinces, was Mr. Schilling, the Principal of the Martiniere of Lucknow. This gentleman received a grant of land of the annual rental of Rs. 10,000. When about to proceed to England, not long ago, he requested Capt. Thompson, officiating commissioner of the Khyrabad Division, to manage his estates for him during his absence. That officer consented to do so, and, we believe, fulfilled his engagement. This, it will be allowed, was a proceeding rather irregular in its character, and we are not, therefore, surprised to hear that the Governor General has come down on him with a severe wiggling, remarking that his conduct was inconsistent with his duty to Government, and that he deserved to be removed from his appointment of Officiating Commissioner of Khyrabad.—*Hurkaru*.

CALCUTTA CENTRAL AND NORMAL SCHOOLS.—The distribution of prizes at the Calcutta Central and Normal Schools took place on the 14th Dec. The Hon. W. Muir presided, and among the visitors were Lady Lawrence and her two daughters, and a large number of ladies and gentlemen interested in native female education. The Normal School was established some thirteen years ago, for the purpose of educating teachers, more particularly with a view to their entering the zenanas. The Central School was founded forty years ago, and admits boarders and day scholars. Both the schools have been amalgamated since 1857, and the Central School is now used as a training-ground for the Normal School, in which the pupils of the latter perform the duties of teachers.

FALL OF A CORNICE IN CALCUTTA.—A sad and fatal accident has occurred from the giving way of a portion of the cornice of the new Post Office building. It appears that the masonry, not being of the best materials, yielded suddenly, while seven men were working on the roof in adjusting the iron beam, three of which, with a great portion of brickwork fell, bringing down three unfortunate men and the entire scaffolding. Three men died on the spot, three others on their way to hospital, and as the seventh is also very badly hurt, we fear there is no chance of his recovery. The Coroner's inquest may discover carelessness somewhere, which will account for this very bad affair.

THE LAST OF THE MAHARANEE CHUNDA KOUR.—A contemporary quotes a letter from the *Scindian*, in which the writer states that he saw the body of the late Ranee Jhunn la burnt on the banks of the Godavery. The fact is simply this, that as the Sikh priests refused to burn it unless they were paid a lac of rupees, and as Maharajah Dhulkeep Singh refused to give anything like that sum, and as the Custom-house authorities voted the hog'shead which contained the "mortal remains" of the defunct lady a nuisance, both barrel and body were flung away, and rolled most likely to the bottom of the sea in the vicinity of Bombay Castle.—*Hurkaru*.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.—By a resolution, in the *Gazette*, Persian has been added to the list of subjects in which officers appointed to the Political Department must pass an examination. These are now "Indian History," "Mill's Political Economy," Vol. I of "Austin's Jurisprudence," "Maine's Ancient Law," "Wheaton's International Law," and "Aitchison's Treaties."

DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS.—The services of Mr. J. L. Lushington, the deputy auditor and accountant, Bengal, being temporarily required by Mr. Foster, the English financial commissioner, Mr. H. D. Sandeman, the civil paymaster, has been directed by his Excellency the Viceroy to take up the current duties of Mr. Lushington's office, in addition to the work of his own office.

NEW MARKET AT KIDDERPORE.—There was a Masonic display on the occasion of laying the foundation-stone of a European market at Kidderpore. Thirteen lodges marched in procession to the locality selected for the ceremony, and there the stone was laid in a workmanlike manner by Mr. Sandeman, the Provincial Grand Master of Masons in Bengal, cups of corn, wine, and oil being poured upon it in due Masonic fashion. The new market is intended for the benefit of the Christian inhabitants of Kidderpore, Alipore, Cooly Bazaar, Garden Reach, and Fort William, and will be an immense convenience to them.

A ROYAL BIRTH-DAY IN SIAM.—The King of Siam, who has just entered on his sixtieth year, has been celebrating his birth-day in royal fashion. Illuminations and fireworks on a grand scale were exhibited to the people, to whom the occasion was a general holiday. A grand entertainment was given to the foreign community, at which, however, owing to some faulty arrangements, dissatisfaction was felt by the guests, and nearly all the merchants deserted what is described as "a rich and sumptuous banquet" in a body. The dinner given to the Bhuddist priests was not marked by any disagreeable incident, and some thousand of these gentry were fed by his Majesty in honour of the day.

THE BENGAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE has issued its report of the meeting held on the 3rd Dec. One of the points alluded to by Mr. Bullen, the President, was that of bridging the Hooghly. He hoped no one was entertaining that scheme, "for he should have thought the late cyclone had demonstrated the great danger to which a bridge within range of the shipping would be exposed." Nevertheless, there can be no harm in making further investigations into the subject. Screw moorings for 100 vessels have been ordered from England, for the use of ships in the river.

TITLES IN OUDE.—The Chief Commissioner of Oude was instructed by the Supreme Government to investigate the claims of certain native gentlemen to titular distinctions, and the result, as confirmed by the Viceroy in Council, is now published. Nine Rajahs are allowed to keep their titles for life, one has got the privilege extended to his son, while fifteen are declared entitled to it in perpetuity. There is a Nawabship pronounced hereditary; and a Raiship expires with the present holder. Of the Rajahs, four happen to be Mahomedans.

CAPTAIN GRIFFIN, of the Bengal Artillery, who lost his life by the accident of a magazine blowing up at Dalimkote, had seen some service. He was in the trenches before Sebastopol, and commanded a battery throughout the late frontier war at Umbeylah, during which, the *Mofussilite* states, he rendered excellent service on several critical occasions. The Commander-in-Chief selected him for the charge of the Armstrong mountain battery with the Bhootan expedition.

A NATIVE TURFITE.—The *Delhi Gazette* hears from Nusseerabad that no little excitement prevails there, among the sporting community especially, owing to its having been discovered that the well-known horse *Flea*, the winner of several races on former occasions elsewhere, has been entered as a *maiden* in the Rajpootana meeting, under the name of *Beauty*, and as such has carried off the Joudpore cup, &c. *Flea*, alias *Beauty*, is the property of the Nuwab of Jowra.

TAMPERING WITH THE TELEGRAPH.—The Chambers of Commerce in Calcutta, Bombay, and Madras have agreed jointly to contribute towards the expenses of a criminal prosecution, in the event of the parties who have for a long time been systematically tampering with the telegraph at Galle, on the arrival of the steamer from China, being discovered, and for whose discovery a reward of Rs. 5,000 has been publicly offered.

TIME IS MONEY.—We hear from Lucknow that the petitioners under the late Bahoo Begum's Wuseeka have claimed to be paid according to the Mahomedan months, and that the Governor-general considers their claim a just one. There are twelve Mahomedan or lunar months and eleven days in every solar year, so that the Wusukadars will draw an extra month's stipend every third year.

WORK FOR THE LEGISLATURE.—At the Governor-general's Council on the 23rd Dec., Mr. Maine brings in a Bill making regulations for the management and preservation of Government forests, and Mr. Anderson introduces the Marriage Act. Mr. Cust will ask for leave to introduce a "Bill for regulating the judicial powers of the financial commissioner of Oude." This is the principal business to be brought forward.

ALL SAINTS V. THE SCOTTISH SAINT.—The *Chronicle* states that an abortive attempt was made to get up a Saint Andrew's dinner at Lahore this year. There was no want of Scotchmen, but some were keen, others lukewarm, and there was no unanimity. It has since been proposed to have an "All Saints" dinner. As this arrangement would include all nationalities, it would probably be successful.

THE REMOVAL OF DR. WILLIAMS from his post of Government Agent at the Court of Ava was not the work of the Governor-general, as some suppose, though there was more than sufficient in that officer's proceedings to excite the wrath of the Viceroy, but the result of the distinct instructions from Sir Charles Wood to that effect.

BOISRAGON V. MOORE.—The case of Major Boiragon v. Mr. Moore, of the Bengal Civil Service, for *crim. con.*, was decided on the 22nd Dec. in the High Court. No defence was entered into. Damages were awarded to the amount of Rs. 5,000.—*Hurkaru*.

THE 40TH N.I., under orders for the N.W. Provinces, will probably leave the Presidency by the latter end of December, or as soon as it is relieved by the 29th N.I., now on its march from those provinces.

A MR. WALLACE applied the other day, we hear, for permission to supply the King of Ava with rifles, but the Viceroy has placed his veto on the application.

MR. THORNTON, D.C.L., has been permanently appointed secretary to the Punjab Government on Rs. 2,000 per mensem.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 19. Rangoon, Lewis, Moulmein; Amedea, Nacoda, Jundia.—20. Orient, Cade, London; Wallace, Evans, —; Burling, Douglas, —; Lightning, Hirkland, Bombay.—22. Renown, Taylor, London.—23. Stree Yealatchuny, Nacoda, Moulmein; Electra, Wordgate, Shanghai; St. Haddington, Browne, Bombay.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per str. Renown.—Mr. Gordon, Mrs. Turnbull, Mr. Townsend and family, Mrs. Brown and child, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Smyth, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Hynd, Mr. Hyard, Mr. Tuilock, Mr. Hugginson, Mr. Taylor, Miss Blackie, Miss Anderson, Miss Gregg, Miss Preyre, Miss Bailey, Miss Richbell, Miss Ede, Miss M. Ede, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Partridge, Mrs. Hand, Mrs. H. Everett, Mrs. Bartlett, Col. Go d'm, 91st Highlanders, Dr. Townsend, Bengal Army, Capt. Tucker, Bengal Engineers, Capt. Smyth, R.E., Mr. Fisher, 7th Hussars, Mr. Osborne, 9th Regt., Mr. Jackson, 23rd Regt., Mr. Trevanion, Bengal Army, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Scott, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Webb, Mr. Leslie, Mr. Hay, Mr. Mosley, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Grey, four Masters Marks.

Per Rangoon.—Mrs. Faithfull, Mr. and Mrs. Van Grichen, Mrs. McMahon and two infants, Mrs. James, Mrs. James, jun., the Rev. E. J. Marks, H. C. McMahon, Mr. J. Simpson, Mr. B. Charleston, Mr. James, John Wilken Perry, James Jackson, Joseph Wite, Louis De Queasy, Benjamin Flowers, John Edwards, Henry Fedder.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 1. Sir John Lawrence, Ellery, Bombay.—2. Rangoon, Lewis, Akyab, Rangoon, and Moulmein; Cashmere, Madisson, Bombay; John Lidzett, Robertson, Bombay; Louisa, Scowcroft, Bombay.—3. Alicia Bland, Brown, Bombay.—4. Erymauche, Jehenne, Galle; Comoria, Jaunton, Bombay; Sigisbert Cezard, Moulin, Alora Bay; Golden Horn, Rice, London.—5. British India, Patching, Bombay.—6. Bushire Merchant, Nacoda, Bombay; Orissa, Templeton, Chittagong and Akyab; War Egrie, Moulth, Straits and Hong Kong; Alabama, Heidenbroch, Bombay.—7. Lady Egidia, Curry,

London; Knight Commander, Quine, Dundee; Jahu Masterman, May, Bombay; Alice Mary, Tosh, Shanghai.—9. Calcutta, Young, London; Nicholas Carvin, Sharp, Bombay.—10. Caudia, Macnamara, Suez; St. Joseph, Pallier, Bourbon.—11. Mrs. Anderson, Bombay.—12. Golden City, Martin, Bombay; Allum Ghier, Henderson, Bombay; Akbar, Chase, Hull; Oriana, Guthrie, London; Aberdeen, Cole, Mauritius.—13. Childwall Abbey, Banks, London; Bolton Abbey, Bartlett, Liverpool; Raoul et Magdeleine, Lancelot, Reunion Island.—14. Annot Lyle, Shaw, Bombay; Palmyra, Richards, Bombay.—15. Colerum, Case, Mauritius.—16. str. India, ships India and Alumbagh, ports not mentioned.—17. str. Burmah, Le Saint Philibert, Lord Lyndhurst, Providence, Royal Alexandra, Delange, Water Witch, Madratia, Romania, and Thorndean, ports not mentioned.—18. Nile, Calabar, and Robert Lees, ports not mentioned.—19. str. Prince Arthur; Schah Jehan, and Teazer, ports not mentioned.—21. Clarence, Gustave, Royal Oak, Botanist, and Lady Palmerston, ports not mentioned.—23. Mail str. Mooltan, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Mooltan.—Mr. Martelle, Capt. J. Danbuz, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Leupott. For Bombay.—Dr. Fittes. For Hong Kong.—Mr. and Mrs. Collins. For Marseilles.—Mr. Stephenson, Mrs. Atkins, Mrs. Oakes, Lieut. Verney, Rifle Brigade, Mr. J. S. Begg, Capt. E. M. Zallier, Lieut. W. E. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Munckun, Mrs. Erskine, Miss McGilivray, Mr. E. C. Wynne, Lieut. Sir G. Parker. For Southampton.—Mrs. Lowen, Mr. Reuter, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mr. M. Donnelly, Mr. Coombe, Mrs. Todd and children, Mrs. Dechall, Mr. Prinsep, Mr. Bower, Mr. Hindmarsh, Mrs. Webb.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, Dec. 23, 1864.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price.
4 per Cent., Sa.	Sa. Rs. 89	Rs. 10 0 to 10 4 1/2
Do. Transfer Stock.	Sa. Rs. 90	...
4 per Cent. Co's Rs.	Co's Rs. 94 1/2	9 to 9 1/2 dis
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co's Rs. 100	3 8 to 3 10 pm.
5 1/2 per Cent.	Co's Rs. 100	9 to 9 1/4
5 per cent., 56-57.	Co's Rs. 100	2 1/2 to 2 3/4 pm

EXCHANGE.

	On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight	2 1/2 to 2 1/4
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight	2 1 to 2 1/2
Bills with Docs.	at 6 months' sight	2 1/4 to 2 1/2-16
Bank Post Bills	at 1 months' sight	2 0 to 2 0 1/2

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

	Stock.	Paid-up.	Quoted at
	Ra. each.	Ra.	Ra.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	100	1400 to 1410
Alliance Tea Company	85	10	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	200	525	525 to 530
Baham Tea Company	100	185	185 to 190
Bank of Bengal	1000	1962 1/2	1975
Do. Interest bearing	400	7900	8200
Beerbhoom Coal Company	1000	800	870
Do.	200	Nom.	175
Bengal Coal Company	1000	1150	1175
Bengal Printing Company	100	15	10 dis.
Bengal River Company	1000	550	535
Bengal Tea Company	100	245	250
Do.	80	90	100 pm.
Bengal Oil Company	250	par	Nominal
Bishnauth Tea Company	200	240	245
Do.	175	25	30 pm.
Bonded Warehouse Association	445	690	700
British India Tea	80	par	...
Burdwan Stone Company	100	75	80
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	175	180
Do. (Contributory)	115	20	25 dis.
Cachar Tea Company	600	740	745
Do.	400	40	45 pm.
Calcutta Docking Company	700	1370	1375
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	530	540
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	52	52	...
Central Assam Tea Company	100	110	115
Central Cachar Tea Company	200	290	295
Chattahar Tea Company	25	5	10 dis.
Commercial Transport Association	100	par	...
Dehra Dun Tea Company	100	10	5 dis.
Delhi Bank Corporation	500	730	750
Dooch Tea Company	100	5	10 dis.
Durrang Tea Company	45	8	dis. to par
E. B. Indigo Company	100	75	80
East India Coal Company	100	38	40
East India Railway Company	218	218	219
East India Tea Company	100	125	135
Do.	80	15	20 pm.
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	120	125
Do.	75	15	20 pm.
Eastern Bengal Railway Company	218	219	220
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000	1450	1470
Eastman and Company	250	220	225
Equitable Coal Company	250	220	Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	500	245	250
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	315	320
Gola Ghaut Tea Company	250	5	15 dis.
Goosery Cotton Mills	60	1000	1050
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	10	15 dis.
Hoghtly Steam Tug Company	1000	135	140
Hoghtly Lighter Association	80	105	110
Hope Town Tea Association	100	105	110
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	200	40 dis.
Howrah Docking Company	500	540	545
Hunter and Company	250	745	750
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	1300	1350
Jorchaud Tea Company	200	250	par
Kunchinore Tea Company	10-0	20	25 dis.
Kurseong and Darjeeling Tea Co.	250	par	...
Landing Shipping	100	par	...
Leibong and Minchou Tea Company	65	50	55 pm.
Lower Assam Tea Company	35	par	...
Luckimpore Tea Company	155	50	55 pm.
Monacherra Tea Company	60	par	...
Muttuck Tea Company	80	par	...

Mutual Tea Company	100	116 to 110
Do.	80	70 to 75
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	5 pm. Nom.
New Fort Gloster Company	600	1400 to 1450
Peoples Bank of India	100	75 to 80
Punjab Bank	100	100 to 110
Punjab Trading	75	10 pm.
Punjab Tea Company	100	100
Do.	37	par Nominal
Ramghur Tea Company	100	par
Do.	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	142
R. Scott Thomson and Company	500	505 to 510
Screwing Company (Limited)	200	15 to 20 dis.
Sea Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.
Sechsangor Tea Company	100	5 to 10 dis.
Simla Club	500	610 to 620
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Soom Tea Company	75	100
Soorisore Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1520
Do.	750	450 to 490 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100	15 to 20 dis.
Spence's Hotel Company	250	20 to 35 dis.
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	200	160 to 170
Tirhoot Indigo	200	210 to 212
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	240 to 245
Do.	60	par Nominal
Union Steam Tug Company	250	220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	100	180
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to 240
Do.	150	par to 5 dis.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
Saltpetre	20 0 0 to 0 0 0	Nominal.
Sugar	Nominal.	Nominal.
Rice	Nominal.	Nominal.
Seeds	3 5 0 to 0 0 0	0 0 0 to 0 0 0
Jute	3 2 6 to 3 5 0	0 0 0 to 0 0 0
Cotton	0 0 0 to 0 0 0	0 0 0 to 0 0 0

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE HON. MR. MALTBY, who has so long deservedly occupied a conspicuous place in the estimation of the whole community, leaves us by the present steamer with his family, who—like himself—are universally respected, to return no more. Mr. Maltby bears with him from India not only an unblemished reputation in public and private life, but likewise the grateful recollection of all classes and races in these parts, that he has been for thirty-six years past a very valuable servant of the state; filling various offices, from the lowest to the highest grade of the Civil Service, and filling each well. His departure will be in every sense much regretted, but it fortunately happens that he has an able successor in Council, the Hon. Mr. Phillips, who has already won much honour, and will no doubt do much to compensate us for the loss of Mr. Maltby. The Society of Madras testified their respect for the latter, by entertaining him at dinner at the club a few days since. A large number of gentlemen, chiefly composed of the leading members of the community, were present, his Excellency the Governor heading the list. There was in the entertainment nothing which we may not safely leave to the imagination of our readers, except the unexpected and most welcome presence of the Honorable Shurf Ool Oomrah. It was the first time that we have seen in Madras a native gentleman joining in a dinner of the kind, but we heartily trust it may not be the last, and that our native friends and fellow subjects may always be equally fortunate in their representative.—*Madras Athenæum*, Dec. 27.

WASTE LANDS IN BRITISH BURMAH.—The question of waste lands in British Burmah is attracting the attention of the Government of India. Recently, upon an application from a Mr. Macdonald for a grant of land in the Martaban district in which that gentleman had discovered a kind of lead, the Viceroy decided upon permitting him to have the land on condition that he paid a moderate rent after a certain term of years, as well as a royalty on the out-turn of the mines from the commencement of the working. In the case of waste lands in Arracan, his Excellency has also determined to leave to capitalists the option either of buying waste lands set up for sale at the published rate, and under the recent rules, or of paying a small annual revenue after a fixed number of years, on the principle of the old rules.

THE MEMORIAL HALL.—We (*Athenæum*) are requested to make known that the Memorial Hall which has so long been under construction will be opened for public use at the beginning of the ensuing year. The first occasion of its use will be the Union Prayer Meetings, which will be held on the first week in January, and thus the inauguration of the hall will be very appropriately combined with a religious gathering of the most catholic character. The first meeting will be held on Monday, January 2nd, when an address will be given as part of the proceeding in relation to the hall. The second meeting will take place on Saturday, the 7th, when one of the prayers will have reference to the same. A collection after each meeting will be made in aid of the expenses that have been or have to be incurred for the platform and sittings. The hall will be supplied on the occasion of these meetings with borrowed seats, but it is hoped that a sufficient sum may be collected to supply it with sittings of its own for the future, as much of its practical usefulness will depend on its being in all respects suitably furnished and made convenient for public meetings. We trust, therefore, the collection will be a liberal one. A building of this kind, affording complete facility for public meetings, has long been needed, and will be of great advantage to the people of Madras. We hear that the employment of the hall is by no means to be restricted to meetings of a religious character, but that it will be available for all useful purposes. As a proof of this we are informed that the University of Madras has engaged the hall for the First Arts Examination in February next.

DEATH OF THE REV. S. NORMINGTON.—We (*Bangalore Herald*, Dec. 14) regret to have to record the death from fever of the Rev. S. Normington, of the Wesleyan Mission, after a very short illness. The rev. gentleman had been less than a year in the country, but during the few months he was, he gained the good will and attachment of all he came in contact with, and his death to all who possessed his acquaintance is cause for deep sorrow, and will be a loss to the Wesleyan Mission not easily to be replaced. He died at the early age of 25 years, and leaves a widowed mother and family in England.

THE REV. DR. WINSLOW.—On the 26th of August last we (*Athenæum*) noticed the departure of this venerable missionary to America, after having served for more than half a century in this country. He left in the *Barham*, and just lived to reach the Cape, where the ship arrived on the 20th of October, and we have information which leads us to believe that he died on the 21st or the following day. He was visited by the Rev. Samuel Hardey, late of Madras, and he recognised Mr. Hardey at once, saying to him, "When you were about leaving India I came and prayed at your bedside, and now you have come to do the same for me." He is buried near a child of Mr. Hardey's.

DEATH OF A KANDIAN CHIEF.—The *Colombo Observer* notices the death of the famous Kandian Chief, Deligame Nawaratne Attepattoo Wahale Mudianse Diwe Nilleme. He was one of the three chiefs who survived the ancient dynasty, and had held office under the late King of Kandy. When vaccination was first introduced among the Kandians, he was foremost in promoting the innovation, and received a gold medal and chain from the British Government as a mark of the estimation in which his services were held. At the time of his death he was in his seventieth year.

A LAMP-POST OF A MAN.—We learn that a man said to be eight feet high is travelling about the country. He has been drawing crowds at Kampotee and Nagpore. The person who gives the account had the curiosity to visit him, and says he is upwards of eight feet high, but a mere skeleton, and stoops very much, so that he does not look so tall as he really is. He must be making a fortune,

for every one who visits him gives from one anna to a rupee, the natives as usual looking upon him as something wonderful.

FALL OF RAIN.—On a single day during the week ending the 20th of November, 9.35 in. of rain were registered in Madras. This was an extraordinary fall for the advanced period of the year, and such a down-pour has occurred on five occasions only since the year 1822.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 12. War Eagle, —, Calcutta.—13. P. & O. str. Candia, —, Calcutta.—14. str. Arabia, —, Bombay.—15. General Caulfield, —, Morton Bay.—20. Auguste Durin, Ganyau, Pondicherry.—21. Regina, Linthorne, Adelaide; Accrington, Christie, London.—22. Marion, Proctor, Ballasore and Vizagapatnam; str. Erymanthe, Jehenne, Galle and Pondicherry; str. India, Greig, Calcutta.—25. Delangle, Dupone, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Regina.—Mrs. Parry and three children, Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Harvey.
Per Accrington.—Capt. and Mrs. Græme.
Per str. Erymanthe.—For MADRAS.—Capt. Campbell, Lieut. Varless, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Seyton, Miss Seyton, Mary Anne Gelasty, Messrs. Percy and Gonyte, M. de la Foularde, Mr. Tazner, Mr. Rae, Mr. Merlens, Mr. Immae, the Rev. De Ponier, Mr. Griller, Mr. Florry, Mr. Violette, Lice Camille, Mr. Tomson, Mr. Boss, Mr. E. de Fanchour, Mr. Eruy, Mr. Varroy, Mr. Colgue, M. de Vinay, Mr. Liantier. For CALCUTTA.—Mr. and Mrs. Osborne, Mr. Helmon, M. Gonlon, Bason, Mrs. Gaillone, Obora, De Brummer, Mr. Walter, Mrs. Walter, Mr. Earnest Hanson, Mr. L. Lander, Mr. Weinhold, Major Triver, the Rev. Mr. Veret, the Rev. Mr. Bartern, Mr. Peterson Saunders, the Rev. Mr. Guerier, Miss Legrand, the Rev. Mr. Waikie, Mr. W. Moule, Mr. Charjorn, Mr. G. Carjorn, Mr. Blacker, Mr. Boucher, Mr. Paterson, Mr. Hugh Fletuker, Mr. Galrain, Mr. Stuart, Mrs. Milhan, Mr. Danerson, Mr. Matthews, Mr. Tazner, Mr. Freestrick, Mr. Ondron, Mr. Lombard, Mr. Andria.
Per str. India.—For MADRAS.—The Hon. R. S. Ellis, C.B., Mr. W. M. Edd, Mr. A. C. Young, Mrs. Dunlop and child, Mr. L. Vally, Mrs. Forth and two children, Mrs. Moloney and three children, Mr. R. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, Lieut.-col. Nott, Mr. and Mrs. Natall and four children, Lieut.-col. Maloney, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. W. Bowden, Mrs. Kennedy, Asst.-apothecaries E. Vint and H. Wells. For BOMBAY.—Mr. B. Barker, Mr. W. Hamilton.
Per str. Euphrates.—The Rev. Mr. Sanders, wife, and five children, the Rev. Cockill, wife, and two children.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 13. str. Comorin, Taunton, Bombay.—14. P. and O. str. Candia, Macnamara, Galle, Adeu, and Suex.—15. str. Arabia, —, Calcut.—23. str. Erymanthe, Jehenne, Calcutta.—23. str. India, Greig, Bombay.—25. Munsart, Debalch, Martinique.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Munsart.—Mr. H. Martine, Mr. Edmond Lecot, Mr. E. N. Prudhomme.

COMMERCIAL.

Madras, Dec. 27, 1864.

BANK OF MADRAS.

Interest on Loans on deposit of Govt. Securities...	7 per ct.
On Cash Credits on do. (subject to commission of ½ per cent. on the sum granted) on amount drawn.....	7 per ct.
Discount on Government Bills	5 per ct.
Ditto on Private Bills, at or within 3 months.....	9 per ct.
Loans on deposit of Government paper.....	7 per ct.

EXCHANGES.

Document Bills, at 6 months' sight.....	2 1½
Credit to 6 months.....	2 0½
Agents' Bills on England, at 6 months	2 0½
" " at 3 months	2 0
" " at 1 month	1 11½
" " at sight	1 11½
H.M.'s Treasury Bills	None.
Bank of England Post Bills.....	None.
Mauritius Government Bills.....	Nominal.
Ceylon ditto	"
Court of Directors' Billon the Government of Bengal, 30 days' sight	None.
Agents' Bills on Calcutta, 30 days	½ dis.
Ditto on Bombay	½ dis.

RATES OF ADVANCE.

On Govt. 5½ per cent. Promissory Notes.....	100 per ct.
Ditto 5 ditto ditto	95 per ct.
Ditto 4½ ditto ditto	90 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Stock Receipts	80 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Promissory Notes Sicca	85 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto Company's	75 per ct.
Ditto 3½ ditto ditto ditto	per ct.
On Tanjore ditto ditto	98 per ct.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

5½ per cent. Loan	1859 ..	10½ pm
5 per cent. ditto.....	1856-57 ..	2½ 3 pm
4 per cent.	1832-53 ..	
Ditto.....	1835-36 ..	
Ditto.....	1843-43 ..	8½ dis
Ditto.....	1854-55 ..	
5 per cent. Transferable Book Debt	No transaction.	
Tanjore Bonds	½ per ct. dis.	
Bank of Madras Shares.....	126	125 per ct. pm.

PRICE OF BULLION.

Sovereigns each Rs. 10-3-6

FREIGHTS.

To London and Liverpool—Rice, nom.; Sugar, 20. Os.; Indigo, 24. Os.; Hides and Skins, 24. Os.; Cotton, 23 15s.; Coffee, nom.; Seeds, nom.

BOMBAY.

SPECIMEN OF AN ABRIDGED CATECHISM FOR THE USE OF "YOUNG BOMBAY."

Benevolent Instructor: Come here, my young friend, and answer my questions boldly. What is the great object to live for? Young Bombay: Making money.

B. I.: Quite right. Now what are the best ways of making money?

Y. B.: There are very many ways, but perhaps the two best are developing the resources of the country, and being public-spirited.

B. I.: What do you mean by developing the resources of the country?

Y. B.: Embarking in a speculation that will return at least cent. per cent.

B. I.: And what is public spirit?

Y. B.: It is also known as "patriotism." It means making about 250 per cent. on the money you invest. Erecting some public building out of your profits is also known as "patriotism," and is not a bad investment, though the returns are not very tangible at first.

B. I.: When in these ways you have made much money, what are the consequences?

Y. B.: You are regarded as a public benefactor, and everything you do or say will be applauded. The representatives of H.M.'s Government will take every opportunity of expressing their high sense of your exceeding merit. People who now hardly condescend to look at you will attend your levees and obsequiously wait on you in the hope of getting shares. Every fresh investment you make will be regarded as a fresh benefaction to the public and as deserving the renewed thanks of Government.

B. I.: What, then, is the great practical lesson to be laid to heart?

Y. B.: That which Horace inculcated long ago.

Rem facias, rem,

Recte (si possis), si non quicunque modo rem.

By becoming wealthy you *ipso facto* become honourable, virtuous, and the best of citizens. Such is the opinion of our Government and of all whose opinion is worth having.

B. I.: You have answered quite correctly, my young friend; as you have learned your lesson so well, now go and act on it. The poor man only is an object of contempt, therefore avoid poverty by all means and seek wealth. Never forget this great principle, and you will thrive and be honoured by all.—*Bombay Gazette.*

MISCELLANEOUS.

NATIVE PUBLIC SPIRIT.—On the 2nd of November a meeting was held at Ahmedabad (Deccan) for the purpose of collecting funds in aid of the old and infirm in the city and suburbs. It was composed of European and native gentlemen; the proposition laid before them was to establish a fund for the purpose, consisting of donations as well as monthly subscriptions. One of the native speakers, in true Oriental fashion, threw political economy to the winds, assuring his hearers "that our comfort, wealth, and happiness are dependent on the poor, and as long as they are capable of maintaining themselves we are at ease, but while they are starving in consequence of the present famine prices of grain, if we do not pity them it is not unlikely that there will be an interruption in our comfort. He therefore earnestly requested all the gentlemen to

sympathise with them and do their best in subscribing towards the relief fund, to alleviate their present calamity. It was, moreover, necessary to establish a Grain Company. He did not concur with Mr. Kikabhai, that our worthy Shetts would not willingly come forward as applicants for shares; they would, he hoped, cheerfully take an interest in a matter of such importance to the welfare of their fellow-citizens, and throw away all considerations regarding profit." Before the assembly broke up the subscription list was run up to 21,000 rupees, the amount of monthly contributions separately aggregating 1,200 rupees. A "loan fund" has been started, which, it is expected, will soon realise two lacs of rupees. The donations and subscriptions are mostly native.

FOLLOWING IT UP.—The Bombay Government is resolved to prove to the Viceroy in Council how unpopular the public service has become in that part of India, owing to the wretched manner in which it is starved. We hear that a circular has been issued to the heads of departments desiring information respecting the number of employees who have left the service within the past two years.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, Dec. 29, 1864.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks—at	
6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s. 1½d. to 2s. 1½d.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 1½d. Cred. Bills.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 1½d. Docts.	
On Calcutta, at sight, per 100	100½
Ditto at 30 days' ditto	9½
Ditto at 60 days' ditto	9½
On Madras, at 30 days' ditto	100½
On China, at 60 days' ditto	Rs. 223 per 100 doles.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES

Agra Bank (Rs. 500)	180 pr. cent pm
Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000)	285 do.
Bank of India (Rs. 25)	55 pm.
Broker's Banking Co. (Rs. 20)	16 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 250)	60 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200)	120 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500)	125 xd
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200)	100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 20)	83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 250)	190 do. inc. n. sh.
Oriental Bank Corporation (Rs. 250)	170 do.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25)	44 x.d. do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000)	127 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000)	Rs. 31,000 p. sh.
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 2,700)	Rs. 6,000 p. sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667)	Rs. 14,750 p. sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co.:—	
(A) share (Rs. 6,000)	Rs. 155,000 pm.
(B) share (Rs. 6,000)	
Frere Press Co. (Rs. 250)	Rs. 45,000 pm.
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,200)	
Great Indian Peninsular Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 218.3.0)	10 prem.
Ditto, New 220 Shares (Rs. 87.4.4)	Rs. 5 prem.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Co. (Rs. 1,000)	par.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 300 prem.
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company (Rs. 1,100)	Rs. 150 prem.
Manockjee Pitty's Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 850)	Rs. 75 prem.
House and Land Investment Co. (Rs. 200)	Rs. par
Bombay Shipping Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 4,000
Iron Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 200 dis.
Oriental Ship Owning Association (Rs. 250)	Rs. 25 pm.
Prince of Wales Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 400 dis.
Western India Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. par
Hydraulic Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 3,000 p. sh.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Four per Cent. Sica Rs. Trans. Loan	Rs. 95
" " Sica Rs. Loan 1832-33	" 95
" " Co.'s Rs. Loan 1835-36	" 92½
" " " 1842-43	" 92½
" " " 1854-55	" 102½
Five per Cent. Co.'s Rs. Loan	" 110½
Five-and-a-Half per Cent.	" 110½

PRICE OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns	each, Rs. 10.3
Bank of England Notes	" 10
Spanish Dollars	" 210
Caroline Dollars	" 290
Mexican Dollars	" 230
Five Franc Pieces, Rs. 232 tolas	" 232½
German Crowns	" 214½
Bar Silver, 17 and 17½ dwt. better, per 100 tolas	" 106-10
Sycee Silver	" 105
Gold Leaf 99½ touch	" 16-19
Gold Bars, English	" 16-10
Ditto, Pekin	" 16-3

FREIGHTS.

To London—Cotton, 25. Cs. to 20.; Seeds, 21. 15s. to 20. 0s. Od.	
To Liverpool—Cotton, 20. to 20. 0s.; Seeds, 22. 5s. Od. to 20. 0s.	



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Fort William, Nov. 30.—No. 6,012.—The Rev. A. Stone, Bengal ecclesiastical estab., has been granted by the Sec. of State an ext. of leave for 6 mo., on m.c.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

Appointments:—

Aug. 3.—Dr. T. Anderson, superint. of the Botanical-gardens, Calcutta, to be conservator of forests in all the districts comprised in the Lieut. governorship of Bengal, in add. to his other duties.

Dec. 1.—Mr. P. A. Humphrey to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Nuddea.

Mr. L. B. B. King, asst. superint. of survey, 2nd or S. div., is transf. to Assam, to conduct the demarcation operations in Seebasaur.

Mr. W. Davey, dep. coll. of survey, 2nd or S. div., is transf. to Chittagong, and is app. to be also a dep. mag., with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class.

Mr. C. H. Campbell to be comr. of revenue and circuit in the Rajshahye div.

Lieut. L. J. H. Grey to be an asst. comr. in Assam, and to be posted to Durrung.

Lieut. W. Howey, asst. superint. of police, to have charge of the sub div. of Ranegunge.

Mr. J. S. Larminie, prob. asst. superint. of police, is transf. from Burdwan to Bancoorah.

Mr. J. S. Bell, judge of the Small Cause Court of Calcutta, to offic. temp. as register of deeds of that district.

The following transfers of asst. superintendents of police are sanctioned:—

Mr. C. D. McSweeney from Jumalpoore to Burhee.
Mr. R. H. Ellis from Hazareebaugh to Mymensing.

Mr. A. C. Mangles, asst. mag. and coll. of Shahabad, is vested with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class, and the powers of a dep. coll., in that district.

The Rev. R. A. H. Norman to be chaplain of Hazareebaugh.

Leave:—
Mr. J. E. Bruce, district superint. of police, Noacolli, for 3 mo. from 8th inst., under financial notification dated July 31 last.

Mr. R. L. Martin, inspector of schools, South-eastern division, for 3 mo., under financial notification dated July 31 last, from date on which he may make over charge of the current duties of his office to Mr. G. Bellett.

Dr. E. J. Gayer, civil asst. surg. of Buckergunge, for 2 mo., under sec. 12 of covenanted service absentee rules. Dr. Gayer will make over charge of his duties to the sub asst. surg. of the station.

Dec. 6.—Mr. D. Cunliffe, mag. and coll. of Rajshahye, for 20 days, to enable him to appear before the standing medical committee at the Presidency. Mr. Cunliffe will make over charge of his duties to the joint mag. and dep. coll. of the district.

Dec. 12.—Mr. R. Craig, temp. supervisor, is transferred from the Twenty-four Pergunnahs to the Jessore Road Division.

Dec. 13.—Ensign G. Nolan (unatt.), asst. engineer 1st cl., joined the Burrakur div. on 25th ult.

Appointments:—
Mr. A. F. Watson, probationary asst. engr., attached to the Ganges and Darjeeling Road division, is permanently appointed an asst. engr. 2nd cl., with effect from 23rd ult., the date on which he passed the prescribed examination.

Dec. 1.—Mr. J. Tweedie to be a dep. comr. of 4th grade in the Bengal Doars of Bootan, and to be stationed at Julpigoree.

Dec. 6.—Mr. W. M. Souttar to be sec. to the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Jessore.

Dec. 12.—Lieut. A. N. Phillips, asst. comr., is transf. from Jowai to Assaloo.
Lieut. W. C. S. Clarke, asst. comr., is transf. from Assaloo to Jowai, and is vested with the powers of a mag. and those of a sudder ameen in the Cosyah and Jynteah Hills.

Mr. F. J. Alexander and Lieut. W. Gordon to be members of the Municipal Committee at Bhaugul-

pore, v. Mr. J. Tweedie and Capt. A. Francis, respectively, who have left the district.

Dec. 13.—Dr. E. J. Gayer to offic. as civil asst. surg. of Monghyr.

Mr. E. Eyre, dep. mag. of Sasseram, is vested with power to hold the preliminary inquiry into cases triable by the Court of Sessions, to commit or hold to bail persons to take their trial before such Court of Sessions, and to exercise all the powers necessary for such purpose.

Mr. J. S. Carstairs to have charge of the sub div. of Baraset, and to exercise the powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class.

Dec. 14.—Mr. A. H. Giles, asst. supt. of police, to have charge of the sub div. of Khoolnah and of the river police in the Jessore district.

Mr. J. Christian to be a member of the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Monghyr.

Mr. W. DaCosta to offic. as principal sudder ameen of Purneah.

Mr. A. N. Cole to be an hon. mag. in Chumparun, and to exercise the powers of a mag.

Mr. N. T. Davey, revenue surveyor, 3rd or Eastern div., is vested with the powers of a dep. coll., under reg. 9 of 1833, in Cachar.

Dec. 15.—Mr. F. B. Simson to offic. as comr. of revenue and circuit of the Cuttack div., and superintend of the Tributary Mehals, during the absence on leave of Mr. R. N. Shore, or until further orders.

Dec. 16.—Mr. H. B. Lawford to offic. as civil and sessions judge of Jessore.

Dec. 17.—Mr. H. C. Richardson to offic. as additional judge of Jessore.

Mr. W. Le F. Robinson to offic. as mag. and coll. of Rajshahye during the absence on leave of Mr. D. Cunliffe, or until further orders.

Mr. W. J. Herschel to offic. as mag. and coll. of Midnapore.

Dec. 8.—Leave of Absence.—Mr. D. Cunliffe, mag. and coll. of Rajshahye, for 6 mo.

Dec. 10.—Mr. W. DaCosta, sudder ameen of Bhaugulpore, for 1 mo.

Mr. H. W. Mackenzie, extra asst. comr. of Burpettah, for 15 days, in ext. of the leave granted to him on the 5th ult.

Mr. T. H. Dickens, senior mag. of Calcutta, for 3 mo., in ext. of the leave granted to him on the 1st ult.

Dr. J. J. Durant, civil asst. surg. of Pooree, for 1 mo., from the 11th inst.

Dec. 14.—Mr. W. G. Deare, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Magoorah, for 7 days.

Dec. 15.—Mr. R. N. Shore, comr. of Cuttack, for 3 mo.

Dec. 13.—The services of Mr. C. R. Hawkins, of the C.S., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the foreign dept. for employ. in the Punjab.

Dec. 14.—Mr. A. J. R. Bainbridge, C.S., having reported his return to the Pres. on the 13th inst., per steamship *Nubia*, the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him by the Secy. of State is cancelled.

FOREST LANDS.

Dec. 14.—In supercession of the notification dated 26th ult., published in the *Calcutta Gazette* of the 30th idem, notice is given that all forest lands in Darjeeling at and above an elevation of 6,000 feet are reserved for sale under the Waste Land Rules.

Dec. 16.—On the report of the Board of Examiners, the foll. officers are declared to have passed the examination prescribed in the Govt. resolution of Nov. 19, 1851:—

By the Second or Higher Standard.

Mr. C. A. Kelly.
Mr. A. Ratray.
Mr. C. F. Worsley.
Mr. A. C. Campbell.
Mr. A. L. Clay.
Mr. A. C. Mangles.
Mr. A. Mackenzie.
Mr. C. Stevens.
Mr. J. C. Price.
Mr. J. Anderson—Still liable to a further exam. in Bengalee.
Mr. J. W. Edgar—Still liable to a further exam. in Oordoo.
Mr. R. Porch—Still liable to a further exam. in Oordoo.

By the First or Lower Standard.

Mr. F. W. R. Cowley.
Mr. F. W. V. Peterson.
Mr. E. Eyre.
Mr. R. M. Towers.
Mr. T. W. Gribble.
Mr. E. V. Westmacott.
Mr. J. Boxwell.

Mr. E. S. Moseley.
Mr. D. R. Lyall.
Mr. F. W. J. Rees.
Mr. C. E. C. Merington.
Mr. R. H. Wilson.
Mr. E. J. Barton.
Mr. H. Clark.
Mr. P. D. Dickens.
Mr. W. W. Hunter.
Mr. T. Norman.
Mr. G. E. Porter.
Lieut. R. C. Money.
Lieut. E. G. Lillingston.
Lieut. N. Lewis.
Lieut. A. E. Campbell.
Lieut. J. Gregory.
Lieut. W. C. S. Clarke.

Dec. 16.—The following officers are vested with the powers of a mag. and dep. coll. in the districts mentioned against their names respectively:—

Mr. C. F. Worsley, Sarun.
Mr. A. C. Mangles, Shahabad.
Mr. C. C. Stevens, Shahabad.
Mr. J. C. Price, Pubna.
Mr. A. C. Campbell, Kamroop.

The following officers are vested with the powers of a subord. magistrate 1st cl., and powers of a dep. collector, in the districts mentioned:—

Mr. F. W. R. Cowley, Tirhoot.
Mr. F. W. V. Peterson, Shahabad.
Mr. R. M. Towers, Moorsheadabad.
Mr. T. W. Gribble, Maladah.
Mr. E. S. Moseley, Purneah.
Mr. F. W. J. Rees, Sylhet.
Mr. C. E. C. Merington, Furreedpore.
Mr. R. H. Wilson, Chittagong.
Mr. E. J. Barton, Cuttack.
Mr. H. Clark, Bancoorah.
Mr. W. W. Hunter, Beerbhoom.
Mr. T. Norman, Pubna.
Mr. G. E. Porter, Burdwan.
Lieut. A. E. Campbell, Nowgong.

The following officers are vested with the powers of a subord. magistrate 1st cl. in the districts mentioned:—

Mr. E. V. Westmacott, Backergunge.
Mr. J. Boxwell, Mymensing.
Mr. D. R. Lyall, Dacca.

No. 388.—Mr. C. Vassillan, asst. supervisor, transf. to Bengal, is posted to the Midnapore div.

No. 392.—Mr. G. Munro, sub engr. of 2nd class, late superint. of the suburban roads, under special orders from the Govt. of India, public works dept., is prom. to be a sub engr. of 1st class, from Dec. 10, the date on which he was relieved of the charge of the suburban roads.

Mr. G. Munro is posted to the Nuddea Local Road div.

Dec. 20.—No. 393.—Lieut. H. McV. Crichton, R.E., asst. engr. of 2nd class, joined the garrison engs.'s dept., Fort William, on 16th ult.

No. 30.—Mr. H. G. Paynter, asst. coll. of Patna, has been placed in charge of the Patna treasury, and authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Dec. 7.—Mr. A. Yardly, asst. coll., has been placed in charge of the Midnapore treasury, and authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Dec. 12.—Mr. H. Clark, asst. coll., has been directed to retain charge of the Bancoorah treasury, and authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR, N.W.P.

Dec. 2.—No. 1,428a.—The Hon. the Lieut. gov. is pleased to make the following appts. and proms. in the settlement dept., with effect from Oct. 1:—

Mr. G. Palmer, offic. mag. and coll. of Bijnore, to be an asst. settlement officer of the 1st grade on a salary of Rs. 1,250 per mensem, continuing to offic. as mag. and coll. of Bijnore.

Mr. H. D. Robertson, offic. mag. and coll. of Saharanpore, to be an asst. settlement officer of the 1st grade, on a salary of Rs. 1,250 per mensem, continuing to offic. as mag. and coll. of Saharanpore.

Mr. H. A. Harrison, joint mag. and dep. coll. of Etah, and Mr. C. A. Daniell, joint mag. and dep. coll. at Saharanpore, to be asst. settlement officers of the 1st grade, on a salary of Rs. 1,250 each per mensem.

Messrs. R. G. Currie, J. J. F. Lumsden, and H. Wilson, asst. settlement officers of the 2nd grade, to be asst. settlement officers of the 1st grade, on a salary of Rs. 1,250 each per mensem.

Mr. H. L. P. Wynne to be an asst. settlement officer of the 2nd grade, on a salary of Rs. 900 per mensem.

Dec. 1.—No. 228a.—Three mo. priv. leave of abs., under Sec. 12 of the Civil Service Absentee Rules, is granted to Mr. W. E. Money, comr. of Customs,

with effect from the 5th inst., or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

Mr. Money will make over charge to the dep. comr. of Customs, who will carry on the current duties of the office of comr. of Customs in add. to his own.

No. 29.—No. 3,628a.—Capt. the Hon. J. D. Drummond, offic. A.D.C. to his Honour the Lieut. gov., N.W.P., is confirmed in that appt., with effect from the 1st prox.

No. 3,629a.—The services of Lieut. H. U. Smith, offic. insp. in the dept. of public instruction for the Kumaon circle, are replaced at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the mil. dept., with effect from the date on which Capt. (brevet major) E. Smyth, returned from the leave of abs. granted to him by G.O. No. 1,408a, dated May 17 last.

No. 3,630a.—The services of Lieut. G. E. Reade, A.D.C. to his Honour the Lieut. gov., N.W.P., are replaced at the disposal of the Govt. of India, in the mil. dept., with effect from the date on which the leave of abs. granted to him by G.O. No. 3,198a, dated 10th ult., expires.

Dec. 1.—No. 3,654a.—Four mo. leave of absence, on m.c., under para. 11 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules, is granted to Mr. J. O'B. Beckett, sen. asst. comr. in Gurhwal, with effect from the 15th ult., or from the subsequent date on which he may have availed himself of the same.

No. 3,658a.—Mr. D. M. Gardner, B.A., offic. asst. comr., Kumaon, is appt. to offic. as sen. asst. comr. in Gurhwal, during the absence on leave of Mr. J. O'B. Beckett.

No. 3,660a.—The services of Capt. H. A. Prinsep, late offic. cantonment mag. of Agra, are replaced at the disposal of the Govt. of India, in the military dept., with effect from the date on which he was relieved by Maj. Warde.

No. 3,663a.—An ext. of leave of absence, on m.c., for 1 mo., is granted to Mr. W. H. Hudson, asst. mag. and coll. at Goruckpore.

Dated Allahabad, Nov. 30.—No. 2,803.—With reference to notification No. 4,543a, dated 6th ult., Maj. F. E. Stainforth, asst. engr., joined the 6th div. Grand Trunk Road on the 9th inst.

Dec. 3.—No. 2,837.—Lieut. col. F. Alexander, exec. engr., 1st class, having returned from the leave granted to him in Govt. of India notification No. 292, dated May 24, 1863, is reappd. to the Meerut div. Public Works.

No. 2,840.—Maj. Sir E. Leeds, Bart., exec. engr. of the 2nd class, will offic. as exec. engr. of the 3rd div. Grand Trunk Road, until further orders.

Dec. 2.—No. 895a.—Forty-two days' leave of absence, under the orders of the Govt. of India, dated Oct. 7, 1862, is granted to Lieut. H. F. Woodcock, 2nd asst. dist. superint. of police at Ajmere, and ex officio adjt. of the Ajmere police corps, with effect from the date on which he availed himself of the same, to enable him to proceed to Calcutta, there to appear before a med. committee, preparatory to applying for leave of absence to Europe on m.c.

No. 896a.—Lieut. H. A. Plowden is appointed to offic. as 2nd asst. dist. superint. of police at Ajmere, and ex officio adjt. of the Ajmere police corps, during the absence on leave of Lieut. Woodcock, or until further orders.

No. 3,679a.—Mr. G. E. Watson is appointed to be a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 1st grade, with effect from Oct. 28 last, but will continue to offic. as mag. and coll. of Goruckpore, during the absence on leave of Mr. Onseley, or until further orders.

Dec. 6.—No. 3,705a.—Capt. (brev. major) C. B. G. Bacon, of the late 3rd European regt., at present station interpreter at Roorkee, whose services have been placed at the disposal of this Govt., is appointed to be cantonment mag. at Jhansie.

No. 3,712a.—Mr. C. J. Daniell is appointed to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. at Shahjehanpore, with effect from the date on which he made over charge of his duties at Etah to Mr. H. A. Harrison.

Dec. 7.—No. 3,720a.—Three mo. leave of absence, on private affairs, has been granted by the Lord Bishop of Calcutta to the Rev. J. Robinson, chaplain of Chunar.

No. 3,730a.—The undermentioned civil servants, reported qualified for the public service, and attached to the N.W.P., the Punjab and Oudh, are posted as assts. to the divs. specified opposite their names:—

Mr. G. Smyth, Benares div.
Mr. H. S. Boys, Allahabad div.
Mr. F. N. Wright, Agra div.

They are also severally invested with the powers of a subordinate mag. of the 2nd class, and with those of an asst. coll.

No. 3,734a.—ERRATUM.—In the notification No. 3,103a, dated Oct. 8 last, placing the services of Lieut. A. B. Chalmers, asst. comr. of Jaloun, at

the disposal of the Govt. of India, in the military dept., from the 5th idem, read "from Oct. 14, the date on which he made over charge of his office."

Dec. 8.—No. 3,745a.—Mr. P. J. White, offic. asst. comr. in the Jhansie div., is appointed to be asst. comr., v. Lieut. Chalmers, resigned.

No. 3,746a.—Lieut. J. S. Walters, offic. 2nd asst. comr. at Ajmere, is appointed to be 2nd asst. comr., v. Capt. T. Pierce, res.

Public Works Dept., dated Camp Allygurh, Nov. 29.—No. 5,315a.—Lieut. col. W. E. Morton, R.E., secy. to Govt., N.W.P., public works dept., availed himself on the evening of the 28th inst. of the leave granted to him in this office, notification No. 5,306a, dated Nov. 18.

Lieut. col. C. J. Hodgson, R.E., assumed charge of the office of the chief engineer and secretary to Govt., N.W.P., public works dept., from the same date.

Dated Camp Royah, Dec. 2.—No. 5,368a.—Lieut. G. T. Skipwith, R.E., asst. engr., northern div. Ganges Canal, is invested with magisterial powers.

Dated Camp Muttra, Dec. 6.—No. 5,386a.—Mr. P. Caffery, special asst. engr., reported his return from leave from Europe on the 2nd inst., and is posted to the 5th division Grand Trunk road.

Dated Allahabad, Dec. 6.—No. 2,856.—Lieut. R. P. Tickell, asst. engr., Allygurh division Ganges canal, returned on the 22nd ult. from the priv. leave granted to him in notification No. 4,968a, dated Oct. 31 last.

No. 2,857.—The 1 mo.'s priv. leave granted by the chief engr., irrigation works, to Mr. J. L. Parker, exec. engr., Futtoghurh branch Ganges canal, with effect from the 15th inst., is confirmed.

No. 2,858.—Lieut. G. T. Skipwith, R.E., asst. engr., northern division Ganges canal, availed himself on the 22nd ult. of the 2 mo.'s priv. leave granted to him in notification No. 5,208a, dated 15th idem.

Dec. 7.—No. 2,863.—With reference to notification No. 2,400, dated Oct. 25 last, Mr. A. Dubus, proby. asst. engr., left the 5th division Grand Trunk road on Nov. 12, 1864, and joined the Etawah terminal division Ganges canal on the 13th idem.

Dec. 9.—No. 2,878.—Under instructions from the Govt. of India, public works dept., Lieut. C. H. Luard, asst. principal Thomason College, and W. Jeffreys, exec. engr. Allygurh division Ganges canal, made over charge of their duties, the former on the 6th and the latter on the 11th ult.

No. 2,880.—With reference to notification No. 2,045, dated Sept. 15, 1864, Mr. W. F. Heath, proby. asst. engr., joined the 6th division Grand Trunk road on Sept. 20 last.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR PUNJAB.

Dec. 1. No. 707.—Appt.—Mr. H. B. Beckett, extra asst. comr., to offic. as insp. of schools frontier circle, in the room of Lieut. Armstrong, offic. in the Rawul Pindee circle.

Nov. 30.—No. 2,324.—Transfers.—Rev. L. Poynder, chaplain, from Simla to Ferozepore.

No. 2,325.—Rev. T. C. Smyth, D.D., chaplain, from Ferozepore to Simla.

No. 2,327.—Mr. R. W. Thomas, offic. dep. comr. of Rohtuck, is re transf. as asst. comr. to Umballa, with effect from the date on which he was relieved by Capt. Horne.

No. 2,336.—Lieut. col. J. R. Becher, C.B., comr., reported his return to Lahore Oct. 14, and was detained on special duty until the 24th idem.

No. 2,337.—Transf.—Mr. J. Goldney, extra asst. comr., from the Lahore to the Peshawur dist.

No. 2,338.—Appt.—Mr. J. E. Rowe, clerk of the Lahore Small Cause Court, to offic. as an extra asst. comr., in the room of Mr. H. B. Beckett, appt. to the educational dept.

Mr. Rowe is posted to the Lahore dist.

Dec. 1.—Mr. G. Davies is appt. asst. acct. 3rd class, on probation, to fill an existing vacancy in the office of controller of accts. at Lahore.

Dec. 3.—No. 1,038.—Maj. B. T. Reid resumed charge of the office of the supt. of Chumba from Capt. C. V. Jenkins, on Nov. 23.

No. 974.—Leave.—Mr. F. A. Kelly, asst. dist. supt. of police, Mooltan, has priv. leave of absence for 1 mo., with effect from Dec. 15.

Dec. 5.—No. 640.—Mr. E. C. Edwardes, patrol, salt dept., has obtained leave of absence, on m.c., for a further period of 6 mo., in ext.

Dec. 3.—No. 2,348.—The leave of absence granted in Punjab Gazette order, No. 505, dated March 16 last, on m.c., to Lieut. C. A. DeKantzow, asst. comr., is extended to Dec. 10.

No. 2,361.—The services of Lieut. W. R. M. Holroyd, Bengal staff corps, insp. of schools, Umballa circle, are placed temp. at the disposal of the

Govt. of India, in the milly. dept., with effect from the date of his being relieved of his present duties, for the special duty described in the resolution of the Govt. of India, milly. dept., No. 175, dated Sept. 10.

Dec. 5.—No. 2,368.—Lieut. C. A. DeKantzow, asst. comr., is re-transf. from the Ferozepore to the Delhi dist.

Dec. 6.—No. 2,377.—Mr. G. M. Ogilvie is app. an asst. comr. of the 3rd class, in the Punjab, and posted to the Umritsur dist.

No. 2,378.—Mr. T. Roberts is app. an asst. comr. of the 3rd class, in the Punjab, and posted to the Sealkote dist.

No. 2,379.—Asst. surg. J. H. Oliver, in med. charge of the troops at Kangra, received charge of the charitable dispensary at that station from asst. surg. Jazdowski, M.B., on Oct. 1.

No. 2,382.—Transfer.—Lieut. R. P. Nisbet, asst. comr., from the Umritsur to the Jullunder dist.

Dec. 8.—No. 2,399.—Appt.—The services of the Rev. J. R. Baldwin, chaplain of Dhurmsala, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. N.W.P.

No. 2,400.—The Rev. A. Irwin is app. chaplain of Rawul Pindee, in succ. to the Rev. W. W. Phelps.

Dec. 9.—No. 2,403.—Correction.—In Punjab Gazette order, No. 2,324, dated 30th ult., transf. the Rev. T. C. Smyth, M.B., chaplain of Ferozepore, to Simla, add for 2 years, to date from his arrival at that station.

Dec. 10.—No. 1,016.—Mr. S. Stone, asst. district superint. of police, from Goojranwalla to Attock, in the Rawul Pindee district.

No. 1,017.—Mr. W. W. Green, asst. district superint. of police, from Attock to Goojranwalla.

Dec. 12.—No. 1,029.—Mr. E. Tronson is app. to offic. as asst. district superint. of police, v. Lieut. E. Newberry, offic. as personal asst. to the insp. gen. of police.

Mr. Tronson is posted to the Lahore district on special duty.

Dec. 13.—No. 1,036.—Maj. E. Perkins, district superint. of police, to hold charge of the Umballa district during the absence of Capt. Q. D. Parsons, on special duty at Patna.

No. 1,037.—Mr. T. Smith, asst. district superint. of police, to offic. as district superint. of police at Loodiana, during the absence of Maj. E. Perkins.

No. 2,421.—The Rev. D. P. Williams, chaplain of Delhi, is app. chaplain of Dugshai, with effect from the date of leaving Delhi.

Dec. 12.—No. 347.—The 5th Goorkha regtl. order, dated Oct. 15, 1864, directing Lieut. A. P. Broome, doing duty officer, to act as adjt., in addition to his other duties, in room of Lieut. Oliphant, proceeding on furl., and until the return from priv. leave of Lieut. Sym, is confirmed.

No. 348.—The 5th Goorkha regtl. order, dated 12th ult., directing Lieut. J. M. Sym, qrmr., to act as adjt., in room of Lieut. Oliphant, proceeded on furl.; and Lieut. A. P. Broome, doing duty officer, to act as qrmr., is confirmed.

Dec. 10.—No. 4,477.—Mr. A. C. Cregeen, asst. engr., Upper Sirhind div., obtd. five days' priv. leave, in continuance of the month sanctioned in Punjab Govt. notification No. 4,769, dated Feb. 2 last.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Head Quarters, Camp Chuppar, Nov. 10.—Orders confirmed:—

Peshawur div. order, dated June 6 last, appg. Lieut. J. Bartleman, adjt., 20th N.I., to offic. as dep. judge advocate gen., with effect from the date he took over charge from Maj. N. E. Boileau, proc. on leave.

Dibroogurh station order, dated July 25 last, appg. Lieut. H. G. Oldham, offic. adjt. 42nd Assam L.I., to offic. as station staff, during the absence on leave of Lieut. H. W. Williams.

By the officer comdg. 20th Punjab N.I., dated Sept. 19 last, appg. Lieut. A. J. Nicholson, gen. list, inf., to offic. as qrmr., with effect from the 1st idem.

By the officer comdg. 1st batt. 19th foot, dated Sept. 23 last, appg. Capt. A. B. Morgan, regtl. interpreter.

By the officer comdg. 15th Bengal cav., dated Sept. 24 last, appg. Lieut. W. F. Fergusson, late 5th Eur. L.C., to offic. as 2nd squadron officer, during the absence on leave of Capt. W. Musgrave.

By the officer comdg. 36th foot, dated Sept. 28 last, appg. Ens. H. T. C. Roberts to act as qrmr., v. Brookes, proc. to England.

Gwalior district order, dated 1st ult., appg. Maj. A. G. Nedham, staff corps, in charge of the Sudder Bazaar, Morar, to offic. as dep. judge advocate gen. of the Gwalior and Saugor districts, v. Maj. Gowan, app. to 43rd N.I.

Benares div. order, dated 12th ult., appg. the following officers to do duty with the invalids proc. to Presidency:—

Capt. T. S. Robin and J. W. Hughes, 54th foot; and Lieut. J. M. V. Cotton, 27th foot.

Presidency div. order, dated 18th ult., appg. Lieut. H. E. Eliot, gen. list, inf., attached to 48th foot, to do duty with 31st N.I.

By the officer comdg. 18th N.I., dated 2nd ult., making the following arrangements, consequent on the departure of Maj. R. Larkins, offic. commdt., on m.c.:—

Maj. C. W. Miles, staff corps, offic. 2nd in com. and wing officer, to assume com.

Capt. F. Allen, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer.

Lieut. A. R. Loughnan, adjt., to offic. as wing officer.

Lieut. E. Venour, qrmr., to offic. as adjt.

Lieut. A. C. Toker, gen. list, inf., doing duty officer, to offic. as qrmr., in add. to his other duties.

Head Quarters, Camp Jugadree, Nov. 11.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

79th Foot.—Lieut. G. Quin, from 101st foot, to be lieut., v. Birch, who exch.; dated Oct. 20.

101st Foot.—Lieut. A. J. C. Birch, from 79th foot, to be lieut., v. Quin, who exch.; dated Oct. 20.

Major G. Hamilton, Bengal staff corps, is permitted to do gen. duty at Agra.

Asst. surg. J. Kinahan, M.D., royal horse art., is directed to proceed and join the E. battery. A brig. royal horse art., at Meeran Meer, without delay.

Asst. surg. H. Cayley, in joint med. charge at Simla, will also afford professional aid to the portion of army head qrs. estab. remaining there, on the departure of H.E. the C. in C.

Asst. surg. H. H. Maclean, 16th brig. royal horse art., recently arrived from England, will join the head qrs. of the brig. at Barrackpore.

Asst. surg. W. C. Boyd, posted to the 14th brig. royal art., will proceed at the public expense to Madras, and report himself to the milly. and med. authorities for duty.

Asst. surg. T. Maunsell, 48th foot, recently attached to the 19th hussars, will be attached for duty to the royal art., Meerut.

Staff asst. surg. J. Wood, attached to the 54th foot, Benares, at the public expense to Allahabad, where his services are urgently required, for med. charge of No. 4 batty. 25th brig. royal art., ordered to march to Attock.

The following Meerut div. order is confirmed:—

Dated 3rd ult.—Directing Lieut. M. K. St. John, attached to the 7th drag. gls., to do duty with the 19th hussars, in view of his completing a course of cav. instruction with the latter corps.

The Secapore station order dated the 4th ult., appg. Lieut. L. F. Perry, C batty. 11th brig. royal art., to offic. as station staff in add. to his other duties, there being no qualified officer available, is confirmed.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Major J. B. Y. Matheson (offic. 2nd in com. and squadron officer, 4th Bengal cav.), from Nov. 1 to Nov. 30, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Mussoorie on private affairs.

1st Foot.—Ensign W. C. Sanders (1st batt.), from date of embarkation from Bombay, to date of retirement, to England, on private affairs.

20th Foot.—Lieut. T. A. Davies (1st batt.), from Nov. 1 to Dec. 31, to visit Rajmahal on private affairs.

23rd Foot.—Ensign J. J. Mahon (1st batt.), from Oct. 24 to Dec. 20, to visit the Agra dist. on m.c.

27th Foot.—Major J. H. Creagh, from Nov. 2 to Dec. 2, to remain in Calcutta, previous to embarkation for England via the Cape.

51st Foot.—Lieut. D. V. Stuart, from date of embarkation to England for 17 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

90th Foot.—Lieut. L. W. Wilmer, from Sept. 28 to Oct. 30, in ext. to visit Cawnpore on private affairs.

105th Foot.—Capt. F. B. G. Glover, from date of embarkation, to England, to appear before a medical board.

Late 69th N.I.—Capt. E. Tulloch (doing duty 1st N.I.), from Oct. 1 to Oct. 10, in ext., to remain at Calcutta prep. to embarkation.

Veterinary Estab.—Vet. surg. A. Turnbull (royal art., Rawul Pindee), from Dec. 1 to Dec. 31, to Calcutta, prep. to applying for furl. to Eur. on private affairs.

Head Qrs., Camp Sirsawa, Nov. 12.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following proms, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

3rd Drag. Guards.—Lieut. A. H. White to be

capt., by purchase, v. Johnston, who retires, dated Nov. 8:—

Cornet H. Langtry to be lieut., by purchase, v. White, prom., dated Nov. 8.

7th Foot.—Ens. J. Potham to be lieut., by purchase, v. Harrow, who retires, dated Nov. 5.

51st Foot.—Lieut. H. Chambers to be capt., by purchase, v. Ware, who retires, dated Oct. 22.

Ens. R. R. Drought to be lieut., by purchase, v. Chambers, prom., dated Oct. 22.

93rd Foot.—Ens. T. P. Lloyd to be lieut., by purchase, v. Forbes, who retires, dated Nov. 5.

Private T. Hill, of the sappers and miners, appd. to the barrack dept. by G.O.C.C. of Dec. 1, 1863, on probation, is transf. to the unattached list.

The foll. Benares station orders are confirmed:—

Dated 8th ult.—Directing Staff asst. surg. R. W. Troup, M.B., to assume med. charge of No. 6 batty.

25th brig. royal art., proceeding on service to Bhootan, and Hospital apprentice J. Blinkworth to accompany it.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the officer comdg. the 3rd Goorkha regt., dated the 17th ult., appg. Lieut. C. S. Morrison, gen. list, inf., to offic. as qrmr. and doing duty officer, and during the absence on leave of the perm. incumbents.

By the officer comdg. the 16th native inf., dated the 16th ult., appg. Lieut. and Adj. W. G. Cubitt, v.c., to act as wing officer, v. Maj. J. J. O'Brien, trans. to the 22nd native inf., and directing Lieut. A. B. Clare, doing duty officer and offic. qrmr., to act as adjt., v. Lieut. Cubitt.

Presidency div. order, dated 6th inst., directing Staff asst. surg. W. Millar to report himself to the officer comdg. the 58th foot, for duty with the 2nd detach. of that corps, proc. to the Upper Provs.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Lieut. T. R. D. Bingham, squad. officer 8th B.C., from Oct. 24 to Nov. 23, to Calcutta, on m.c.

Royal Artillery.—Capt. D. J. F. Newall, F batty. 19th brig., from Oct. 1 to Nov. 20, in ext. of priv. leave, to Madras.

2nd Dragoon Guards.—Maj. M. J. B. Dyne, from Oct. 15 to Oct. 20, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

34th Foot.—Ens. H. W. Phillips, from date of embark., to England by a troop ship, on m.c.

44th Foot.—Lieut. G. C. Gooch, payma., from date of embark., from Bombay to England, for 12 mos., on private affairs.

46th Foot.—Lieut. P. Shuttleworth, from Nov. 1 to Mar. 1, 1865, in ext., to Madras and Eastern coast, on m.c.

Head Qrs., Camp, Nagal, Nov. 14.—Maj. J. Hills, v.c., R.H.A., acted as maj. of brig. to the insp. of arty., northern div., from Sept. 19 last.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appts.:—

3rd Bengal Cav.—Capt. D. W. Wise, of the Bengal staff corps, to be 2nd squadron officer, v. Packe, appd. 2nd in com. and squadron officer.

To have effect from the date of his being relieved from civil employ, dated Nov. 10.

7th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. W. A. S. De Vere Beauclerk is re-appd. doing duty officer, with effect from Sept. 15 last, the date on which he rejoined that corps, dated Nov. 12.

29th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. W. G. Chalmers, wing officer of the 23rd N.I., to offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Maj. Langmore, offic. as comdt., dated Nov. 12.

The C. in C. in India accepts the resignation of his commission of Cornet R. C. Smith, 21st hussars, from Oct. 1 last, subject to confirmation by H.M., dated Nov. 8.

The appt. of Lieut. H. S. Marshall to be doing duty officer of the 3rd N.I., is, at his own request, can., dated Oct. 22.

Lieut. H. A. Pakenham, att. to the 36th foot, is directed to do duty with the 5th lancers, for instruction in the duties of a cav. officer.

The undermen. officers were declared by the board of examiners at Fort William on the 7th inst., to have passed in Hindustanee:—

2nd Capt. C. J. Meade, R.A., att. to the Public Works Dept., Bengal.

Lieut. W. F. Gatacre, 77th foot.

Lieuts. H. B. Swiney, C. H. T. Marshall, J. E. P. Mosley, J. Hay, and J. R. B. Atkinson, gen. list infantry.

The following orders are, with the sanction of Govt., confirmed:—

Mooltan garrison order dated March 16 last, directing Lieut. E. H. Ryan, No. 6 batty. 24th brig. R.A., to receive charge of the Mooltan magazine, in addition to his other duties as a tempy. measure,

from Capt. J. C. Griffiths, comsy. of ordnance, appd. to the Ferozepore arsenal.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Capt. J. Williamson (comdt. 26th N.I.), from Oct. 19 to Nov. 30, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Mussorie on m.c.

48th Foot.—Surg. G. A. F. Shelton, m.b., from Oct. 19 to Oct. 31, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Simla.

82nd Foot.—Lieut. J. Johnston, from date of embarkation to England, on m.c.

94th Foot.—Lieut. W. G. Buller, from date of embarkation to England, for 17 mos., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

97th Foot.—Ens. E. J. A. Smith, from date of embarkation to England, on m.c.

Gen. List, Inf.—Lieut. C. W. G. Perreau (doing duty 10th N.I.), from Oct. 6 till assembly of annual invaliding committee at Nynee Tal, in ext., on m.c.

Head Qrs., Camp Deobund, Nov. 15.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

44th Foot.—Capt. J. H. Linton, from 76th foot, to be capt., v. Franklin, who exchanges, dated Nov. 5, 1864.

76th Foot.—Capt. W. Franklin, from 44th foot, to be capt., v. Linton, who exchanges, dated Nov. 5, 1864.

Vet. surg. H. Farrell, at present with the royal artillery at Lucknow, is directed to proceed to Cawnpore, and assume veterinary charge of the horses of G batty. 11th brig. royal artillery.

An exchange of battalions is sanctioned between the following officers, subject to confirmation by H.R.H. the F.M. C. in C.:—

Rifle Brig.—Lieut. E. H. Chamberlin to the 2nd batt., and Lieut. T. L. Mitchell-Innes to the 3rd batt.

The appt. of Lieut. H. C. Kemble to be 3rd squadron officer in the 16th Bengal cav. is, at his own request, cancl., dated Oct. 21.

The 15 mo. leave to England on private affairs, granted to Surg. maj. R. M. Allen, 8rd drag. gds., in G.O.C.C. of Sept. 24 last, is commuted to 12 mo.

Leave of Absence:—

Royal Art.—Lieut. W. R. Craster (No. 4 batty. 21th brig.), from Nov. 15 to Feb. 8, to England.

7th Hussars.—Vet. surg. J. Barker, from Oct. 29, to Nov. 29, to Calcutta, m.c.

4th Foot.—Capt. G. H. Kittoe, and Lieut. C. R. Hammond (1st batt.), from date of embarkation, to England for 15 mo.

51st Foot.—Asst. Surg. G. T. Bourke, from Oct. 30 to Nov. 30, to proceed to Kurrachee, m.c.

93rd Foot.—Capt. J. Bond, from July 14 to Oct. 13, to visit Murree and Cashmere, on m.c. (In substitution of that granted in G.O.C.C. of Aug. 27 last.)

Late 62nd N.I.—Lieut. H. Woodhouse (qrmr. 42nd N.I.), from Oct. 27, 1864, to Feb. 27, 1865, in ext., on m.c.

Head Qrs., Camp, Mozuffernuggur, Nov. 16.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to accept the retirement from the service, by the sale of his commission, of Capt. W. H. Ivimy, of the 3rd batt. 19th rifles, subject to confirmation by H.M., dated Nov. 17.

The words "at the public expense" are to be expunged from G.O.C.C. dated the 20th ult., and 25th ult., directing Capt. S. Boulton, and Lieut. R. W. Santorius, to join respectively the 7th and 14th regts. of Bengal cav.

Lieut. H. S. Anderson, gen. list, inf., is appd. to do duty with the 12th regt. N.I., proceeding on field service, and directed to join.

Asst. Surg. W. H. Yates, F. brig. R.H.A., is posted to A batty. at Umballah, and directed to join without delay.

The undermentioned medical officers passed the prescribed colloquial examination on the dates specified:—

Staff asst. surg. J. P. DeG. Delmege, m.d., attached to the 48th foot on the 15th ult.

Asst. surg. G. F. White, 77th foot, on the 28th ult.

The extension of leave granted to Vet. surg. A. Turnbull, attached to the artillery division at Rawul Pindee, in G.O.C.C. of the 28th ult., is cancelled at his own request.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By Brig. gen. H. F. Dunsford, c.b., commanding left column Doovar field force, dated 10th ult., appointing Lieut. A. R. Loughnan, offstg. wing officer 18th regt. N.I., to officiate as brig. maj. in addition to his other duties, pending the arrival of Lieut. C. M. MacGregor.

Jubulpore station order, dated the 3rd inst., appointing Lieuts. H. Hamilton and W. D. Caudwell, of the 21st foot, the former to command a party of

invalids proceeding on the 5th idem, and the latter to do duty with it as far as Rewah, thence to return.

Allahabad brigade order, dated the 7th inst., appointing Capt. J. B. Saunders, major of brigade, to act as station interpreter in addition to his other duties, v. Capt. H. M. Bengough, 77th foot, there being no qualified officer available.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Artillery.—Maj. P. W. L'Estrange (B batty. 11th brig.), from Oct. 15 to Oct. 31, in ext., to remain at Madras on m.c.; and Lieut. G. Swinley (G batty. 22nd brig.), from Dec. 1 to Oct. 31, 1865, in ext., to remain at Simla on m.c.

7th Dragoon Guards.—Surg. E. J. Frankly, m.d., from date of embark., to England for 12 mos., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

21st Hussars.—Cornet R. C. Smith, from Oct. 15 to Nov. 15, in ext., to remain at Kussowlie.

27th Foot.—Lieut. J. M. V. Cotton, from date of embark., to England for 17 mos., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

56th Foot.—Capt. W. W. Bassett, from date of embark., to England, via Egypt, on m.c.

80th Foot.—Lieut. C. G. Norris, from Oct. 20 to Nov. 20, to Calcutta, on m.c.

95th Foot.—Lieut. J. A. Stubbs, from date of embark., to England, via the overland route, on m.c.

General List, Infantry.—Lieut. A. Harrison (doing duty 101st foot), from Oct. 15 to April 15, 1865, to visit Calcutta for the purpose of studying the native languages.

Medical Dept.—Surg. W. B. Butt, from Sept. 28 to Jan. 28, 1865, to visit Kussowlie and its vicinity, and to proc. to Calcutta, on m.c., prep. to applying for sick furl. to Eur.

Head Qrs., Camp, Khutowlee, Nov. 17.—The appt. of Capt. W. F. Shaw to the 17th N.I., as offstg. 2nd in com. and wing officer, is, at his own request, cancl.; dated Nov. 16.

Official notification has been received that the undermen. officers of the 19th foot, recently prom., have been posted to the batt. specified opposite their names:—

Capt. R. H. Hackett, and Lieut. G. A. Warden, to the 1st batt.

Under instructions from the Horse Guards, Lieut. C. P. Prinsep, 19th hussars, will proceed to England at the public expense, to join the depot of his regt.

This officer's services are available for the charge of invalids.

Asst. Surg. J. Follitt, 51st foot, will take medical charge of invalids proceeding to England via Mooltan and Kurrachee, and will join under directions of the military and medical authorities of the Peshawur div.

The following medical arrangements are directed:—

Transf. Surg. C. Johnson from the 4th to the 28th N.I., v. Asst. surg. R. H. Perkins, proceeding on leave.

Apptg. Asst. surg. F. Parsons to the 4th N.I., v. Johnson.

Transf. Surg. maj. F. M. Clifford from the 6th to the 26th N.I.

Transf. Surg. A. J. Dale, m.b., from the 41st to the 6th N.I.

Posting Asst. surg. W. E. Allen to the 41st N.I.

Staff asst. surg. W. John, at present in medical charge of the 5th Punjab inf., on being relieved will proceed to Dera Ismael Khan and report himself to the military authorities for medical charge of the detachment of European inf. at that station.

Lieut. M. J. Moore, gen. list, cav. att. to 2nd drag. gds., is perm. to do gen. duty at Umballah.

Official notification has been received that the undermen. officers recently prom. have been posted to batts. as specified:—

Rifle Brigade.—Lieuts. Hon. C. G. Legge and G. H. Verney to the 3rd batt.

Leave of absence:—

7th Dragoon Guards.—Lieut. H. Bulkeley, in ext., to remain in Calcutta till embar. for England.

19th Hussars.—Cornet R. G. E. Dalrymple, from Nov. 22 to Mar. 22, 1865, to Madras, on m.c.

27th Foot.—Lieut. A. D. Geddes, from Oct. 14 to Oct. 20, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

48th Foot.—Lieut. St. J. Bally, from Oct. 15 to Oct. 18, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

81st Foot.—Lieut. W. A. C. S. Menteth, from Oct. 15 to Oct. 31, in ext., to remain at Simla on m.c.

101st Foot.—Lieut. J. E. Harden, from date of leaving regt., to Calcutta for one mo., on m.c.

Rifle Brigade.—Ens. Hon. B. T. Howard (2nd batt.), from Nov. 8 to Dec. 8, to Calcutta, on m.c.

Late 4th European Light Cavalry.—Capt. R. C. Low (2nd in command and squad. officer 13th Bengal cav.), from Nov. 19 to Dec. 31, in ext. of priv. leave, to Calcutta, on m.c.

Late 62nd N.I.—Lieut. H. Woodhouse (qrmr. 42nd N.I.), from Aug. 26 to Oct. 27, to Calcutta, on m.c.

General List Infantry.—Lieut. H. Wylie (doing duty 10th Bengal cav.), from Nov. 1 to Jan. 31, 1865, to Calcutta, to study the native languages; Lieut. R. W. Napier (doing duty 13th Bengal cav.), from Nov. 4 to Jan. 1, 1865, to proc. to Roorkee.

The following Attock garrison orders are confirmed:—

Dated July 1 last.—Appg. Capt. S. Walker, 51st foot, to assume com. of the garrison, v. Capt. E. W. Cuming, 79th foot, proc. on leave.

Dated 16th ult.—Appg. Capt. J. F. Henley, 8rd batt. rifle brig., to assume com. of the garrison, v. Capt. S. Walker, proc. to join his regt.

The following Fyzabad brigade orders are confirmed:—

Dated 1st inst.—Appg. Capt. W. H. Hawes, wing officer, 9th N.I., station interpreter, v. Lieut. W. W. Sherlock, 35th foot.

Dated 3rd inst.—Appg. Asst. surg. S. H. Halahan, R.A., to medical charge of the brig. and station staff, with effect from 1st idem, in add. to his other duties, v. Asst. surg. N. Alcock, 35th foot.

Orders confirmed:—

Chinsurah station order, dated June 23 last, appg. Lieut. H. H. Oldham, late 67th N.I. (now of the 48th foot), to act as station staff, there being no passed officer available, v. Lieut. W. Forbes, 93rd foot.

Almorah garrison order, dated 21st ult., directing Lieut. C. J. Farquharson, qrmr. 4th Goorkha regt. station staff, to take over charge of the post guns of the station from Lieut. J. F. Free, R.A., proc. to join his battery.

Meerut div. order, dated 21st ult., appg. Lieut. E. O'B. Horsford, late 46th N.I., doing duty 1st batt. 20th foot, to the charge of the depot 3rd Goorkha regt., v. Lieut. R. W. Elton, late 74th N.I., res.

Head Quarters, Camp Dowlallah, Nov. 18.—Maj. C. F. G. Lamb, staff corps, recently returned from furl. to Europe, is app. to do gen. duty at Dinapore.

The appt. of Lieut. H. J. Peet to be doing duty officer to the 42nd N.I., is cancl., at his own request; dated Nov. 16.

The 17 mo. leave to England granted to Capt. O. B. Cannon, 97th foot, in G.O.C.C. of Sept. 21 last, is hereby cancl., at his own request.

Orders confirmed:—

By the officer comdg. detachment 5th lancers, dated Nov. 18, 1863, directing Ridingmr. W. Rant to act as adjt., paymr., and qrmr., in add. to his other duties, pending the arrival in India of the head qrs.

By the officer comdg. 7th dragoon guards, dated April 15 last, directing Lieut. E. H. E. Kauntze to offic. as qrmr. during the absence on sick leave of Qrmr. G. Gillam.

Meerut div. order, dated Sept. 21 last, app. Asst. surg. W. Sly, C. baty. C. brig. R.H.A., to assume medical charge of his brigade and art. div., with effect from Sept. 10 last.

Benares div. order, dated Sept. 21 last, appg. Lieut. C. P. Stone, 77th foot, to offic. as dep. asst. qrmr. gen. in Benares div., during the absence of Lieut. J. May on field service.

Rawul Pindee brigade order, dated 19th ult., appg. Surg. D. McDonald, m.d., 101st foot, to the medical charge of the staff and civil duties, v. Surg. G. H. Ray, 13th Bengal cav., proc. with his regt.

Oude div. order, dated 25th ult., appg. Lieut. A. B. Chalmers, gen. list, inf., to do duty at Lucknow.

ERRATUM.—In G.O. of Sept. 19 last, publishing the name of Lieut. J. M. Stewart as having passed in Hindoostanee, for "late 39th N.I." read "late 35th N.I."

Leave of absence:—

38th Foot.—Ens. W. St. J. Young, from Oct. 12 to April 12, 1865, in ext. of priv. leave, to Landour, on m.c.

Late 14th N.I.—Lieut. C. J. Durand, doing duty Chinsurah depot, from July 3 to Aug. 1, in ext. of priv. leave, to Calcutta, to study the native languages.

Gen. List, Cav.—Lieut. S. D. Lockwood, doing duty 13th Bengal cav., from Oct. 20 to Dec. 10, to Rawul Pindee and Calcutta, prep. to applying for leave to Europe, on m.c.

Gen. List, Inf.—Lieut. C. McK. Hall, doing duty 27th N.I., from Nov. 1 to Feb. 28, 1865, to Calcutta, to study the native languages.

Medical Dept.—Asst. surg. N. J. Grant, attached

to 12th Bengal cav., from Nov. 15 to Dec. 14, to Calcutta, to appear before a medical board.

Head Qrs., Camp, Meerut, Nov. 21.—Brig. gen. D. Pott, apptd. to the brig. staff of the army by G.G.O. No. 951, of the 25th inst., is posted to the Dinapore brig., and directed to join forthwith.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the foll. proms., until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

35th Foot.—Lieut. W. W. Sherlock, to be capt., by purch., v. Poble, who retires, dated Nov. 18.

Ens. J. R. B. Buscarlet, to be lieut., by purch., v. Sherlock, prom., dated Nov. 18.

The retirement from the service by the sale of his commission, of Ens. H. R. Beetson, 35th foot, is accepted by the C. in C. in India, subject to confirmation by H.M., dated Nov. 18.

Under instructions received from the Horse Guards, Staff asst. surg. A. M. Tippets, about to be promoted, will, as soon as relieved of the med. charge of B batty. 16th brig. R.A., proceed at the public expense to Calcutta and Ceylon, where he will report himself to the military and medical authorities for duty.

The 4 mo. sick leave to visit Simla granted to Lieut. A. H. Murray, B batty. C. brig. royal horse art., in G.O.C.C. of the 25th ult., is hereby cancelled at his own request.

MEDICAL DUTIES.

Nov. 22.—Under instructions from Govt., the C. in C. is pleased to notify that where there is a medical officer in receipt of the allowance granted for the medical charge of the divisional or brigade staff, that officer should be required also to attend the garrison military prison without any additional remuneration. Where no such allowance is granted, Rs. (30) thirty a month will be allowed to the officer selected for the duty.

These orders will not affect the medical charge of the Allahabad military prison, which has been specially provided for.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

12th Foot (2nd Batt.)—Capt. H. P. Pearson, from 52nd foot, to be capt., v. Parry, who exch.; dated Nov. 22.

38th Foot.—Ensign R. C. Nicholetts, from 81st foot, to be ensign, v. Dittmas, who exch.; dated Nov. 20.

52nd Foot.—Capt. L. R. Parry, from 12th foot, to be capt., v. Pearson, who exch.; dated Nov. 22.

81st Foot.—Ensign E. Dittmas, from 38th foot, to be ensign, v. Nicholetts, who exch.; dated Nov. 20.

The following orders are confirmed:—
Benares division order, dated 7th ult., directing Maj. G. C. Syngé, asst. adj. gen., to offic. as deputy judge advocate gen., in addition to his other duties, v. Capt. R. D. Campbell, 30th N.I., proceeded on service with his regt.

Leave of absence:—
Staff Corps.—Major R. C. Germon (comdnt. 16th N.I.), from Oct. 16 to Oct. 19, in ext. of privilege leave.

Royal Artillery.—Maj. F. R. Butt (C batty. 19th brig.), from Oct. 20 to Dec. 31, to visit Dalhousie, on m.c.; and Lieut. E. H. Ryan (No. 6 batty. 24th brig.), from Oct. 17 to Oct. 22, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

51st Foot.—Capt. W. C. E. Scott (instructor of musketry), to England, on m.c., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

52nd Foot.—Col. J. L. Dennis, from date of embarkation, to England, preceding his regt. by the overland route.

105th Foot.—Capt. J. Braclish, from date of embarkation, to England, for 12 mo.

108th Foot.—Capt. G. B. Stokes, from Dec. 10, 1864, to March 9, 1865, to England.

Late 17th N.I.—Lieut. C. L. B. Constable (doing duty 18th N.I.), from Oct. 1 to Nov. 24, in ext. of priv. leave, to Calcutta, on m.c.

Late 38th N.I.—Lieut. G. S. Hills (qrmr. 28th N.I.), from Nov. 6 to Nov. 26, to visit Hills north of Deyrah, on m.c.

Late 57th N.I.—Lieut. H. C. Garden (doing duty 23rd N.I.), from Nov. 10, 1864, to Feb. 10, 1865, to Calcutta, for the purpose of studying the native languages.

Nov. 24.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments:—

18th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. H. C. Marsh, 3rd squadron officer, to be adj., v. Cochrane, dec.; dated Nov. 24.

5th N.I.—Capt. A. S. Allen, staff corps, to be wing officer, v. Stone, dec.; dated Nov. 22.

10th N.I.—Lieut. F. S. Carr, offic. doing duty officer 9th N.I., to be offic. doing duty officer, v. Palmer, who has accepted another appointment; dated Nov. 23.

15th N.I.—Lieut. E. Kitson, late 64th N.I., to be adj., v. Macaulay, dec.; dated Nov. 24.

24th N.I.—Lieut. J. A. McNeale, doing duty 13th N.I., to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Trotter, offic. qrmr.; dated Nov. 22.

28th N.I.—Capt. F. Duffin, late 22nd N.I., to be wing officer, v. Bates, who vacates his appointment.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Artillery.—2nd Capt. A. Carey (No. 7 batty. 21st brig.), from date of embarkation at Aden, to England, for 15 mo.; and Lieut. J. F. Cooksley (doing duty Assam local art.), from Sept. 15 to Sept. 28, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Calcutta to study the native languages.

7th Hussars.—Vet. surg. J. Barker, from date of embarkation, to England, via either route, on m.c.

51st Foot.—Capt. W. C. E. Scott (instructor of musketry), from Oct. 31 to Nov. 30, in ext., to remain in Calcutta till embarkation for Europe.

54th Foot.—Lieut. H. Lambard, from date of availing himself of it, for 1 mo., to Calcutta, on m.c.

71st Foot.—Lieut. Le M. J. Carey, from date of embarkation, to England, via either route, on m.c.

80th Foot.—Lieut. C. G. Norris, from date of embarkation, to England, on m.c., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

4th Mad. L.C.—Capt. J. C. Burnett, from date of leaving regt., for 1 mo., to Calcutta, on m.c.

Late 63rd N.I.—Lieut. C. Richardes (doing duty 9th N.I.), from Nov. 10 to Dec. 10, in ext., to remain at Darjeeling, on m.c.

Medical Dept.—Surg. T. Atchison (attached to Govindgurh garrison), from Feb. 15 to March 15, to visit Calcutta, prep. to applying for furl. to Europe.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the Officer commanding 1st batt. 23rd foot, dated Aug. 31 last, appointing Lieut. and Adj. J. Clayton, to offic. as instructor of musketry, in add. to his other duties, during absence on leave of Lieut. E. M. Roe.

By the Officer commanding 43rd N.I., dated 1st ult., appointing Capt. R. Y. Chambers, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Capt. T. E. B. Lees, transf. to 31st N.I., and Lieut. C. J. Griffiths, qrmr., to offic. as wing officer, in addition to his other duties.

By the officer comdg. the 31st N.I., dated Sept. 24 last, appg. Lieut. R. Shakespear to officiate as doing duty officer, with effect from the 12th idem, v. Lieut. C. S. Pratt.

By the officer comdg. the 43rd N.I., dated the 8th ult., appg. Lieut. W. M. Story, doing duty officer, to act as adjt., v. Lieut. and adjt. W. F. Bartleman, proceeded on sick leave to the presidency; and Lieut. H. J. Peet to officiate as doing duty officer, and act as adjt. also, until Lieut. Story rejoins from out-post duty.

Orders confirmed:—

By the officer commanding 1st batt. 20th foot, dated the 18th ult., directing Lieut. H. Lawrence to act as adjt. to the left wing, v. Lieut. R. H. James, res.

By the officer commanding 21st N.I., dated the 18th ult., making the following appointments, in room of Lieut. R. S. Robertson, appointed wing officer to 31st N.I.:—

Capt. J. Trevenen, officg. wing officer, to officiate as 2nd in command and wing officer.

Lieut. and adjt. W. R. Martin to officiate as wing officer in addition to his other duties.

Presidency division order, dated the 19th ult., directing Asst. surg. W. C. Boyd, G batty., to proceed in medical charge of F. batty. 16th brig. R.A. to Dinapore.

Saugor district order, dated the 20th ult., making the following medical arrangements:—

Directing Staff asst. surg. W. J. Page and Asst. apothecary J. Casey, 97th foot, to proceed in medical charge of a detachment of invalids marching towards Calcutta.

Directing Asst. surg. W. Trail, M.D., and Hospital apprentice W. Dearden, 91st foot, to proceed with the Jabulpore party of invalids till it joins the Saugor detachment, and then return to regimental head quarters.

By the officer commanding 26th N.I., dated the 22nd ult., making the following appointments during his absence on leave:—

Capt. C. M. Longmore, 2nd in command and wing officer, to officiate as comdt.

Lieut. M. G. Smith, wing officer, to officiate as 2nd in command and wing officer.

Lieut. and adjt. W. F. Badgley to officiate as wing officer.

Lieut. and qrmr. C. N. Hodgson to officiate as adjt.

Lieut. A. Fitzgerald, doing duty officer, to officiate as qrmr.

The undermentioned officers are appointed to do duty with troops proceeding to England on board the *Calcutta*:—

To Command.—Capt. T. S. Robin, 54th foot.

To do Duty.—Capt. J. W. Hughes, 54th foot, and Capt. W. C. E. Scott, 51st foot.

In Medical Charge.—Surg. E. J. Franklyn, M.D., 7th drag. gds.

The services of the commanding and medical officers are placed at the disposal of the quarter-master gen. at the presidency for transport duty.

MOVEMENTS OF REGIMENTS.

The following relief movements are, with the sanction of Govt., ordered:—

H.M.'s 36th foot from Lucknow to Shahjehanpore and Moradabad, according to instructions forwarded by the qrmr. gen.

H.M.'s 46th foot from Shahjehanpore and Moradabad to Lucknow, according to instructions forwarded by the qrmr. gen.

The undermentioned officers are appointed to do duty as specified:—

Col. L. C. Bouchier, 89th foot, with the Kussowlie convalescent depot, from Jan. 1, till Col. R. Pratt relinquishes command of the depot.

Lieut. H. U. Smith, late 40th N.I., to do general duty at Bareilly.

The undermentioned officers passed the prescribed colloquial examination on Sept. 15 last:—

Lieut. T. H. Lloyd, R.A.

Asst. surgs. C. H. Y. Godwin, R.A., and R. De B. Rieordan, 38th foot.

ADDENDUM.—To G.O.C.C. of 5th inst., granting leave to visit Calcutta, on m.c., under new rules, to Maj. A. S. O. Donaldson, late 45th N.I., add "prep. to applying for leave to Europe."

Leave of absence:—

Brigade Staff.—Capt. G. Ward (brigade major, Dinapore), from Oct. 31, 1864, to Oct. 31, 1865, to visit the Hills north of Deyrah, on m.c.

Staff Corps.—Lieut. T. R. D. Bingham (2nd squad. officer 8th Bengal cav.), from Nov. 24 to Dec. 31, in ext.

51th Foot.—Lieut. H. Lambard, from date of embark., to England, via the Cape, on m.c.

77th Foot.—Lieut. E. N. Mosley, from date of embark., to England for 17 mos., on private affairs, doing duty with troops on the voyage.

105th Foot.—Lieut. J. E. Whitehead and Ens. C. Power, from date of embark., to England, for 5 mos.

Rifle Brigade.—Ens. the Hon. B. T. Howard (2nd batt.), from date of embark., to England, via either route, on m.c.

Late 1st E.B.F.—Capt. J. Morland (station staff Murree depot), from Nov. 10 to Feb. 9, in ext., to proceed to Calcutta to study the native languages.

Late 37th N.I.—Lieut. F. A. Buckley (doing duty officer, 3rd Goorkha regt.), from Oct. 16, 1864, to Oct. 15, 1865, in ext.

Medical Dept.—Asst. surg. J. C. Dickinson, from date of availing himself of the leave, for 2 mos., prep. to retirement from the service.

Vet. Dept.—Veterinary surg. I. Bicknell (attached to B batty., C brig. R.H.A.), from Oct. 23 to Oct. 18, 1865, in ext., to remain on the hills north of Deyrah, on m.c.

Nov. 26.—Maj. gen. A. M. Becher, C.B., app. permanently to the divisional staff of the army by G.G.O. No. 950 of 25th inst., is posted to the Oude div.

The undermentioned officers are app. to do duty with troops proceeding to England on board the *Trafalgar*:—

To Command.—Maj. J. H. Creagh, 27th foot.

To do Duty.—Capt. J. F. Wyse, 34th foot; Lieuts. C. N. Norris, 80th foot, and W. H. C. Smith, 104th foot.

In Medical Charge.—Asst. surg. A. Hooper, 42nd foot.

The serv. of the comdg. and medical officers are placed at the disp. of the qrmr. gen. for transport duty.

The following orders are confirmed:—

Lahore div. order dated Sept. 24 last, appg. Capt. G. R. Miller, of the 90th foot, to offic. as dep. asst. qrmr. gen., with effect from 21st idem, v. Lieut. col. D. C. Shute, on leave.

Meerut station order dated 22nd ult., directing Col. W. F. Beeson, Bengal inf., doing gen. duty,

to assume command of the station, v. Maj. gen. F. Wheler, c.b., proceeded on duty.

Nov. 28.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following apps., until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

28th Foot.—Capt. E. O'Neill, from the 45th foot, to be capt., v. Adams, who exchanges, dated Nov. 29, 1864.

45th Foot.—Capt. T. E. Adams, from the 28th foot, to be capt., v. O'Neill, who exchanges, dated Nov. 29, 1864.

Lieut. G. E. J. Maidman, staff corps, is directed to do general duty at Barrackpore, on the disbandment of the East Indian regt.

Under instructions from Horse Guards, Capt. E. M. Palliser and Lieut. W. E. Shaw, of the 7th hussars, are directed to proceed to England, at the public expense, for the purpose of joining the regt. depot.

Farewell Order to the Royal Horse Artillery.

No. 1,032.—H.E. the C. in C. has already issued a farewell order to the head qrs. and A and B batteries C brig. royal horse arty., but H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council feels that on the occasion of the departure for the first time to England of two batteries that prior to the amalgamation of the British and Indian armies belonged to the Bengal horse arty., the Govt. of India should not be silent.

These batteries were formerly the 1st troop 1st brig., and 1st troop 3rd brig. of the Bengal horse arty.

The former when only just raised, as the first body of H.A. formed in India, proceeded to Egypt with the force under Sir D. Baird, and earned for the Bengal H.A. the distinction of wearing the "Sphinx" with the word "Egypt."

Returning to India, the 1st troop 1st brig. served in Lord Lake's campaign of 1804-5; was present at the surprise of Holkar at Furruckabad, at the battle of Deig, and in the pursuit of Holkar to the Panjab.

In 1814-15 the troop served under Maj. gen. Gillespie against the Ghorkas in the Deyrah Dhoon.

In 1817 it was employed at the siege and capture of Hattaras.

In 1824-25-26 it served throughout the war in Ava.

Proceeding to Afghanistan early in 1841, the troop took part in some minor affairs, and subsequently, though perishing almost to a man, acquired undying honour for the regt. and the army to which it belonged by its heroic bearing under all the trials and disasters at Cabul in the winter of 1841-42 and in the retreat.

The troops served in the Sutledge campaign, and was present at the battles of Moodkee, Ferozeshur, and Aliwal.

It was engaged in several affairs on the Peshawur frontier under Sir C. Campbell in the year 1852.

The troop was at Jullundur when the native regt. mutinied at that station in June, 1857, and subsequently to that occurrence proceeded to Delhi. It was constantly engaged with the enemy until the capture of the city, and took part in the action of Nujfghur under Brigadier gen. John Nicholson on Aug. 25.

It marched from Delhi with the moveable column under Col. Greathed, and was engaged at Boolundshuhur, Allyghur, Agra, and other minor affairs, and subsequently, under Sir Hope Grant, crossed into Oude and relieved the Alumbagh.

The troop was distinguished in the operations for the relief of Lucknow under Lord Clyde, and afterwards served at Cawnpore and at Futtelghurh, as well as during the siege and capture of Lucknow in March, 1858.

Lastly, the troop was employed in the operations for the final suppression of the rebellion in Oude in 1858-59.

The 1st troop 3rd brigade was raised in 1809. It took part in the Nepal War in 1814-15, and served with the Grand Army in 1817-18, being engaged at Jawud.

The troop was present at the siege and capture of Bhurtpore in 1826, at Punnair in 1843, and in the Sutledge campaign of 1845-46, at the battles of Moodkee, Ferozeshuhur, and Sobraon.

It was attached to the Army of the Punjab in 1848-49, and was present at Ramnuggur, Sadohla-pore, Chilianwalla, and Goojerat.

During the mutiny one-half of the troop was engaged in a severe encounter with mutineers at Jhelum in 1857.

Brilliant as have been the services of these two

batteries; they are but a type of those rendered by the other portions of the Indian Artillery, and the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council can bestow no higher praise than to record that, wherever or whenever engaged, these two batteries have maintained the distinguished reputation of the regt. to which they belonged; and that they have on numerous occasions elicited the warmest admiration of the various celebrated leaders of armies in India.

The Government loses the services of such troops with unfeigned regret, but H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council has the satisfaction to feel assured that on all future occasions they will serve their Sovereign and their country with the same ability and devotion that have distinguished them on the numerous battle-fields of India.

The Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council takes leave of these batteries with the warmest wishes for their prosperity and honour.

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BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Fort St. George, Dec. 16.—Leave of absence:—Mr. W. F. Grahame, Madras C.S., for 15 mo., to Eur., on m.c.

Dec. 15.—Mr. A. McC. Webster, head asst. coll. of S. Canara, priv. leave for 3 mo.

Dec. 16.—Appointments:—

Mr. L. C. Innes, civil and session judge of Ootacamund, to offic. as a judge of the High Court of Judicature at Madras.

Mr. A. W. Phillips, civil and session judge of Chingleput, to act as civil and session judge of Ootacamund, during employ. of Mr. Innes on other duty.

Mr. J. G. Thompson, sub. coll. and joint mag. of Malabar, to act as civil and session judge of Chingleput, during employ. of Mr. Phillips on other duty.

Mr. J. H. Garstin, head asst. to coll. and mag. of Malabar, to act as sub. coll. and joint mag. of Malabar, during employ. of Mr. Thompson on other duty.

Mr. A. C. Burnell, asst. to coll. and mag. of Malabar, to act as head asst. to coll. and mag. of Malabar, during employ. of Mr. Garstin on other duty.

The following is to be substituted for the G.O.G. of the same number and date published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of Dec. 13, 1864:—

No. 471.—It has been intimated to the Govt. of India that the services of Capt. R. C. Stewart, cadre 8th regt. L.C., are available for civil employ. in Mysore.

Dec. 16.—No. 476.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following promotions, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals J. A. Reynolds, with temp. rank, to be dep. insp. gen. of hospitals with permanent rank, with effect from Aug. 1, 1864, v. Shaw, prom.

1st class Asst. surg. J. E. Dickinson to be surg., from Oct. 7, 1864, v. Surg. maj. Ford, lost with the *str. Persia*.

Lieut. col. F. F. Warden, 34th regt. L.I., is permitted to visit Madras, the Eastern Coast, and Calcutta, on 4 mo. leave from date of quitting Singapore, the first 60 days of which will be priv. leave.

The undermentioned officer has returned to his duty, by permission of the Home Govt., without prejudice to his rank:—

Surg. maj. W. G. Pritchard, M.D., medical dept.; arrived at Madras on Dec. 9, 1864.

No. 479.—Madras Staff Corps.—The undermentioned officer having applied for admission to the Madras staff corps, under the provisions of paras. 2 and 7 of G.O.G. No. 531 of 1864, republished Madras G.O.G. July 22, 1864, No. 276, is admitted thereto from the date specified against his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secretary of State for India:—

Lieut. H. G. Puckle, 28th regt. N.I., executive engineer, 4th class, Sumbulpore division, Central Provinces, from Feb. 19, 1861.

No. 480.—Madras Volunteer Guards.—The following regimental order issued to the Madras volunteer guards is confirmed:—

Dated Dec. 15.—Notifying the following appointment, subject to his passing the prescribed examination in drill:—

No. 6 Company, Mr. R. Branson to be ensign, to fill an existing vacancy.

Leave of absence:—

Dec. 20.—Maj. A. B. Marsack, cantonment joint mag. at Trichinopoly, privilege leave for 30 days, from and after the 5th prox.

Maj. J. H. M. S. Stewart, under secretary to

Govt., public works dept., 1 mo. privilege leave, from the 2nd prox.

Appointments:—

Maj. R. McK. Macdonald, Madras staff corps, to be registrar gen. of assurances.

Mr. H. Bowers to be an inspector of schools, in succession to Maj. Macdonald.

These appointments will take effect from Jan. 1, 1865.

Asst. surg. J. Shortt, M.D., to be gen. superint. of vaccination.

Asst. surg. J. Ross, M.B., acting zillah surg. of Tanjore, to be zillah surg. of that district.

Mr. H. Sewell, asst. to the coll. and mag. of Madura, to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of the district of S.uth Canara.

The Hon. L. C. Innes, offic. judge of the high court of judicature at Madras, entered upon his duties on the 16th inst.

Mr. J. G. Thompson, acting civil and session judge of Chingleput, assumed charge of the court and jail from Mr. C. N. Pochin on the 17th inst.

Mr. L. C. Innes, civil and session judge of Ootacamund, delivered over charge of the court on the 13th inst.

Mr. A. W. Phillips, civil and session judge of Chingleput, delivered over charge of the court to the acting sub-coll. and joint mag. of the Madras district on the 14th inst.

The undermentioned gentlemen of the Madras civil service have attained the rank of 5th class on the date set opposite to their names:—

Mr. C. G. Walker, B.A., Oct. 7, 1864.

Mr. A. C. Burnell, Oct. 7, 1864.

Mr. J. Grose, B.A., Oct. 7, 1864.

Mr. W. Wilson, M.A., Oct. 7, 1864.

Mr. W. S. Foster, B.A., Oct. 7, 1864.

Mr. J. E. Armstrong, B.A., Oct. 7, 1864.

Mr. W. M. Qubae, acting joint mag. of Coimbatore, is authorised, under Section 196 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to take down the evidence of witnesses with his own hand, in English.

Dec. 19.—Mr. Cole, dep. coll. of Coimbatore, having returned to his duty on the 14th inst., the remaining portion of the leave granted to him in the *Gazette* of Oct. 11 is cane.

Dec. 20.—No. 483.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe:—Capt. A. C. Lilly, staff corps, 2nd in command 3rd inf., Hyderabad contingent, on m.c. for 20 mo., under the regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

The underment. officer has returned to his duty, by permission of the Home Govt., without prejudice to his rank:—Capt. E. R. H. Twyford, staff corps, dist. supt. of police, 1st class, Central Provs., arrived at Bombay Dec. 12.

With reference to G.O.G. No. 235, of Sept. 18, 1855, Lieut. and supern. dep. asst. comy. I. Curran, is brought on the permanent ordnance estab. from Dec. 1, v. Duncan, res.

No. 481.—Madras Staff Corps.—The underment. officers having applied for admission to the staff corps, are admitted thereto from the dates specified against their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secy. of State for India:—

Capt. T. H. Stoddard, H.M.'s 1st batt. 18th (Royal Irish) regt., comdt. of the depot of Eur. troops at Poonamallee, date of admission Oct. 29, 1861.

Capt. C. D. Clementson, 14th regt. N.I., station staff officer, St. Thomas' Mount, date of admission, Jan. 1, 1864.

Lieut. H. W. H. Cox, 5th regt. N.I., asst. supt. of Mofussil police, date of admission, March 1, 1861.

Lieut. J. T. McGoun, 36th regt. N.I., adjt. of his regt., date of admission, Nov. 13, 1861.

Lieut. H. C. Onslow, 35th regt. N.I., doing duty, and offic. adjt., 4th cav., Hyderabad contingent, date of admission, March 11, 1862.

Dec. 23.—Mr. A. W. Phillips, acting civil and session judge of Ootacamund, received charge of the Court from the Court Sheristadar, on 20th inst.

Mr. W. Logan, acting head asst. to coll. and mag. of Tanjore, is authorised to hear and dispose of appeals from the decisions of the sub. mags. of the 2nd class, stationed within his charge.

Dec. 20.—Mr. H. Gompertz, asst. superint. of revenue survey, Kurnool, is invested with power to fine and imprison; also with other powers.

Dec. 23.—Mr. W. S. Foster, who is invested with the powers of a mag., to perform the duties and exercise the powers which are assigned to and conferred on the mag. of the district.

No. 487.—Lieut. col. A. R. Fraser, of the staff corps, paymr. Hyderabad subsidiary force, is perm. to proceed to Bombay on m.c., with a view to obtain a final cert. to proceed to Eur.

No. 488.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following expts. and proms., the latter subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Maj. W. C. Clarke, of the 2nd regt. L.C., acting paymr. Vizagapatam, to act as paymr. Hyderabad subsidiary force, during the absence on leave of Lieut. col. Fraser, or until further orders.

Surg. maj. C. W. Pickering (acting garrison surg.), to be garrison surg., with effect from Aug. 1, v. Reynolds, prom.

Brevet.

Lieut. J. H. E. Johnson, late 2nd European L.C., to be capt. from Dec. 20.

Lieut. J. C. Hay, staff corps, from Dec. 20.

At the recommendation of the C. in C., Lieut. col. R. Biddulph, R.A., is re appd. military secy. to H.E., with effect from Oct. 25, the date of his return to Madras from Eur.

The undermen. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur.:—Lieut. and brev. capt. R. C. Lavie, 3rd regt. L.I., is perm. to proceed to Eur. m.c. for 3 yrs., under the old regs., and to embark from Madras.

Capt. R. Cox, 38th regt. N.I., is permitted to proceed to Bombay on m.c., from Dec. 25, to appear before a medical board for the purpose of obtaining a final certificate for leave to Australia.

Lieut. F. W. Buller, cav. gen. list, doing duty 2nd regt. L.C., is permitted to Bombay on m.c., from Dec. 17, or date of departure, to appear before a medical board for the purpose of obtaining a final certificate for leave to Europe.

The services of Lieut. M. A. Rowlandson, staff corps, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India, for appt. to the Punjab irreg. force.

No. 490.—Madras Staff Corps.—The underment. officer having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provisions of paras. 2 and 7 of G.O.G.G. No. 731, republished in Madras G.O.G., July 22, No. 276, is admitted thereto from the date specified against his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. J. P. Warlow, 5th regt. N.I., asst. supnt. of Mofussil police, Feb. 19, 1861.

Lieut. J. Lampen, having completed 12 years' service, 4 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt. from Dec. 20, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Dec. 21.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. G. A. Murray, judge's clerk, for 1 mo., from 16th inst.

Mr. H. Roberts, asst. engr., Tanjore, for 3 mo., from date of quitting his range.

No. 73.—Mr. J. Shelly, insp. of police, South Malabar, for 1 mo.

Dec. 23.—Mr. J. H. Nelson, acting head asst. coll. of Madura, for 2 mo., from Jan. 29, 1865.

No. 75.—The priv. leave of absence granted to Mr. W. Green, insp. of police, Tanjore, for 1 mo., has been cane. at his own request.

Dec. 27.—No. 493.—Capt. W. Douglas, staff corps, is app. to act as paymaster at Vizagapatam, during the absence on leave of Lieut. col. Russell.

Recalling to Duty from Leave.

The following letter from the Government of India to the Government of Madras is published for general information:—

From E. H. Lushington, Esq., Secy. to the Govt. of India, to the Secy. to the Govt. of Madras.

Sir,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 1,981, of Oct. 26, 1864, and, in reply, to state that the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to rule, in supersession of the orders conveyed in the letter from this department to the civil paymaster Madras, No. 13,907, dated Nov. 26, 1861, that when a local Government recalls to duty an officer who is absent on priv. leave, that Government may, without a reference to the Government of India, allow him to take the balance of his interrupted leave at any future period within the same or the following year.—I have, &c., E. H. LUSHINGTON, Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Pensions to Uncovenanted Officers.

The following letter from the Government of India to the Government of Madras is published for general information:—

No. 3,469.

From E. H. Lushington, Esq., Secy. to the Govt. of India, financial dept., to the Secy. of Fort St. George, financial dept.

Fort William, Nov. 26, 1864.

Sir,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, 526, of the 12th ult., recommending that the rule which requires extra allowances accruing from officiating appointments held by uncove-

nanted officers to be discarded in the computation for pension, should be modified in favour of officers acting in fully vacant appointments in which they are eventually confirmed or which are subsequently abolished.

2. In reply, I am to state that the cases in question might be treated, without any change of rule, by requiring the confirmation to such appointments to be declared retrospectively with effect from the date of assumption of the duties, and informing the audit office accordingly.—I have the honour to be, &c., (Signed) E. H. LUSHINGTON, Secy. to the Govt. of India.

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Bombay Castle, Dec. 16.—No. 623.—The following officer having applied for admission to the staff corps, is app. to the Bombay staff corps, from the date specified opposite his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. W. H. Yates, 3rd N.I., doing duty officer 28th N.I., Nov. 25, 1864.

No. 624.—The following officers are brought on the strength of H.M.'s British forces under this Presidency:—

Staff surg. St. J. Stanley.

Staff asst. surg. W. A. Davidson.

Staff asst. surg. W. T. Paliologus.

Dec. 19.—No. 626.—The services of Lieut. G. H. L. Pole, R.E., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Madras, for duty in the public works dept.

No. 627.—The undermentioned officer having applied for admission to the staff corps is app. to the Bombay staff corps, from March 2, 1862, the date of his appt. in probation:—

Lieut. (brev. capt.) N. Marsh, 18th regt. N.I.

Dec. 20.—No. 628.—The services of Lieut. Grant, H.M.'s 33rd regt., are replaced at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C.

Dec. 21.—No. 629.—The following officers having applied for admission to the staff corps, are app. to the Bombay staff corps, from the date specified opposite their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Capt. J. F. Berthon, 18th N.I., probationer commissariat dept., April 1, 1862.

Lieut. W. T. Keays, 14th N.I., sub asst. comy. gen., April 1, 1862.

Lieut. A. M. Shewell, cadre 2nd Eur. regt., prob. commissariat dept., July 17, 1863.

No. 630.—The services of Maj. R. D. Hassard have been replaced at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C.

No. 631.—The undermentioned officer having completed 20 years' service, to be major, by brevet, from the date specified, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Capt. H. H. James; Dec. 10, 1864.

No. 632.—The following adjustment of rank and promotion are made, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

3rd Regt. N.I.—Adjustment of Rank:—Capt. J. Clements, staff corps, to have the position of capt., from Aug. 12, 1862, v. Raverty, ret.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

No. 1,157.—The undermentd. officers are reported to have passed the required examination in the native language as follows:—

Hindoostanee.—Staff Test.

Asst. surg. C. G. H. Ross, 2nd gr. regt. N.I.

Lieut. R. M. Chambers, 5th regt. N.L.I.

Lieut. F. H. Jackson, gen. list, attached to 16th regt. N.I.

No. 1,158.—H.R.H. the Field Marshal C. in C. has been pleased to grant leave of absence as follows:—

Maj. J. Miller, 3rd dragoon guards, from Oct. 29, to April 26, on m.c.

The undermentioned officers have obtained leave of absence, subject to confirmation by H.E. the C. in C. in India:—

Lieut. J. G. Edwardes, R.A. (18th brig.), to England, by overland route, on m.c.

Qmr. W. Connell, 4th foot, to England, by overland route, on m.c.

Lieut. J. G. Edwardes will, on arrival, report himself to the adj. gen., Horse Guards.

Qmr. W. Connell is not available for duty with troops, and will, on arrival, report himself to the adj. gen., Horse Guards.

Leave of absence:—

Lieut. T. L. Fraser, 14th regt. N.I. from Jan. 1 to Jan. 31, to Bombay, for the purpose of appearing before the civ. and mil. examn. committee.

Lieut. T. A. Buchanan, attached to 6th regt. N.I., gen. list, 30 days from date of dep., to Bombay, on

m.c., prepy. to obtaining a final certificate to Europe.

Lieut. F. W. Bean, doing duty officer 6th regt. N.L. gen. list, 30 days from date of dep., to Bombay, on m.c.

Adjutant-general's Office, Poona, Dec. 19.—No. 1,159.—The following apps. are made:—

5th Regt. N.L.I.

Lieut. R. M. Chambers to be adjt., v. Hogg, who resigns on app. to the qmr. gen's. dept.

Lieut. C. M. Ryes, gen. list, to offi. as doing duty officer.

27th Regt. N.I., or 1st Belooch Batt.

Lieut. C. D. P. Payne, 13th regt. N.I., to offic. as adjt. during the absence of Lieut. Browne on furl.

Capt. C. J. Turnbull, cadre 23rd regt. N.L.I., is attached to that corps.

No. 1,160.—Asst. surg. F. R. O'Kearney, M.D., is app. to the medical charge of the Eur. and native details and staff at Asseerghur.

Dec. 20.—No. 1,164.—Returned to duty:—

Lieut. H. Doveton, royal engrs., Dec. 12, 1864.

Capt. J. P. M. Newton, 11th regt. N.I., Dec. 14, 1864.

No. 1,165.—Brev. capt. J. P. M. Newton, 11th regt. N.I., is placed on gen. duty, Poona.

Dec. 21.—No. 1,168.—Returned to duty, Dec. 12:—

Lieut. col. A. De Lisle, royal engrs.

No. 1,169.—Referring to G.O.C. No. 993, dated Oct. 31 last, the following apps. are made in the qmr. gen's. dept., with effect from 16th ult., v. Maj. J. Wray, dec.:—

Maj. J. Macdonald to be dep. qmr. gen. of the army.

Capt. T. J. Holland to be asst. qmr. gen., v. Macdonald.

Capt. R. Mallaby to be dep. asst. qmr. gen., v. Holland.

No. 1,170.—With the sanction of Govt., asst. apoth. F. St. Francis, of the sub. med. estab., is admitted to the invalid pension list, on a monthly stipend of rupees 40, at Goa.

No. 1,171.—H.E. the C. in C. in India has been pleased to grant leave of absence as follows:—

Lieut. W. Fleming, 95th foot, 15 mo. from date of embarkation, to Eng., on priv. affairs.

The undermentioned officer has obtained leave of absence:—

Vety. surg. E. T. Cheesman, 3rd drag. guards, from Nov. 23 to Dec. 22, to proceed to Bombay, on m.c.

Dec. 23.—No. 1,173.—The leave granted to Lieut. col. R. L. Taylor, C.B., of the staff corps, in G.O.C. No. 1,138, of the 10th inst., is converted into priv. leave, and the above G.O., so far as it relates to this officer, is cane.

No. 1,174.—Staff assist. surg. W. T. Paliologus, now at the Colaba Sanitarium, is attached for duty to the 45th regt. of foot at Colaba.

No. 1,179.—Leave of absence:—

4th foot, Col. W. MacMahon, C.B., from Dec. 25, to Feb. 22, 1865, on private affairs.

BIRTHS.

BUTTANSHAW.—At Seorie, in Beerbhoom, on Dec. 18, 1864, the wife of Capt. T., District Superintendent of Police, of a son.

COWELL.—At No. 35, Chowringhee-road, Calcutta, on Dec. 19, the wife of Herbert Cowell, Esq., of a daughter.

CLERK.—At Rundall's-road, Madras, on Dec. 14, the wife of Smollet W., of a son.

DAMPIER.—At Kishnagur, on Dec. 19, the wife of H. L. D. Dampier, Esq., of a daughter.

GRAY.—At the Church Mission-house, Black Town, Madras, on Dec. 14, the wife of the Rev. W., of a son.

GAHAN.—At Madras, on Dec. 18, the wife of G. F., of a son.

GILLHAM.—At 9, Government-place, Calcutta, on Dec. 6, the wife of Capt. F. M., of a daughter.

HENDRICK.—At Madras, on Dec. 14, the wife of Mr. Joseph, of a daughter.

LOWTHER.—At Berhampore, on the 19th Dec., the wife of Brevet Major W. H., Bengal Army, of a daughter.

LIGHTFOOT.—At Cherra Poonjee, on the 3rd Dec., the wife of E., Bengal Staff Corps, of a son.

MCCARTHY.—At Allyghur, on the 14th Dec., the wife of Washington, of a daughter.

POLE.—At Jaffa, on the 10th Dec., 1864, the wife of R. C., Civil Service, of a son.

SOWERBY.—At Nungumbaukum, Madras, on the 14th Dec., Mrs. W., of a son.

WALKER.—At Chinnoor, Cachar, on Nov. 30, the wife of G. A., tea planter, of twins, son and daughter.

WALKER.—At Coonoor, on the 11th Dec., the wife of Lieut. Col. G. W., R.E., of twins.

WINTER.—At Gottettowa, Baddagam, Ceylon, on the 13th Dec., the wife of G. W., of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

HUNT—LINN.—At the Scots Kirk, Kandy, on Dec. 17, William Hunt, Esq., Superintendent Peak Estate, Keduganava, to Jane, second daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Linn, Edinburgh.

MACKINNON—MATHIAS.—At Trinity Church, Pussilava, Ceylon, on Dec. 15, Farquhar D. Mackinnon, Madras Army, to Alice Ellen Mathias, third daughter of the Venerable Archdeacon Mathias, late of Colombo, Ceylon.

SCOTT—FLEETWOOD.—At St. John's Church, Calcutta, on Dec. 15, Robert Thomas Scott, Esq., Assistant-surgeon, 11th Regt., to Mary Elizabeth, eldest daughter of the late James Fleetwood, Esq., 74th Regt., of Bellamore, Co. Tipperary, Ireland.

VON BIBRA—HEMBROUGH.—At Dinapore, on Dec. 14, Charles Frederick, youngest son of B. Von Bibra, Esq., to Ellen Eliza, eldest daughter of Mr. F. Hembrough, D.P.W.

DEATHS.

GRANT.—At Umritsur, on the 22nd Oct., accidentally killed by a fall from his horse, Assist. Surg. George A. Grant, R.A.

HERBERT.—At Colpetty, Colombo, on Dec. 19, 1864, Mary Banks, daughter of the late J. D. Herbert, of Kandy, aged 3 years and 11 months.

LEATHES.—At sea, Nov. 1, G. G. Leathes, capt. in the staff corps, asst. polit. agent in Kattivar.

LYONS.—At Malligaum, Dec. 17, Willoughby Learmonth, the beloved child of Capt. E. W. Lyons, staff corps, aged 4 years.

NORMINGTON.—At Bangalore, Dec., Rev. S. Normington, of the Wesleyan Mission.

REES.—At Simla, Dec. 15, the infant daughter of Mr. W. H. Rees.

ROBERTSON.—At Bellary, on Dec. 12, Flora Maria, the beloved wife of Colonel J. Elphinstone Robertson, commanding 2nd Battalion 21st Royal North British Fusiliers.

TAYLOR.—At Masulipatam, of injuries sustained by the fall of a house during the inundation of Nov. 1, John Taylor, second son of Capt. C. Taylor, aged 25 years and 6 months.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c.,
IN H.M.'s REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA.
Jan. 24.

1st Dragoon Guards.—Cornet C. Gandy to be lieut., by purch., v. T. A. Gough, who ret.; Gent. Cadet M. G. Lloyd, from the royal milly. coll., to be cornet, by purch., v. Gandy; Jan. 24.

3rd Dragoon Guards.—Lieut. A. H. White to be capt., by purch., v. F. B. Johnston, who ret.; Cornet H. Langtry to be lieut., by purch., v. White; D. A. Grant, gent., to be cornet, by purch., v. Langtry; Jan. 24.

21st Hussars.—Cornet R. C. Smith has been permitted to ret. from the serv. by the resignation of his commission; Oct. 1.

Royal Art.—2nd Capt. C. Raikes to be capt., v. G. G. J. Campbell, dec.; Lieut. H. P. Lane to be 2nd capt., v. Raikes; Jan. 7. Lieut. C. S. V. Wilson to be 2nd capt., v. A. L. Kaye, who res.; Jan. 10. 2nd Capt. W. H. Newcome to be adjt., v. 2nd Capt. Vibart, prom.; Dec. 15. Staff surg. J. Hannan to be surg.; Asst. surg. J. Greig, M.B., from 23rd foot, to be asst. surg., v. G. Milne, M.D., placed upon half-pay; Jan. 24.

Royal Engrs.—Capt. J. M. Grant to be lieut. col., v. Gray, dec.; 2nd Capt. F. E. Pratt to be capt., v. Grant; Lieut. H. Locock to be 2nd capt., v. Pratt; Jan. 7. Lieut. F. Hime to be 2nd capt., v. Stokes, who ret. upon tempy. half-pay; Jan. 24.

Mily. Train.—Gent. Cadet W. F. Rudman, from the royal milly. coll., to be ens., v. G. M. Richmond, transf. to the 36th foot; Jan. 24.

7th Foot.—Lieut. F. Beauchamp to be capt., by purch., v. A. J. Tuke, who ret.; Ens. J. Potham to be lieut., by purch., v. Beauchamp; Gent. Cadet A. B. Parnell, from the royal milly. coll., to be ens., by purch., v. Potham; Jan. 24.

28th Foot.—Gent. Cadet A. J. Hutchinson, from the royal milly. coll., to be ens., without purch., v. T. F. Courtenay, dec.; Staff asst. surg. T. S. Barrow, M.D., to be asst. surg., v. J. Greig, M.B., app. to the R.A.; Jan. 24.

28th Foot.—Capt. E. O'Neill, from 45th foot, to be capt., v. Adams, who exchanges; Nov. 29. Lieut. E. C. C. Farnall, from 25th foot, to be lieut., v. O'Brien, who exchanges; Jan. 24.

35th Foot.—Lieut. W. W. Sherlock to be capt., by purch., v. M. M. Pohle, who ret.; Ens. C. Semple to be lieut., by purch., v. F. B. Gippis, who ret.; Ens. J. R. B. Buscarlet to be lieut., by purch., v. Sherlock; Gent. Cadet A. P. Hawthorne, from the royal milly. coll., to be ens., by purch., v. Semple; Jan. 24. R. A. W. Bayly, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. Buscarlet; Jan. 25.

38th Foot.—Capt. and Brev. maj. the Hon. C. J. Addington to be maj., by purch., v. Brev. Lieut. col. Gloster, prom. by purch. in 97th foot; Lieut. J. A. Caldecott to be capt., by purch., v. Brev. maj. the Hon. C. J. Addington; Ens. L. W. Lee to be lieut., by purch., v. Caldecott; Jan. 24. Ens. R. C. Nicholletts, from 81st foot, to be ens., v. Ditmas, who exchanges; Nov. 20. Gent. Cadet T. G. Cuthall, from the royal milly. coll., to be ens., by purch., v. Lee; Jan. 24.

44th Foot.—Capt. J. H. Linton, from 76th foot, to be capt., v. Franklin, who exchanges; Nov. 5.

46th Foot.—Lieut. T. Murphy to be instructor of musketry, v. Lieut. A. Whitten, who has joined the depot; Jan. 9.

52nd Foot.—Capt. L. R. Parry, from 12th foot, to be capt., v. Pearson, who exchanges; Nov. 22.

60th Foot.—Capt. A. J. Fitzgerald to be maj., by purch., v. H. C. Marriott, who ret.; Lieut. G. Hatchell to be capt., by purch., v. Fitzgerald; Ens. G. T. Whitaker to be lieut., by purch., v. Hatchell; Gent. Cadet A. F. H. Mitchell-Innes, from the royal milly. coll., to be ens., by purch., v. Whitaker; Jan. 24.

66th Foot.—Qrmer. T. G. Gilby, from 108th foot, to be qrmer., v. Hammond, who exchanges; Jan. 24.

71st Foot.—Lieut. R. J. Isacke to be capt., by purch., v. W. C. C. Elwes, who ret.; Ens. F. Brodie to be lieut., by purch., v. Isacke; Gent. Cadet H. N. Pinnock, from the royal milly. coll., to be ens., by purch., v. Brodie; Jan. 24.

72nd Foot.—Qrmer. P. Murray, from 91st foot, to be qrmer., v. Monroe, who exchanges; Jan. 24.

76th Foot.—Capt. W. Franklin, from 44th foot, to be capt., v. Linton, who exchanges; Nov. 5. Capt. F. G. Dunn, from 3rd West India regt., to be capt., v. Marshall, who exchanges; Jan. 24.

77th Foot.—Ens. G. H. C. Dyce, from 15th foot, to be ens., v. Hurlock, transf. to 87th foot; Jan. 24.

81st Foot.—Ens. E. Ditmas, from 38th foot, to be ens., v. Nicholletts, who exchanges; Nov. 20.

91st Foot.—Qrmer. D. Munro, from 72nd foot, to be qrmer., v. Murray, who exchanges; Jan. 24.

94th Foot.—Gent. Cadet C. C. Budd, from the royal milly. coll., to be ens., by purch., v. W. E. Montague, prom.; Jan. 24.

97th Foot.—Maj. and Brev. Lieut. col. E. T. Gloster, from 38th foot, to be lieut. col., by purch., v. S. M. Hawkins, who ret.; Jan. 24.

104th Foot.—Lieut. C. Pigou to be capt., v. J. J. Hockley, who ret. on pension; Ens. W. H. C. Smith to be lieut., v. Figou; Oct. 15. Ens. W. G. C. Halkett, from 105th foot, to be ens., v. Smith; Jan. 24.

107th Foot.—Staff surg. D. Woods to be surg.; Jan. 24.

108th Foot.—Qrmer. H. Hammond, from 66th foot, to be qrmer., v. Gilby, who exchanges; Jan. 24.

Rifle Brigade.—Ens. H. A. Lascelles to be lieut., by purch., v. the Hon. C. North, who ret.; Ens. A. C. F. FitzGeorge, from 37th foot, to be ens., v. Lascelles; Jan. 24.

Ceylon Rifle Regt.—Gent. Cadet T. C. A. Fox, from the royal milly. coll., to be ens., without purch., v. J. W. Arrowsmith, prom., without purch., in the 4th West India regt.; Jan. 24.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Asst. surg. C. J. Davenport, M.D., from 6th dragoon guards, to be staff asst. surg., v. T. P. Flynn, dec.; Jan. 24.

UNATTACHED.

Capt. and Brev. col. E. Roche, from half-pay unattached, to be maj., without purch.; Jan. 24.

Lieut. W. Thompson, from the mily. train, to be capt., without purch.; Jan. 24.

BREVET.

Lieut. col. G. Lambrick, R.M., to be A.D.C. to the Queen, with the rank of col.; Nov. 28.

Capt. and Brev. Lieut. col. J. C. D. Morrison, R.M., on retd. full pay, to have the honorary rank of col., under the order in council of Nov. 13, 1858; Jan. 2.

Maj. G. S. Young, half-pay, late 80th foot, to be lieut. col.; Jan. 24.

Capt. B. C. Russell, 13th hussars, to be maj.; Jan. 24.

Capt. O. T. Barne, half-pay, late 20th foot, to be maj.; Jan. 24.

Capt. J. J. Hockley, 104th foot, who ret. on a pension, to have the honorary rank of maj.; Oct. 15.

Capt. F. E. Budd, retd. full pay, R.M., to have the honorary rank of maj., under the provisions of the order in council of Nov. 13, 1858; Jan. 6.

The undermentioned proms. to take place consequent on the dec. of Gen. W. L. Walton, col. 5th foot, on Jan. 11:—

Lieut. gen. Beaumont, Lord Hotham, lieut. col. on half-pay unattached, to have the rank of gen.; Jan. 12.

Lieut. gen. Sir W. R. Clayton, Bart., lieut. col. on half-pay unattached, to have the rank of gen.; Jan. 12.

Lieut. gen. J. Spink, col. 2nd foot, to be gen.; Jan. 12.

Maj. gen. Sir E. Lugard, K.C.B., col. 31st foot, to be lieut. gen.; Jan. 12.

Lieut. col. and Brev. col. W. O'Grady Haly, C.B., from 38th foot, to be maj. gen.; Jan. 12.

Maj. J. Jordan, 34th foot, to be lieut. col.; Jan. 12.

Capt. W. A. G. Wright, R.M., to be maj.; Jan. 12.

The undermentioned proms. to take place consequent on the dec. of Lieut. gen. M. C. Paul, Bengal inf., on Jan. 7:—

Maj. gen. J. Bell, Madras inf., to be lieut. gen.; Jan. 8.

Col. W. F. Beatson, Bengal inf., to be maj. gen.; Jan. 8.

The undermentioned officers, having completed the qualifying serv. in the rank of lieut. col., to be cols., under the royal warrant of Oct. 14, 1858:—

Maj. and Brev. Lieut. col. W. A. Fyers, C.B., rifle brig.; June 8.

Maj. and Brev. Lieut. col. A. C. Robertson, 8th foot; Dec. 15.

Capt. and Brev. Lieut. col. J. F. M. Browne, C.B., R.E.; Dec. 26.

Lieut. col. A. McIan McDonald, depot batt.; Jan. 13.

The undermentioned officers, who have retired on full pay, to have a step of honorary rank, as follows:—

Col. S. A. Abbott, Bengal inf., to be maj. gen.; Jan. 24.

Lieut. col. J. C. Coley, Bombay inf., to be col.; Jan. 24.

Maj. C. Buckle, Bombay staff corps, to be lieut. col.; Jan. 24.

Capt. R. F. Grindall, Bengal inf., to be maj.; Jan. 24.

PATRONAGE OF ART BY LIMITED LIABILITY.

—We learn from Bombay that several European and Native gentlemen are engaged in endeavouring to form a "Photographic Association" with a capital of ten lacs of rupees, in 500 shares of 2,000 rupees each, to be placed under the management of Mr. Adolphe Engel, late of Poona. The object of the association will be to supply portraits of exceeding beauty and delicacy of finish, and, in fact, to have the art carried out by means of an establishment possessing all the art and skill possessed by the eminent establishments in Europe.

NATIVES OF THE TIME.—The *Times of India* notices the intended publication of a rather novel design in Bombay. The prospectus has been issued, and we may shortly expect to have on our tables an illustrated volume of "Men of the Time"—natives—existing in India. "Who they are, what they are, and whence they sprung" will be found recorded of all modern Indian celebrities. The work, which is, we are told, to be carried out in London under the highest artistic superintendence, will appear under the direct patronage of Sir Bartle Frere, Governor of Bombay.

To Correspondents.

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ALLEN'S INDIAN MAIL.

THURSDAY, January 26, 1865.

WEEKLY MAILS TO THE EAST.

A MEMORIAL, signed by the most wealthy and influential houses engaged in the India and China trade, has been presented to the Postmaster-general, praying for a very important change in the system of postal communication with the East. At present, as our readers are well aware, a mail is despatched from London, *via* Marseilles, on the 3rd, 10th, 18th, and 26th of every month, except when any of those dates happens to fall on a Sunday, in which case it is delayed until the following evening. The time was, and at no remote period, when the frequency and regularity of this correspondence were regarded as one of the greatest boons that could possibly be conferred on the mercantile community. Only a few years ago it took well-nigh twelve months to receive the reply to a letter addressed to any part of India, and half as long again to hear from Canton. This tardy intercommunication was at length superseded by a monthly mail, which speedily gave place to one despatched twice, and finally four times in the month, and for a while every one seemed content and satisfied with this arrangement. But now it is discovered that much inconvenience arises from the mail day falling on a constantly changing period of the week. Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, are comparatively blank days in the commercial world, whereas Friday may be looked upon as the summing up and epitome of the whole week's proceedings. It is, therefore, urged that it is on that day that the Eastern mails should be forwarded to their destination, an alteration that implies the despatch of four additional mails to India, two to China, and one to Australia, with a corresponding increase in the number of those received from those places. It is to be hoped that the Post-office authorities will accede to the wishes of the trading community, upon whose prosperity the success of that institution itself chiefly depends. All experience teaches us that, like the *dirus hydrops* of the Latin poet, the writing of

letters is multiplied in proportion to the opportunities afforded for its enjoyment. The more frequent the communication, the more weighty will be the bags and boxes forwarded by each despatch. The change, of course, cannot be made all at once. Some little time must elapse before the P. and O. Company can be expected to be in a position to meet the new exigencies of their monopoly, though it is by no means improbable that the Messageries Impériales will attempt to strike in and avail themselves of the opening that presents itself to an enterprising competitor. Nor would it be unfair to the English company, or—what is more to the point—at all disadvantageous to the public interests, if the extra mail were given to their adventurous rivals. And there is another improvement that should immediately be made. On several occasions within the last few months the mails have been detained for two and three days in Egypt because no steamer was in waiting at Alexandria to carry them on to Marseilles. Such detention is altogether disgraceful, because it might easily be avoided by providing an extra steamer, or by placing the mails in the first steam ship ready to take them, whatever might be its nationality. Simultaneously with the establishment of weekly postal communications, we may reasonably look for a reduction of the rates of passage money. If the P. and O. Company consulted their real interests, they would lose no time in placing within the reach of every subaltern, and of almost every European uncovenanted servant of the Government, the possibility of "running home" for a few months in every five or six years. Up to the rank of a field officer, except in the case of officers holding lucrative staff appointments, a considerable reduction might be made in favour of military men, with whom even the sum of £10 is no trifling consideration, and the same wise liberality might be extended to their wives and families. Perhaps a still greater benefit would be to charge only for passage and board, requiring each passenger to pay only for so much wine or beer as he might actually consume. The present system is doubtless more profitable for the company, but in these days no selfish monopoly will long be permitted to exist, and small profits are better than none at all.

A CHIEF COURT FOR THE PUNJAB.

A VERY excellent Bill has been introduced into the Governor-general's Council by Mr. Cust, with a view to establish in the Punjab a Chief Court analogous to the High Court of Calcutta. The proposed Court is to possess both an ordinary and an extraordinary jurisdiction. It will be constituted by two judges, one of whom

must have been a regular practising barrister, and accustomed to criminal procedure according to English law. Under its ordinary jurisdiction will fall all cases of final appeal, reference, and revision throughout the Province. All special or second appeals, which can only be on points of law, will be heard by this Court alone, as will also the final appeal in all cases affecting land, except in those districts where a settlement of land revenue may chance to be in actual progress, when the appeal will be to the Financial Commissioner. But it is the extraordinary jurisdiction assigned to the new Court which is especially worthy of eulogistic notice. Hitherto it has been asserted with too much truth that Europeans up-country enjoyed a virtual impunity of crime. The writer of this article himself remembers a case that happened some fourteen years ago, when a young officer in a native regiment, who had committed a double forgery, was permitted to escape with the loss of his commission, because the bank declined to incur the expense of taking witnesses a distance of nine hundred miles down to Calcutta. Sir Robert Napier likewise mentioned an instance that had occurred within his own knowledge several years ago. A European, he said, was charged with the murder of his sister-in-law, and on the evidence of his wife and bearers was committed by a magistrate and sent to Calcutta. On the way down, the wife was prevailed upon to retract what she had said, and the bearers absconded, so that when he came to be placed on his trial there was no one to appear against him. He was accordingly released, and the committing magistrate was severely censured by the Supreme Court. For all that, there was no moral doubt of the man's guilt, nor could he have escaped conviction but for the opportunity afforded by the length of the journey for tampering with the witnesses. And even when a successful prosecution has been instituted, the delay, costs, and inconvenience were quite intolerable. No further back than the last sessions of the High Court a European was prosecuted at the Government expense and found guilty of having stolen a bag of three hundred rupees at Lahore. But to effect this vindication of justice five European witnesses, including the head of the local police and the landlord of the chief hotel in that city, had to travel by *dākh* carriage, and railway train all the way to Calcutta. It was, perhaps, so far fortunate that the witnesses were Europeans, for had they been natives the probability is that some of them would have sickened and died before they could have been restored to their homes. Besides, it is quite certain that the moral effect of a punishment is greatly lessened when inflicted at a distance from the scene

of the crime which it is intended to expiate. As a case in point, Mr. Cust alluded to that of the unfortunate man Rudd, who killed a native on the banks of the Indus, for which he was tried at Calcutta and hanged; but it is even now doubtful if the friends and neighbours of the murdered peasant have ever heard of the terrible atonement made for that crime. All that they actually know is "that one of their number was killed by a Sahib, and that, as a punishment to them, other members of the community were carried off 1,500 miles to Calcutta under charge of the police."

This Bill, however, makes no provision for a Grand Jury, for which a sufficient body of intelligent Europeans liable to such service is not to be found in the cities of the Punjab. The Petty Jury will benefit by the absence of the twin institution. Not even military men will be exempt from sitting as jurors. And the experience of the recent trial for infanticide in Calcutta shows how much need there is for improvement. A young woman, named Emma Keith, who had been seduced by one Bogie, apothecary to the Bhowanipore Asylum, was delivered of a child some time in the course of the night. At an early hour on the following morning she was found lying on the floor of her bedroom, literally bathed in blood, and marks of blood were traced down the backstairs which led to the compound. At a short distance from the house a newly-born babe was discovered, lying in an open drain among broken bottles and other household debris. One hand was cut and a thigh bone fractured, so that the poor little sufferer must have been dropped into the drain, and not gently laid in it. That it was Emma Keith's baby is not disputed, but it was urged by her counsel that, as her mother was confined in the Lunatic Asylum at Bhowanipore, she also was not to be held strictly responsible for her acts. It was further pleaded that immediately after delivery a woman is too weak to walk down stairs and carry her child to a spot some yards distant. But if she were really under the influence of mental disease there was nothing wonderful in this result of extraordinary excitement. And it is clear that the child could not have walked of itself to the drain. Somebody must have conveyed it thither, and there was no one else at all likely to do so, save the unhappy mother. However, the jury acquitted her, in teeth of the evidence and of the adverse summing up of the Judge, and in spite of a particularly feeble defence, and now it is proposed to make a public subscription for this wretched girl, because she is the first European woman ever brought to trial in Calcutta on the charge of destroying her own infant! It may be said, perhaps, that

it is not only the jury, but the public also, that stands in need of moral amendment. But, be that as it may, it is abundantly manifest that there is ample room for improvement in the materials of which petty juries are composed, and this may in some degree be accomplished by introducing military men and the higher class of merchants. Sir Robert Napier expressed an opinion to the effect that verdicts of condemnation should be unanimous, but Mr. Anderson opposed this, for the reason advanced by Jeremy Bentham, that to demand unanimity is to enforce perjury by means of torture. And he quoted as an illustration of this objection that "on a day when the liberties of England were at stake, the day of the trial of the seven Bishops, the cause of all right was imperilled by the fact that Arnold, the King's brewer, was on the jury. He retarded the acquittal of the Bishops for a whole night, and might have worn out his brother jurymen, but for the statement of one, the largest and strongest of the twelve, that he would remain there until he was as thin as a tobacco pipe before he would consent to a verdict of guilty." Of petty juries in Bombay Mr. Anderson spoke in terms of unmitigated contempt. Their verdicts, he said, had in many instances for years past been simply scandalous, not indeed through vulgar corruption or gross stupidity, but from "the absence of that higher intelligence which can discriminate between facts as they really stand upon the evidence, and facts as discoloured by forensic fustian." He imputed to them an exaggerated sympathy for prisoners, and "a kind of bastard sentiment of mis-called independence which leads them to imagine that the acquittal of a prisoner inflicts some sort of discomfiture on the Government." This is, we fear, a true and graphic delineation of an India petty jury, and it will be well for the Punjab if, instead of the venerable but doubtfully advantageous grand jury, it be endowed with an improved edition of the less august but more useful institution. That Mr. Cust's Bill marks a decided progress in the judicial administration of the country will not be denied by any one, least of all by the European settlers at present scattered over its surface.

WEEKLY POSTAL COMMUNICATION WITH THE EAST.

For a long time past all the classes connected with the vast business of India and China have experienced inconvenience from the mails for the East being made up at specific dates of the month instead of on a fixed day of the week, as is the case with the Cunard and other steamers for America. The circumstance has at length led to the following memorial—which, as regards signatures, is one of the most unanimous and influential ever prepared in the city—being addressed to the Post-office for a remedy. As there are now four mails per calendar month to the East, the adoption of a system of regular weekly departures would

entail only a slight addition to the existing services, and the suggestion is that Friday should be appointed the day of departure, when the advices carried out would virtually embrace all the transactions of the week, the operations on Saturday being now merely nominal, and also the returns of the Banks of England and of France, the report of the produce of Manchester markets, the cotton statement from Liverpool, &c., and, indeed, its complete history from its commencement to its close, leaving the mercantile community with the opportunity of a quiet Saturday, which, under the present arrangement, is frequently rendered impossible:—

"TO THE RIGHT HONOURABLE THE LORD STANLEY OF ALDERLEY, HER MAJESTY'S POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

"71, Old Broad-street, London, Jan. 20.

"My Lord,—I have been requested to place in your lordship's hands the accompanying memorial from the principal merchants and bankers of this city engaged in the trade with the East, in which your lordship's attention is drawn to the loss of time and general inconvenience attending the despatch of the mails on fixed days of the month, but varying days of the week; and a suggestion is made that instead thereof, for reasons which are strongly felt, the mail *via* Marseilles shall be despatched on the evening of Friday in every week.

"I venture to express the hope that the unanimity of opinion upon the subject in question, indicated by the number and character of the signatures attached to the memorial, will secure your lordship's co-operation in carrying the proposed change into effect.—I have the honour to be, your lordship's obedient servant, "R. W. CRAWFORD."

"TO HER MAJESTY'S POSTMASTER-GENERAL, POST-OFFICE, LONDON.

"London, January 11, 1865.

"My Lord,—We, the undersigned, merchants, bankers, and others, engaged in commercial and monetary transactions with the East, wish to bring under your lordship's notice the inconvenience attending the present system of despatching the East India, China, and Australian mails, and to submit for your consideration a proposal for changing the times of their departure.

"The East India mails, *via* Marseilles, are now despatched on the 3rd, 10th, 18th, and 26th of each month. This arrangement causes the mail day to fall on a constantly changing day of the week, and when that day is a Sunday the mail is postponed until the following Monday, thus causing a loss of not less than three days, because the business transacted on Saturday and Monday is of a very restricted character, and the really important intelligence to be transmitted is that of the preceding Friday. This loss happens practically in the case of nearly one half of the mails despatched in the course of the year.

"It is suggested that a weekly mail, to be fixed on one convenient day, will be far more suitable to the habits and arrangements of men of business, especially those who have fixed weekly engagements, and for the regular and methodical transmission of mercantile correspondence.

"The despatch of the American mails by the Cunard steamers is an instance in point.

"If the Indian mails were invariably despatched on Friday evening, the letters they carry would contain the Bank of England weekly account and all the financial and market intelligence of the week up to the last moment; no transaction of importance being effected on Saturdays, Friday appears to be in every way the best day for selection.

"The proposed arrangement will involve the despatch yearly of four additional mails to India, two to China, and one to Australia, and a like additional number from each of these places. Your memorialists have no doubt but that the countries named will be very grateful for the additional postal communication with England which they would thus enjoy.

"We have the honour to be, "Your Lordship's obedient, humble servants, "Crawford, Colvin, and Co.; Forbes, Forbes, and Co.; Finlay, Hodgson, and Co.; Matheson and Co.; Baring Brothers and Co.; N. M. Rothschild and Sons; Fruhling and Goschen; Dent, Palmer, and Co.; Arbuthnot, Latham, and Co.; Gregson and Co.; Daniell and Co.; Finlay, Campbell, and Co.; Scott, Bell, and Co.; Gledstanes and Co.; Alexander Fletcher and Co.; R. and J. Henderson; Richardson, Findlay, and Co.; for the Borneo Company (Limited), John Harvey, managing director; Heuckell, Du Buisson, and Co.; Smith, Flem-

ing, and Co.; Rimington, Cartwright, and Co.; Morris, Prevost, and Co.; Schuster, Son, and Co.; C. Devaux and Co.; Frith, Sands, and Co.; T. A. Gibb and Co.; Martin, Robertson, and Co.; Grey and Coles; John Campbell and Co.; Alexander, Crowe, and Co.; John Ranking and Co.; Cotesworth and Powell; Coles, Brown, and Co.; Somes, Mullens, and Co.; Small and Co.; S. D. Sassoon and Co.; Kelson, Tritton, and Co.; Robert Benson and Co.; Reynolds, Mann, and Co.; Lenox, Nephew, and Co.; Coupland Brothers; Thorne and Co.; Bowring, Allison, and Co.; Robert Smith and Co.; Duff, Cadell, and Co.; Gillespie, Churchill, and Co.; Denny, Bailey, and Co.; Gladstone, Ewart, and Co.; H. D. and James Blyth, Greene, and Co.; T. and W. Smith; F. Green and Co.; Fearon and Co.; James Barber and Co.; Smith, Elder, and Co.; W. H. Smith, Barry, and Co.; Hickie, Borman, and Co.; L. Reiss, Brothers, and Co.; Oriental Bank Corporation, P. Campbell, *pro* chief manager; for the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London, and China, D. T. Robertson; for the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, G. U. Adam, manager; for the Agra and Masterman's Bank (Limited), M. Balfour, general manager; for the Commercial Bank Corporation of India and the East, R. Angus, chief manager; for the Central Bank of Western India, Robert Davidson, agent; for the Bank of Hindostan, China, and Japan (Limited), J. Onseley, general manager; for the Land Mortgage Bank of India, W. L. Fitzwilliam, director; for the Asiatic Banking Corporation, F. W. Laurence, acting manager; the Assam Company, per procurator W. H. Wimshurst; Byramjee Cama and Son; D. D. Cama and Co.; Forman, Limjee, and Co.; Bomanjee Framjee Cama and Co.; S. P. Framjee and Co.; Casumbhoy Nathabhoy, Sons, and Co.; A. Habibhoy, Sons, and Co.; Dadabhoy, Naoraji, and Co.; Cowasjee, Goldie, and Co.; Dhurramsey Poonjabhoy; Mody and Co.; Bhimsey Sewjee and Co.; per procurator Burzorjee, Sons, and Co., C. Burzorjee.—*Times*.

WOOLWICH ACADEMY.

The following is the official list of the names of the successful candidates at the examination recently held at Chelsea Hospital for admission to the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich:—
24th Jan., 1865.

Ord.	Index No.	Names and Places of Education.	Marks.
1.	96	De Wolski, F. R.—High School, Glasgow; Mr. R. B. de Burgh, Dublin ...	5,233
2.	144	Thurburn, J. H.—Clapham Grammar School ...	5,008
3.	129	Hunter, H. St. J. A.—Privately, and Rev. C. W. Benson's, Dublin ...	4,899
4.	48	Barklie, R. M.—Mr. Allfree, Tunbridge Wells; Trinity College, Dublin ...	4,791
5.	34	Gregson, M. H.—Grammar School, Lancaster; Rev. W. H. Pritchett, Old Charlton ...	4,781
6.	124	Denison, H.—Rev. F. Allfree, Tunbridge Wells; Rugby; Rev. R. Fowler's, Tunbridge Wells ...	4,666
7.	56	Crofton, H.—Mr. R. B. de Burgh, Dublin ...	4,606
8.	40	Smith, W. W. M.—Rev. J. Penney, Milton Abbas School, and Marlborough College ...	4,586
9.	108	Abbott, L. C.—Cheltenham College ...	4,525
10.	57	Levet, E. L.—Cheltenham College ...	4,502
11.	79	Bigg, F.—Winchester College; Mr. J. Taylor, Woolwich; Mr. Northcott; and Rev. G. Frost, 28, Kensington-square ...	4,497
12.	62	Johnstone, W. H.—Rev. W. H. Johnstone, Bromsgrove-house, Croydon ...	4,445
13.	142	Evans, E. B.—Uppingham School and Wimbledon School ...	4,427
14.	117	Fletcher, M. A. A. D. W. H.—Edinburgh Academy; and Mr. A. D. Sprange, 12, Prince's-square, Bayswater ...	4,396
15.	131	Knox, W. G.—Marylebone and All Saints' Grammar School ...	4,374
16.	73	Stevens, G. M.—Dr. Godley's, Henley-on-Thames; Dr. Bridgman's, Woolwich-common ...	4,322

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17.	33	Hay, E. O.—Privately; Rugby and Clifton College ...	4,277
18.	123	Kensington, C. H. M.—Rev. R. H. Cooke, Cheltenham, and privately ...	4,271
19.	30	Morris, W. G.—Cheltenham College; Mr. Fleming's, Tonbridge Castle ...	4,224
20.	145	Barron, H.—Rev. W. Foster, Fareham; Rev. R. Fowler, Tunbridge Wells ...	4,198
21.	42	Eardley-Wilmot, F. H.—Cheltenham College; Mr. T. Howley, 31, Marlborough-hill-gardens, St. John's-wood ...	4,177
22.	118	Settle, H. H.—Rev. G. M. A. Littla, Lewis; Cheltenham College ...	4,143
23.	39	Blandy, W. P.—Victoria College, Jersey; Rev. W. H. Pritchett, Old Charlton ...	4,064
24.	72	Ward, F.—Dr. Newman's, Edgbaston; Rev. E. A. Claydon, Lee ...	3,968
25.	25	Ditmas, F. R.—City of London School; King's College; Rev. W. H. Johnstone, Croydon ...	3,963
26.	5	James, W. H.—Rev. Dr. Hughes, Castlebar Court, Ealing; Rev. W. H. Pritchett, Old Charlton ...	3,951
27.	44	Yorke, F. A.—Rev. A. Bishop, Winchester; Mr. C. R. Rippling, Woolwich ...	3,919
28.	109	Baldock, W. S.—Winchester; Rev. W. Pritchett, Old Charlton ...	3,886
29.	63	North, R. C. E.—Victoria College, Jersey; Rev. F. W. Waldron's, Woolwich-common ...	3,883
30.	17	Stephenson, K.—Grammar School, Clapham ...	3,868
31.	64	Hellard, H. B.—Dr. G. Smith, Rottingdean; Grammar School, Clapham ...	3,854
32.	7	Buckle, E. Eton.—King's College, London; Mr. Sprange's, Bayswater ...	3,852

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 21. Coronet, Bombay.—22. Queen of Ava, Madras.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 20. Lotus, Kurrachee.—21. Bride of the Seas, Mauritius.—22. Anne Size, Galle.—23. Channarel, Madras.

PASSAGES ENGAGED.

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DATES OF ADVICES.

Bengal	Jan. 6	Burmah (Rangoon)	Dec. 26
Madras	" 6	Bombay	Jan. 13
Agra	" 7	Ceylon	" 1
China (Hong Kong)	Dec. 15.		

SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

By the arrival of the mail *via* Marseilles we are placed in possession of intelligence from Calcutta to the 6th of January, and from Bombay to the 12th of that month. The Bhootan expedition has terminated in the occupation of the Dooars, after encountering a resistance that may be characterised as contemptible. At the entrance of the Bala Pass the Bhootiahs opened a running fire upon the Ghoorkas who were in advance, and wounded two of them, but were unable to make any stand against the Armstrong guns that had been hastily brought up to the front. The fort of Dewangiri was captured with equal facility by a detachment of police under Captain MacDonald. And on the last day of December Brigadier Dunsford's column stormed a strongly stockaded position at Chamoorchee, with the loss of two sepoy killed and fifteen wounded. The bodies of thirteen Bhootiahs were found, and one elephant was captured. With this feat of arms the war has been brought to a speedy and successful termination, as the enemy will hardly attempt to recover the territory now wrested from them. It is stated, indeed, that the Dhurm Raj of Bhootan has turned aside his wrath from

the English Government upon a weaker foe, and has declared war against "the Sikkim man Cheboo Lama," for introducing into Bhootan "a band of Feringees, in spite of frequent warnings not to do so." The Governor-general is also requested "not to listen to Cheboo or Eden, as both are dishonest." The inhabitants of the annexed Dooars are represented as quite reconciled to their new masters, and the country is described as naturally fertile, though at present much covered with jungle. The climate of Dhalimkote is spoken of as being healthy and temperate; turnips, radishes, and onions of excellent quality growing there in abundance. It is possible, therefore, that this hill fort may be selected as an advanced post and sanitarium, answering the double purpose of checking the incursions of our troublesome neighbours, and of restoring the health of the European soldiery stationed in Lower Bengal.

If implicit reliance can be placed in the statements of the *Englishman* newspaper, a civil war is imminent in Nepal. It would be matter for regret if the Maharajah Jung Bahadoor should fail to preserve his hold on the Government of that country, but it may safely be predicted that he will not fall without a struggle. The Maharajah, apparently occupied with affairs of greater importance at home, has withdrawn his complaints of the aggressive encroachments of British subjects in the Terai frontier of Goruckpore.

Another Wahabee conspiracy is said to have been discovered at Purnea. The report, even if true, is worthy of as little thought as the rumour of fresh disturbances on the part of the Waghurs in the Presidency of Bombay. The unruffled contentment and tranquillity of a hundred and fifty millions of human beings, whether Asiatics or Europeans, is a phenomenon not likely to occur until the return of the golden age.

The Ameer of Cabul is seemingly a prince who likes to have his hands fully occupied. Not satisfied with alienating the good will of his own subjects by his vile treachery towards his own brother, or with having created unfriendly relations with his other neighbours, the Ameer is now trying to pick up a quarrel with the British Government. His ground of complaint is the refusal to supply him with muskets, following upon the asylum afforded to Azim Khan. The time may not, however, be far distant when he himself may be glad to find shelter and protection beneath the

ægis of the Government whose neutrality is at present so displeasing in his eyes.

Changes and promotions appear to be the order of the day. Sir Hugh Rose had reached Lucknow on his way to Calcutta, where his Excellency will take ship for England. Sir William Mansfield succeeds to the chief command of her Majesty's forces in India, and is himself succeeded at Bombay by Sir Robert Napier, whose seat in the Governor-general's council will be filled by Colonel Durand. This last appointment creates a vacancy in the post of Foreign Secretary, which will probably be supplied by Mr. R. Temple, at present Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces. Then, the retirement of Sir Robert Montgomery from the Lieutenant Governorship of the Punjab has led to the selection of Mr. Donald MacLeod, C.B., for that high and honourable office. And finally, Sir Hope Grant makes an opening for a new Commander-in-Chief in the Madras Presidency, by returning to England to assume the Quartermaster-Generalship of the British Army. By way of postscript, it may be mentioned that Mr. Beadon has so far benefited by his cruise at sea as to have given up his intention of taking a trip to Europe. The Hon. Mr. Grey, who is regarded as his successor, has likewise decided upon remaining at his post. The appointment of Mr. W. N. Massey as Finance Minister is noticed elsewhere.

Military men will rejoice to learn that the half-batta system has at length been abolished, and that full batta will once more be given, as in the days prior to the unpopular retrenchments inaugurated by Lord William Bentinck. They have also reason to be gratified by the Viceroy's recent decision that the posts of Financial and Judicial Commissioner in the Punjab may be held indiscriminately by members of either branch of the public service. We fear, however, that the Medical Service will not be equally satisfied with a correction that has been made in the Royal Warrant issued on the 20th June of last year. It is not true, indeed, as stated in certain papers, that that warrant has been withdrawn and cancelled, but an alteration has been made which will operate injuriously, if not unjustly, in the case of those medical officers who retired in India on the faith of that despatch. It will be remembered that retiring allowances were promised in accordance with the provisions of the Royal Warrant of Oct. 1st, 1858, which in some grades would have amounted to thirty per cent. higher than the allowances named in the Warrant of Jan. 13th, 1860.

But it is now ruled that it is the latter warrant which should have been quoted, and it is said that the higher standard will not be allowed to those officers who were induced by this official blunder to retire from the service before the error was known. Such a proceeding, however, would be so extremely ungenerous, and so little in harmony with the otherwise liberal treatment of the medical service sanctioned by H.M.'s Secretary of State, that we prefer for the moment to withhold our belief in the correctness of the report.

According to Solomon, whose knowledge of natural history is stated to have been very considerable, the daughters of the horseleech are in the habit of crying "Give! Give!" To those insatiable reptiles a brother has now been born, and an addition has been made to the four things that never say "It is enough." Prince Gholam Mahomed intends—at least, so we are assured by the *Hurkaru*—to apply to the Secretary of State for a personal allowance, as the half-million grant was for the benefit of the family at large, and not for its head. That such an application, if ever made, will be treated otherwise than as a monstrous impertinence, cannot for an instant be doubted.

Two meagre paragraphs in the Queen's Speech at the opening of Parliament yesterday afternoon are devoted to the British dominions in the East. They refer to the "little war" in the North-East frontier and to the cyclones at Calcutta and Masulipatam. It would have been impossible to have said less, or to have avoided any particular point with greater delicacy. It is something, however, that India has not been altogether forgotten, and it is well to be thankful for small mercies in the absence of greater. And this is what her Majesty's Ministers wish the British people to know about India:—

"Her Majesty rejoices at the general tranquillity of her Indian dominions, but her Majesty regrets that long-continued outrages on the persons and property of subjects of her Majesty, and for which no redress could be had, have rendered it necessary to employ a force to obtain satisfaction for the past, and security for the future.

"Her Majesty deeply laments the calamity which has recently occasioned great loss of life and property at Calcutta and at other places in India. Prompt assistance was rendered by the officers of the Government, and generous contributions have been made in various parts of India to relieve the sufferings which have thus been occasioned."

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

H.M.'s Forces.—Maj. W. Pownall, H.M.'s 48th Regt., at Darjeeling, Dec. 28. Col. Crawford, H.M.'s 95th Regt., at Umballa.

BENGAL.—Dr. Hugh Falconer, late Superint. of the Botanic Gardens at Saharanpore, in London, on the 31st ult. Maj. gen. R. A. Master, C.B., late of the Bengal L.C., at Bilbrook-house, Cheltenham, aged 55, Jan. 27. Lieut. gen. R. Powney, late of the Bengal Art., aged 79, Dec. 23. E. W. W. Raleigh, Esq., late Surg. Bengal Army, at 3, Suffolk-pl. ce, Pall-mall, aged 63, Jan. 22. Capt. W. S. Webb, late Bengal Army, at 23, Clarendon-gardens, Maida-hill, aged 51, Feb. 4.

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BENGAL.

THE GANGES CANAL.

The necessity of constructing permanent head works for the Ganges Canal has long been insisted on by the North-West Government. At the close of 1862 it submitted to the Supreme Government a plan for the necessary operations, but the Governor-General at that time "was of opinion that the question was not in a state to admit of final orders being passed on it." A long correspondence has now been published on the subject, and it is quite evident from it that the proposed works are absolutely necessary to the success of the undertaking. The superintendent general of irrigation was Colonel Turnbull. He had repeated occasion to report serious accidents. In February, 1863, he wrote a letter concerning the giving way of a bund at the Mymoodpoor Falls of the Ganges Canal. This accident was estimated to entail a cost for repairs of upwards of forty thousand rupees. In July of the same year Colonel Turnbull had to communicate the news of another serious accident at the Jowlee Falls. A portion of the flooring of one of the chambers, about fifty feet long, was carried away, and the whole fall was placed in a dangerous state. The next stage in the series of events was a recommendation from the North-West Government that a lakh of rupees should be set aside for a dam across the Hurdwar channel at the head of the canal, and half a lakh for the falls below Roorkee. This proposal was deferred for future consideration, and in the meantime orders were given that fresh surveys should be made. The really essential works are set forth distinctly in a memorandum which Col. Strachey and other officers drew up. It says:—"It is admitted by everyone that the Ganges Canal was originally designed with too strong a slope for its bed. The primary result of this error is the erosion of the earthen channel. From this follow two secondary results. First, the formation of rapids on the masonry works which occur along the canal, by which the foundations are undermined. Second, a direct dangerous action takes place on the masonry of the falls, at which the level of the tail water has been in many cases very greatly depressed by the erosion of the earthen channel; and a condition of things is brought about which these works were not designed to meet, and which, in fact, must eventually almost certainly destroy them if some complete restoration of the original water levels is not accomplished."

Except to the professional man, it would be tedious to detail the improvements which were thought by the engineers to be indispensable. All that has been decided on up to the present time is that preliminary investigations should be made. The Governor-General has stated his opinion that nothing should be attempted at the head works above Hurdwar, until the main canal is placed in proper order. The expense involved is immense, and it is even doubted whether it would not be cheaper in the end to cut a new channel altogether than to patch up the present canal. The new channel could be made to pass large towns, and surveys for it have actually been taken and estimates prepared. The new canal is estimated to cost forty-seven lakhs. To repair the old one would require about thirty-nine lakhs. Up to the 30th April, 1863, the total expenditure on the canal and its branches amounted to Rs. 2,03,66,000.—*Friend of India*, Dec. 29.

"AUT CÆSAR AUT NULLUS."

An article appears in the *Bombay "Saturday" Review* of December 17th headed "The Army," the object of which is to show that the Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Army has not the power which he ought to have,

and that India ought neither to be governed by a military viceroy, nor that there should be a greater amount of the military element existent in the Indian Council.

Now we have no hesitation in saying that such an opinion is diametrically opposed to the views of all the most experienced men who have given their attention to the subject. The writer does not advance any one single argument in favour of his extravagant proposition, and his crude suggestions and hypotheses prove that he has studied the page of Indian history to very little purpose. He commences his "theme" by the strange assertion that "whether Sir Charles Napier did or did not foresee the mutiny of 1857, few persons are left with any doubt that fuller powers entrusted to him would have made such a rising as that of 1857 very unlikely."

We must confess ourselves to be amongst these few, for we have very strong doubts on the subject; and remembering the memorable "passage of arms" between Sir Charles Napier and Lord Dalhousie, in which it is now universally admitted that the former showed neither command of temper nor judgment, we consider it fortunate that fuller powers were not entrusted to him. If they had been, it is not unlikely that the conqueror of Scinde would have put the Governor-General under "close arrest," or possibly "in irons," and made himself Dictator.

So completely blinded by passion and personal prejudice was the Commander-in-Chief on that occasion, that we have little hesitation in saying that had his powers been greater he would have precipitated instead of retarded the events of 1857, by ordering some *coup d'état* to be carried out, of which the degradation of political and civil officers would have been the very mildest act in the programme. It was fortunate for India that Lord Dalhousie was Governor-General.

Again, let us pass over a few years, and come to 1858. Was not the wisdom of having the supreme power invested in a civilian instead of a military officer demonstrated beyond a doubt in the events that succeeded the mutiny, when the fierce passions of the conquering army gained the mastery over both justice and humanity, and when, if it had not been for the strong will and cool judgment of Lord Canning, we should have drifted into a war of extermination between the two races, and all hopes of settling the country must have passed away? Again, we say, it was fortunate for India that she had a non-military Viceroy, who had both the power and determination to be supreme.

Let us take one more instance. What would have been the result at this time last year if the Commander-in-Chief, not satisfied with putting troops of all arms into motion throughout the entire Presidency of Bengal, and ordering regiment after regiment to be warned for immediate service, had been permitted to carry out his wish of taking the field in person?

Is there any sane person who does not admit that the whole of the mountain tribes would have risen against us, and that we should have found ourselves embroiled not only with the Akond of Swat, but probably with the Ameer of Cabul? We repeat emphatically that it was the want of discretion on the part of the chief military authority, and his interference with the plan laid down by the local Government, which caused the panic in the country, and sent the Five per Cents. down below par. All thinking men, and all who held any stake in the empire, had cause to be thankful that, instead of having his powers increased, they were checked by the veto of a higher power forbidding him to proceed further.

We might multiply instances of the same kind, by going through the whole muster roll of Commanders-in-Chief in India during the present century, from Lord Lake down to Lord Gough and Sir William Gomm, and then

take the votes of every Englishman, whether in this country or at home, as to the advantage of increasing their powers either in the Council Chamber or the field.

But we are inclined, now that the subject is mooted at Bombay, to go still further, and to affirm that it would be wise to lessen rather than increase the authority and functions of the chief military commander in India. We would confine his duties—as they are in England—solely to the army. These are quite sufficient to occupy his time fully, while his views on any military question would be submitted through the member of council who represents the Minister of War at home.

The anomaly which at present exists, of a general holding the high military office he does, discussing in council the gold currency question, or arguing about grand juries and remarriages of converts, is ludicrous enough; but this is nothing to the palpable irregularity of a Commander-in-Chief voting on matters which specially affect himself or those under him; at one time urging a reckless expenditure of public money in abandoning military stations or building palatial barracks; at another, introducing the personalities of a Crawley court-martial or a commissariat commission, on which he is known to have strong and decided views that he will not give up.

We do not wish to be misunderstood in this matter. It is not the individual but the system, not the man but the training that he has had, which we object to in the Council Chamber. Brought up in a different school, with totally different ideas and feeling, from either the Viceroy or his colleagues—with no knowledge of finance, and with a supreme contempt for economy—with a natural disposition inseparable from his profession to look at every question solely from a military point of view, instead of considering it in its political bearings, can we wonder if it is found that his presence is an incubus and not a help, and that time is wasted and temper tried in attempting to reconcile the opinions of men who are both by training and office in directly opposite grooves?

To those who will take the trouble to consider the matter thoroughly and impartially it will be self-evident that the military element is already too preponderating in the Indian Council to allow of the machinery working easily and without friction. Instead of standing alone like the financial or legal member, the Commander-in-Chief has the whole army at his back, the entire patronage of which is in his hands. In bringing forward any question he can have the assistance of a highly-paid staff of officers in the Adjutant-general's, Quartermaster's, and Judge Advocate's Departments. These men all look to him for promotion and appointments; they aid to his prestige, and his cause is theirs; he can recommend them for "honours," and a diminution or increase of his powers is shared in equally by themselves. In England he has the support of the War Office, and he corresponds direct with the Horse Guards. In Parliament, also, from identity of interests, he has a strong party ready to uphold him. Our space will not permit us to do more than notice one or two more points referred to in the article before us. The attempt to compare the Government of this country with that of France is singularly infelicitous, and totally repugnant to our ideas. India is not Algeria, and we have no desire to see a Pellissier at the helm instead of a Lawrence, or our civil rights and liberties superseded by martial law. We believe that we have nothing to learn from France on the subject of managing our colonies.

Nor does the writer's reference to the fact that in many continental countries the quasi-military policy of the Government "is secured by the king and princes of the blood, being soldiers by education if not by actual experience," help him at all to establish his case.

"The playing at soldiers," or the Field Marshal's baton held in the cradle conjointly with the bells and coral, prove but of little service when an angry mob are tearing up the pavement to form barricades, and the hoarse cry of "aux armes" resounds through the streets. If it had been so we should not have witnessed in 1848 the ignominious spectacle of kings and princes hurrying away from their palaces at dead of night, with false passports and borrowed garments, and "a new constitution" bawled out once a week by the newsboys in the streets.

But failing in his wish to make the Commander-in-Chief in India supreme, by adding to his already excessive powers, the Bombay writer would content himself with a Military Viceroy. We know what men thought in this country of Lord Hardinge exposing his life to the murderous fire of the Sikh artillery on the field at Ferozeshah, when he destroyed his despatches, and ordered his son and the prince Waldemar off the ground. But, passing over that instance of chivalrous rashness on the part of the last Military Viceroy India has seen, we would point out as a grave difficulty in such an appointment, the undue influence of the Horse Guards over an officer who has, throughout his service, been dependent on them for his advancement, and who may still have to look to them for a supreme military command. The Government at home would find a serious difficulty in carrying out with rapidity or certainty any measures they felt to be necessary in the way of military reductions or reforms, for at every step they would have to enlist on their side the good will and understanding of a great military organisation, both at home and in this country. The people of England would soon see the mistake Government had made, for with such a power as India now-a-days is, the commander-in-chief at home, having it at his back, would be doubly strong, and this strength in the hands of a single individual might prove injurious to the best interests, as well as to the peace and prosperity, of Great Britain.—*Friend of India*, Dec. 29.

MISCELLANEOUS.

CASH BALANCES.—The following is a statement of cash balances in the Government treasuries at the close of the month of October last, contrasted with that of previous years:—

According to the present limits of the several Governments.	1862. Oct.	1863. Oct.	1864. Oct.
Govt. of India	Co's Rs. 5,70,22,469	Co's Rs. 5,47,24,892	Co's Rs. 1,64,05,006
" Bengal	1,87,30,927	2,49,67,147	1,58,95,878
" N.W. Provinces	2,45,98,700	2,26,20,664	1,45,74,415
" Punjab	86,04,561	89,10,073	1,11,06,281
" Bombay	2,39,22,469	1,81,57,679	1,76,17,691
" Central Provs.	48,71,936	39,50,182	36,33,763
" Decan	12,39,844	22,67,559	16,11,541
" Madras	2,14,08,856	2,83,96,670	1,86,31,750
Total	15,91,99,372	13,19,94,896	9,91,09,665

The effect of the reduced price obtained for opium is here painfully seen. But any sum above eight millions sterling is a sufficiently large balance.

WAJID ALLY SHAH, ex-King of Oude, is now about to make another move. It appears that his father or grandfather, we are not sure which, advanced to the British Government a large sum of money, which was repaid in the shape of lands in Goruckpore. His Majesty now requests that the money then lent may be restored to him, as the lands in question have been taken back by the Government. It will also be remembered that for some two years from the date of his deposition he refused to touch a shilling of the pension which had been set aside for him, but as his extravagance is doubtless bringing its usual consequences, he has sent in an application for the payment of the pension for those years. He sends an agent to England, we hear, in order to support his suit.—*Englishman*.

THE HETAMPORE MINOR.—The case of the Hetampore minor has made its appearance in the High Court. The minor, it will be remembered, is heir to a very considerable estate in the district of Beerbhoom, and his custody was demanded by the Court of Wards. His grandmother refused to give the lad up, and the judge of the district empowered the collector to seize the boy. The grandmother appealed against this decision, on the grounds that the Civil Court had no power to aid the collector in the matter, and that its summary jurisdiction could not be evoked nor granted in such a case. The High Court has decided that such power did exist, and while blaming the grandmother for "her unseemly and discreditable course," in obstructing the legal action of the authorities, hopes that "the spirit of recusancy has been manifested for the last time."

RAILWAY PROGRESS.—The *Delhi Gazette* corrects the contradictory statements which have appeared here and there with reference to the opening of the railway from Allahabad to Bombay. The following information on the point is authentic:—The branch of the E.I.R. from Allahabad to Jubbulpore will, it is believed, be completed in 1867. The line from Bombay to Nagpore will, it is stated, be ready before that year. In that case travellers from the N.W.P. will be able to proceed to Jubbulpore by rail, thence to Nagpore by horse-draw, and from Nagpore to Bombay by rail again. The main line of the G.I.P.R. from Bhosawal to Jubbulpore via Hurda, Husungabad, and Nursingpore is progressing slowly. It is impossible to say when it will be ready. The year 1870 has been mentioned as the probable time.

INDIGO RIOTERS.—In our issue of the 13th of October we (*Friend of India*) mentioned a case in which Mohesh Chunder Chatterjee, a Nuddea zemindar, and his brother Madhub Chatterjee, were found guilty by the assistant-magistrate of Kooshtea of aiding and abetting a riot, in which Mr. Meares, an indigo planter, and some of his friends were attacked. The Baboos were sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment, and to a fine of five hundred rupees each. They appealed against this sentence, and although they enjoyed the benefit of Mr. Cochrane's advocacy, the Sessions judge of Kishnagar has upheld the judgment of the lower Court. Thus, these "most zealous and undaunted friends in the cause of ryot emancipation from indigo serfdom," as the *Hindoo Patriot* has it, have met with their deserts.

THE CALCUTTA MENAGERIE.—A lady in Calcutta, residing in the classic region of Raneemooly Gully, lives "partly on her own money, and partly by exhibiting strange animals." An advertisement in the papers called upon the public to see "an animal like a human being. Terms moderate. Go upstairs." Upstairs accordingly went a ship-captain, and to his great surprise was introduced to a monkey, which animal, although bearing a painful resemblance to a human being, can hardly be termed "strange." The captain feeling himself imposed upon, broke a few articles lying about to relieve his mind, and finally struck the old lady, having first seized her by the hair. The magistrate fined him thirty-two rupees. The captain would have done better by keeping his own counsel, and recommending the "strange" animal to his friends.

THE CROPS ABOUT DELHI.—The accounts of the crops in the districts about Delhi are far from satisfactory. We are told that there is no cultivation in places, beyond the influence of artificial irrigation; even the Nujafgurh Jheel is dried up; and lakes of some extent, full of water at the corresponding period last year, are now as dry as a Punjab report! Cotton alone has saved the cultivators from utter ruin, but much distress is in store for the poor.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF left Meerut for Delhi on December 26. Sir Hugh Rose was accompanied by Major-general Wheler, C.B. Prior to his departure the Commander-in-Chief, the *Mofussilite* tells us, gave a fete to the children of the troops quartered at the station. It took place on the cricket ground, where a match was played between the boys of the Hussars and those of the Rifles. To this succeeded a variety of games and a capital dinner. On the same occasion Sir Hugh distributed prizes to the troops for gardening. Sir Hugh Rose is expected in Calcutta in the middle of January.

A BENGAL CREDIT MOBILIER has been projected with a capital of Rs. 60,00,000, in 15,000 shares of Rs. 400 each. The object of the new scheme is to apply the advantages of associated capital and interest to the development of joint-stock industrial enterprises, and the directors in Calcutta and the proprietors in Bombay are confident that it will prove eminently successful. It is proposed to establish the new company in connection with the Financial Association of India and China, limited, and while freedom of action is secured to each, the two companies will mutually do all in their power to advance each other's interest. Messrs. Schiller, Knowles, and D. Mackay, form the Calcutta board. We trust the mania which is now, with some good, threatening Bombay with commercial ruin, is not about to take too fast a hold of Bengal.

HOCKEY ON HORSEBACK.—The Munipoories, who, under the leadership of Captain Sherer, so completely discomfited the Calcutta Hockey Club last year, have again made their appearance. This time they are under the leadership of Mr. Deveria, and on Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, an exciting match came off between the strangers and the club. The result was looked forward to with much interest, as the club has very much improved in its play since last year. A large number of spectators was on the ground. The first game was won by the club, but in the end the Munipoories were declared victorious by a single game. The return match has yet to be played.

CONSULAR CONDOLENCE.—The King of Siam's Consul at Rangoon, a Mr. E. Fowle, writes his Majesty a curious letter acknowledging the receipt of two autograph letters of the King, and two photographic likenesses addressed to the Commissioner of British Burmah, and to Colonel Fyche, Commissioner of Tenasserim. Besides acknowledging them, he takes the opportunity of sympathising with his Majesty on the death of his "beautiful white female elephant," a misfortune which they had not as yet experienced in Burmah. They had, however, a very heavy shock of an earthquake recently in that province, which may be supposed to counterbalance the public calamity caused by the death of the elephant in Siam. On the whole the letter is a remarkable production, coming from an educated Englishman.

CALCUTTA UNIVERSITY.—The results of the entrance examination of the Calcutta University just given in are these. There was the large number of 1,397 candidates, of whom 142 passed in the 1st division, and 554 in the 2nd. Rather more than one-half were successful, 17 having been absent. There were 321 candidates in the first arts examination, of whom 16 passed in the 1st division, and 135 in the 2nd, while 7 were absent. Again almost exactly one-half passed. The result of the examination of the Ceylon candidates is not, however, included. The Bachelor of Arts and of laws examinations began on Monday. There are 82 candidates for the degree of B.A., 17 for that of B.L., and 7 for the inferior diploma of Licentiate of Laws.

TREASURY AMALGAMATION.—The long talked-of amalgamation of the Loan Branch of the General Treasury with the Bank of Bengal will shortly take place.

MUSSOORIE.—The *Hills* continues to put forward the claims of Mussoorie to public notice, and believes that in a few years it will become the most frequented sanitarium in the Himalayas. Its accessibility is great, and the advantages of its natural position, overlooking as it does the lovely valley of the Dhoon, are not the least of its recommendations. So long as Government remains at Simla living there will be necessarily expensive, but in Mussoorie, the establishment of new hotels, in which the prices are moderate, places a hill residence within the reach of small incomes.

LIEUTENANT BIRCH, of the Small Cause Court, at Unirsutur, has got into hot water. He was deputed by the Government of the Punjab to the foot of the Cashmere Hills to investigate the causes of the death of certain travellers, who appear to have come to an untimely end by fraud or violence. Whilst engaged on this duty he considered it necessary, for reasons best known to himself, to stop the luggage of a Captain F. W. Russell, of the late 3rd Cavalry, at Rawul Pindee, to the great annoyance of that officer. Lieutenant Birch has been called upon for an explanation. —*Hurkaru*, Jan. 4.

TUG-STEAM PASSENGERS.—The captain of the *Lady Elgin*, tug steamer, brought an action against Mr. Folkard for Rs. 96, the amount of that gentleman's passage and mess money during a trip to the Sandheads and back to Calcutta. The trip lasted over six days, and Mr. Folkard contended that Rs. 8 a day was ample remuneration, as he had been obliged to furnish his own wines while on board. The judge of the Small Cause Court thought so too, and a verdict was given for the defendant. Sixteen rupees a day seems a monstrous charge for a river steamer.

MR. LACKERSTEEN, a merchant residing in Calcutta, brought an action in the High Court against Tarrucknauth Poramanick, for erecting close to his premises on the Strand-road a building which deprived him of his "ancient" light, and prevented the free access of air. Damages were laid at Rs. 30,000, and it was estimated that the house, in consequence of the new erection, had deteriorated at least one-fourth in value. Mr. Justice Levinge, in an elaborate judgment, awarded Mr. Lackersteens Rs. 17,300, with costs.

MOZUFFERPORE AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.—There is to be an agricultural show at Mozufferpore on the 17th of January and following days. The Government has contributed three thousand rupees towards the expenses, and more than three times that amount will be raised by public subscription. The last day of the show will be distinguished by an exhibition of flowers, fruits, and vegetables, for which prizes will be awarded.

CONSECRATION OF BURIAL GROUND AT LUCKNOW.—On the 26th Dec. the Bishop of Calcutta consecrated a portion of the Residency Churchyard at Lucknow. His Lordship's address was, we read in the *Outh Gazette*, impressive and affecting. He spoke of the associations connected with the spot, and quoted the last words of the great Henry Lawrence to impress upon his hearers that our best endeavours in life formed only our duty.

DEATH OF MRS. VINTON.—We notice in the Rangoon papers the death of Mrs. Vinton, the widow of the late well-known American Missionary, the Reverend Justus Vinton. The deceased and her husband were distinguished by their ministrations among the Syar Karens, among whom they had established schools and founded a church.

SUICIDE.—The captain of the ship *Startled Fawn*, lying in the Hooghly at Calcutta, committed suicide on the 28th Dec. by cutting his throat. No cause is assigned for the act. The *Indian Daily News* states that he told the steward of the ship the day before that he would not be alive the following morning. The steward should have reported the strange remark.

DHALIMKOTE.—We *(Englishman)* have letters from Brigadier General Dunsford's, the Left, Column of the Bhootan field-force, dated Dhalimkote, December the 18th. Since the capture of the place the sepoys of the Native Regiments had been actively employed in cutting roads, throwing up field-works, and constructing fortifications, without any show of the old Pandey objection to the use of the spade and mattock. A few days after the capture of Dhalimkote, General Dunsford had prepared a compact force to march against another fort about three marches to the N. N. W., the commandant of which collected a considerable force within the stronghold, removed all the thatched buildings, and apparently intended to show fight. Before, however, the force going against this stronghold had got far from Dhalimkote, intelligence reached it that the Bhootan Chief, discouraged by the fall of that place, had surrendered his fort, which had been taken possession of, without resistance, by a small British party that had gone on a few days ahead, and the column returned to Dhalimkote, where the force was awaiting the completion of the arrangements for the civil administration of the country. We are sorry to hear that, if the Bhootan Court gives in and leaves the British in peaceable possessions of the annexed dooars, there is a strong probability of our still paying an annual subsidy for our new possessions, stated at rupees 25,000 a-year in the first instance, and eventually rupees 50,000 a-year, should our possession of the dooars prove profitable enough to afford such a large compensation to the rulers of Bhootan. If, however, as we hope is intended, the expenses of the expedition will have to be deducted from this annual subsidy, it will be many a year before the latter will much enrich the Court of Bhootan. It is important to know that the climate and weather at Dhalimkote are described as "delightful," and thoroughly capable of producing all fruits, vegetables, &c., which can be grown in England. At Dhalimkote the British column found turnips, radishes, and onions of the best quality and flavour; and there is no doubt that all English vegetables could, under better management, be brought to the same perfection. Since our last letter from Dhalimkote two more Artillerymen had died; one from the effects of the explosion, and the other consequent upon amputation of the leg following a gun-shot wound. Lieutenant Collins, who legs had been broken by the gunpowder explosion the day that Dhalimkote was taken, was at Julpigoree, doing well; and Lieutenants MacGregor and Loughnan, wounded on the same occasion, were also convalescent at Julpigoree. The health of the column generally was excellent, but rain was impending at date of writing, and it was feared that the damp would create sickness amongst the troops. Nothing whatever had been heard from the Court of Bhootan.

SIR R. MONTGOMERY.—As a mark of respect due to the character and services of Sir R. Montgomery the Viceroy and Governor-general has directed that all the honours and distinctions to which he is entitled as Lieutenant-governor shall be continued to him from the date of his resignation until the period of his embarkation for Europe.

THE PRESIDENCY MINTS.—During the month of November the value of bullion coined and examined at the Calcutta Mint was Rs. 53,62,149; at the Madras Mint, Rs. 2,92,445, and at the Bombay Mint, Rs. 77,97,775.

A CHRISTMAS TREAT.—On the evening of the 30th of December those of the Calcutta Free School children who had no homes to resort to during the Christmas vacations were, through the generosity of Mrs. Colonel Guthrie and the Hon. Claude Brown, entertained to tea and cakes and a Christmas tree.

THE DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL BANK have established a Branch office at Cachar.

NEPAUL.—The news from Nepaul portends a civil war, unless Maharajah Jung Bahadoor has taken his measures with great foresight. There appears to have been some intrigue afoot for placing the heir apparent on the throne, and it is with this object the Rajah has been inveigled into visiting the Terree. The Sirdars of Nepaul, however, do not all view this scheme with favour; and some resistance is preparing. The Maharajah has withdrawn his complaints of aggressions in the Terai frontier of Goruckpoor. Some other differences still require to be cleared up, and Mr. Knighton, Deputy Commissioner of Khyrabad, has been deputed to Katmandoo to investigate the questions which have arisen, in conjunction with two Goorkha commissioners appointed for the purpose.—*Englishman*.

INDIAN MUSEUMS.—The Home Government has sanctioned the expenditure in Calcutta connected with the conversion of the valuable collections of the Bengal Asiatic Society into an Imperial Museum. A skilled curator will shortly arrive from England. Thanks to the zeal of Dr. Birdwood, Bombay will soon have its Victoria Museum, and Hindostan and the Deccan will thus be worthily represented. Some reform is needed in the Madras Museum. Attention should also be given to the despatch of duplicates to the India House Museum, which, as a collection, is most disappointing to the visitor who knows the vast and varied resources and curiosities of India.

JUDGES ON CIRCUIT.—The Hon. Mr. Maine is about to introduce a Bill into the Viceregal council to provide for the judges of the High Court going on circuit. It contemplates the despatch of four judges at a time, out of the twelve, and will remove the ancient cause of complaint, anent the trouble and expense to which Government is subjected by the transport to, and prosecution of offenders at Calcutta. The Bill will contain a clause similar to that which will appear in Mr. Cust's Bill for the formation of a Chief Court in the Punjab, and which refuses to recognise a Grand Jury.

SUTTEE IN MEYWAR.—The inhuman practice of Suttee is still observed by people of the Meywar territories, among whom it has taken so deep a root that it is regarded as one of the most essential features of their religion. Col. Eden, the British Agent, has exerted himself vigorously to put a stop to the hateful practice, but has not yet succeeded to any very material extent. A case of the sort is now pending. It will be in the recollection of our readers that on the death of the Maharana of Oodeypore, the late Maharajah Suroop Sing, a slave girl ascended the funeral pyre. An investigation was instituted, but it resulted in nothing beyond the confiscation of the poor girl's jewels.

THE REV. R. ROBINSON.—This truly respected and esteemed minister of the Dacca Baptist Chapel has been forced from illness to avail himself of a furlough. He left Dacca on the 19th December for Calcutta, whence he proceeds with his family to England. He succeeded in endearing himself so completely to all here, both in his social and ministerial character, that his friends made up, by voluntary subscription, and presented him with a purse of about 800 rupees before his departure, as a token of their sincere regard for him. As the probable period of his absence from Dacca will be three years, it is hoped he will, at the end of that time, return to us with renewed health and vigor.—*Dacca News*, Dec. 31.

THE "BENGAL."—The P. and O. Company's steamer *Bengal* has been got off her perilous position, and is safely anchored at Garden Reach. She will carry the mails on the 23rd January.

PRICE OF INDIGO.—At a sale of indigo in Calcutta on the 23rd of December some samples of the dye realised two hundred and forty rupees per chest. This was the highest price obtained.

THE TRUTH ABOUT THE MAHARANEE CHUNDA KOWR.—We (*Friend of India*) continue to see in several Indian journals discussions as to the disposal of the remains of the late Rane Chunda, which must be inexpressibly painful to her son, the Maharajah Dhuleep Sing. Once for all, it should be known that his Highness entrusted the body, with a sum of Rs. 3,000, to the deceased's Sikh attendants, and it was dealt with in the usual Hindoo way on the banks of the Nerbudda. The Maharajah meanwhile remained in Bombay. He was unable as a Christian to be present at a ceremony which, in Brahminical eyes, he would have defiled. He was equally unwilling to seem to sanction a superstition which he has long since abandoned.

AN INDIAN DIANA.—Mr. Boulderson, joint magistrate of Moradabad, lately brought in the head of a very fine tiger, which had committed great havoc in the district for some time past. The animal measured nine feet three inches from tip to tip, and showed an unusual amount of pluck. His charges were very frequent, and he managed to seriously injure two elephants, on one of which was Mrs. Boulderson. This is said to have been the ninth or tenth tiger whose death this lady has witnessed, on all of which occasions she has exhibited wonderful nerve and coolness.

THE DELHI ROYAL FAMILY.—The family of Bahadoor Shah, the late ex-King of Delhi, petitioned the Viceroy not long ago for permission to return to their old home, which is doubtless associated with many delightful memories of the slaughter of infidels in 1857. The petition was referred to the authorities of the North-Western Provinces, who have begged that such applications be discouraged, and that these sprigs of royalty be allowed to remain among the Burmese.

THE LATE DR. SIMPSON.—We learn from the *Dacca News* that a movement is on foot to take measures to perpetuate the memory of the excellent and most popular civil surgeon Dacca ever had. It is intended to have either a statue or a full portrait in oil colours, to be placed in the Mitford Hospital in which he philanthropically laboured for many years of a useful life.

FREE MASONRY IN MOOLTAN.—We learn from Mooltan that the brethren of the "Mystic tie" there have opened a lodge, under the name of Lodge "Faith." "Their banner," writes our correspondent, "is a sprig of evergreen, with the motto *Toujours le meme*. The lodge has taken its warrant from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and is presided over by an old Past Master."

THE "LAGOMYS CURZONAE."—At the last meeting of the Bengal Asiatic Society, a paper by Dr. Stoliczka was read on the *Lagomys Curzonae*, several specimens of which hitherto secured in Eastern Ladak. This species does not live at a less elevation than 15,500 feet above the sea, and has been found so high as 18,672 feet, on the very confines of vegetation.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—Another fatal accident has occurred on the East Indian Railway. On the evening of the 27th December the guard of the goods train, while getting into his van at Mullarpore station, stumbled across the iron trap door on the platform and fell down on the rails. The waggons passed over him, and he was killed immediately.

PENNY WISE—POUND FOOLISH.—A wealthy native resident of Nagpore affixed an obliterated four anna stamp to a letter which he attempted to have registered at the post office. There the fraud was detected at once, and the man fined fifty rupees. This same individual would probably spend thousands of rupees in a nautch or on some ridiculous ceremony, and still think it worth while to defraud the revenue of four annas.

MR. G. C. FLETCHER, Judge of Bancoorah, West Burdwan, will, it is said, resign the Civil Service shortly.

THE BANK OF BENGAL raised their rate of discount on the 5th January 2 per cent. all round, and again 1 per cent. on the 12th. At the meeting of the directors on the 5th, a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, free of income-tax, was declared on the Bank's increased capital of nearly two millions sterling.

MR. DONALD MCLEOD, C.B.—The official Punjab seems delighted with the selection of Mr. Donald McLeod to preside over its destinies for the next five years. Kind-heartedness, absence of guile, unimpeachable integrity of purpose, and large experience, are powerful auxiliaries to success.

MR. BEADON has so far benefited by his trip to sea as to have abandoned his intention of proceeding to England, but he is still not altogether freed from the complaint which once before necessitated his proceeding home before he could entirely shake it off.

GOVERNMENT PROMISSORY NOTES.—The statement of Government Promissory Notes, enfaced for payment of interest in London, shows the total amount outstanding up to 21st December 1864 to be Rs. 9,51,14,100.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 26. Gazeepore, Owen, Mauritius; Nicoline, Ahlman, Hong Kong; str. Erymanthe, Jehenne, Galle.—29. Orissa, Templeton, Akyab; John Vanner, Moore, Natal; Hope, King, Liverpool.—30. Star of Albion, Smith, Liverpool.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per str. Erymanthe.—Mr. and Mrs. Osborne, Dr. Gage, Mrs. Wilmet, Mrs. Gilford, Mr. De Bruinne, Mrs. Wallis, Mr. Wallis, Mr. Erusthausen, Mr. Lauder, Mr. Weinbalt, Major Irwin, the Rev. F. C. Veret, Mr. Barlie, Mr. Paterson-Saunders, Mr. Guerin, Miss Le Grand, the Rev. — Walsh, Mr. W. Maull, Mr. Clerjour, Mr. Blakie, Mr. Busher, Mr. Paterson, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. Gilman, Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Mullen, Mr. McDunne, Mr. Mathews, Mr. Cagner, Mr. Friest, Mr. Andra, Inspector of S.M.M.I., Mous. Lombard, Consul-General for France.

Per str. Goleconda.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. and Mrs. Pittar and infant, Messrs. J. and R. Hill, Mr. Scaton, Mr. Sturton, Mr. Williamson, Mr. Clark, Mr. Keane, Mrs. Whelton, Mr. W. Cornell, Mr. and Mrs. W. Johnson, Mr. E. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Heard and two infants, Mr. and Mrs. Reid and two infants, Miss Nelson, Miss H. Johnson, Mrs. R. Ranken, Mr. J. J. Atkinson, Pay-aster Moore, Mrs. Hamilton and infant Mr. F. Sheridan, the Hon. C. P. Kes, Miss Adam, Mr. and Mrs. Latimer and infant, Mr. Trotter and two children the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Higgs, Lieut. C. Bonghey, Mrs. Henderson, Miss Voyle, Mr. R. Howard, Mr. D. O'Connor, Mr. W. Copinger, Mr. Fuchet, Mr. C. Wagentreiber, Mr. J. Hunter, the Rev. J. Stevenson, the Rev. M. Mallett, Mr. E. Urff, Major Maulever, Mr. Williamson, the Rev. Mr. Young, Ensigns Bayley and Boileau, Miss James, Dr. Price, Mr. Warren, Mr. B. B. Turner, Mr. Talbot, Mr. and Mrs. Banglous Mr. Seale, Mr. E. Woodroffe, Asst.-surg. Atkinson, Bolster, Cogan, Fleming, Turner, Malcolm. From MARSEILLES.—Mr. and Mrs. Egerton, Capt. and Mrs. Basevi, Mr. and Mrs. Allan, Col. McDunne, Miss Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Adams, Mr. Donegan, Mr. McBride, Lieut.-col. Hutchins, Dr. Veitch, Mrs. Eddis, Mr. Hurst, Capt. Carew, Mr. Beowell, Mr. Deady, Capt. Smith, Mr. A. B. Rose, Mr. Tiliard, Mr. Finlay, Mr. A. Findlay. From SUEZ.—Mr. Alvey, Capt. and Mrs. Squire. From HONG KONG.—Mr. Arthur, Mr. Gibbon. From SYDNEY.—Mr. Tay or, Dr. Arthur. From GALLE.—Mr. Sealar, Mr. Ames, Mr. Tibbitt, Mr. O. Hagan, Mr. Gold, Mr. Walker, Lieut. Davidson, From MADRAS.—Mr. Macayden, Lieut. Wheatley, Capt. and Mrs. Taylor and infant, Mr. Eddis, Mrs. Taylor, Mr. J. Muddock, Mr. and Mrs. Liddell, Mr. Adams.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 22. Agra, Bell, Bombay.—23. Richard, Hettmeyer, Colombo.—24. Mooltan, Dunn, Suez; Coringa, McCookindale, Rangoon, Moumein, and Straits; Atanania, Balingkara, Trinidad; Good Hope, Miller, Hull.—25. Tubal Caba, Butler, Port Blair; Astrover, Thomas, London; Monka, Loftis, Hong Kong and Singapore; Charles, Coue, Galle.—26. Lightning, Hares, Singapore and Hong Kong; Robert, Saddon, Jonyson, London.—27. Queen of the South, Frain, London; Mula, Bland, Bombay; Pactole, Allaire, Australia; Cyde, Woodmass, Cebu; Gustave and Louis, Bomeau, Kurrachee.—28. Aphrodite, Fitzsimons, London; Oberon, Towill, London.—29. Talavera, Harrington, Colombo; Diamond, Lung, Bombay.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, Jan. 5, 1864.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price.
4 per Cent. 5s.	8s. Rs.	89 Rs. 10 to 10 4/10
Do. Transfer Stock 5s.	Rs.	90 ..
4 per Cent. 10s.	Co's Rs.	91 1/2 .. 9 to 9 1/2
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co's Rs. 100 ..	3 8 to 3 10 pm.
5 1/2 per Cent.	Co's Rs. 100 ..	9 .. 9 1/2
6 per cent., 56-57	Co's Rs. 100 ..	2 1/2 to 2 1/2 pm

EXCHANGE.

On London.		Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight	2 1/4 to 2 1/2
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight	2 1/4 to 2 1/2
Bills with Docs.	at 6 months' sight	2 1/4 to 2 1/2-18
Bank Post Bills	at 1 months' sight	2 0 to 2 0 1/2

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paid-up.	Quoted at
Ra. each.	Ra.	Ra.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	1400 to 1410
Alliance Tea Company	85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	200	525 to 530
Balasun Tea Company	100	155 to 140
Bank of Bengal	1000	1962 1/2 to 1975
Ditto Interest bearing	4000	7900 to 8200
Beerhoom Coal Company	1000	860 to 870
Ditto	200	Nom. to 175
Bengal Coal Company	1000	1150 to 1175
Bengal Printing Company	100	15 to 10 dis.
Bengal River Company	1000	550 to 555
Bengal Tea Company	100	245 to 250
Ditto	80	90 to 100 pm.
Bengal Oil Company	250	par Nominal
Bismuth Tea Company	200	210 to 245
Ditto	175	25 to 30 pm.
Bonded Warehouse Association	445	690 to 700
British India Tea	80	75 to 80
Burdwan Stone Company	100	175 to 180
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	20 to 25 dis.
Ditto (Contributory)	115	740 to 745
Cachar Tea Company	600	40 to 45 pm.
Ditto	400	1370 to 1375
Calcutta Docking Company	700	545 to 550
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	52
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	52	110 to 115
Central Assam Tea Company	100	290 to 295
Central Cachar Tea Company	200	5 to 10 dis.
Chatlawar Tea Company	25	par
Commercial Transport Association	100	10 to 5 dis.
Dehra Doon Tea Company	100	730 to 750
Delhi Bank Corporation	500	5 to 10 dis.
Doshi Teria Tea Company	100	8 dis. to par
Durrang Tea Company	45	75 to 80
E. B. Indigo Company	100	85 to 40
East India Coal Company	100	215 to 219
East India Railway Company	218	125 to 125
East India Tea Company	100	15 to 20 pm.
Ditto	80	120 to 125
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	15 to 20 pm.
Ditto	75	210 to 220
Eastern Bengal Railway Company	218	1450 to 1470
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000	220 to 225
Eastman and Company	250	Nominal
Equitable Coal Company	250	245 to 250
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	500	315 to 320
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	5 to 15 dis.
Gola Ghaut Tea Company	250	390
Goosery Cotton Mills	60	1000 to 1050
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	10 to 15 dis.
Hooghly Steam Tug Company	1000	125 to 140
Hooghly Lighter Association	800	105 to 110
Hope Town Tea Association	100	40 dis.
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	200 to 220
Howrah Docking Company	500	510 to 545
Hunter and Company	250	715 to 750
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	1500 to 1350
Jorhaut Tea Company	200	par
Kunchunpora Tea Company	100	20 to 25 dis.
Kurseong and Darjeeling Tea Co.	250	par to 5 pm.
Landing Shipping	100	50 to 55 pm.
Leibong and Minchou Tea Company	65	par to 5 pm.
Lower Assam Tea Company	35	par
Luckimpore Tea Company	155	par to 5 pm.
Moucherra Tea Company	60	par
Muttuck Tea Company	50	115 to 110
Mutual Tea Company	100	70 to 75
Ditto	60	5 m. Nom.
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	1400 to 1450
New Fort Gloster Company	600	75 to 80
Peoples Bank of India	100	100 to 110
Punjab Bank	100	10 pm.
Punjab Trading	75	100 duli
Puskabare Tea Company	100	par Nominal
Ditto	37	par
Ramghur Tea Company	100	112
Ditto	65	15 to 20 dis.
Royal Bank of India	200	par to 10 pm.
R. Scott Thomson and Company	500	5 to 10 dis.
Screwing Company (Limited)	200	610 to 620
Sea Salt Company	80	par
Seebaugor Tea Company	100	par
Simla Bank	500	1500 to 1520
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	450 to 480 pm.
Soom Tea Company	75	15 to 20 dis.
Soorisore Tea Company	1000	210 to 170
Ditto	250	210 to 212
South Cachar Tea Company	100	200 to 205
Spence's Hotel Company	250	par Nominal
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	200	220 Nominal
Tirhoot Indigo	200	160
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	180
Ditto	60	
Union Steam Tug Company	250	
Upper Assam Tea Company	100	

FREIGHTS.

To London.	To Liverpool.
Saltpetre	£0 10 0 to 0 15 0
Sugar	Nominal.
Rice	Nominal.
Seeds	2 10 0 to 0 0 0
Jute	3 2 6 to 3 5 0
Cotton	3 5 0 to 3 10 0

GEORGE URAGE, an employe in the East Indian Railway Company, who was recently sentenced by the magistrate of Howrah to two years' rigorous imprisonment for the alleged theft of 1,000 rupees, has been released on appeal by the judge of Hooghly.

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

CIVIL SERVANTS IN MADRAS.—As one of the facts for the contemplation of the age, which but ten years ago would have been perfectly incredible, we learn that in Madras the Government finds a difficulty in providing suitable employment for the junior civilians in the Presidency, and is perplexed what to do with those who are annually arriving. The collectors of districts have their full quota of assistants; some of the young gentlemen are put into the Government offices, whilst others, apparently because there was nothing else for them, have been drafted into the new police. The times, indeed, have changed so completely that it is utterly impracticable to create appointments with the sole object of giving them to civilians, whose only part in the business of the administration will be in the monthly signing of bills for salaries on the Public Treasury.

A PROPHET IN THE NIZAMUT.—We learn from Hyderabad, in the Deccan, that one of the sages of the dervishes has prophesied that within four months Hyderabad will be annihilated from the face of the earth, by fire from Masulipatam; this prophecy is to date from the disaster at Masulipatam. The would-be prophet has foretold this event with such bold and brazen-facedness, offering to submit to any punishment at the expiration of the said period, if it did not come to pass, that it has tended to throw the majority of the native population into an awful state of mind, particularly the monied portion, and they exclaim (finding no chance of escape) let us eat, drink, have nautches, and make a display before the world, for very soon we shall either be burnt up alive or drowned. Such is the sad and dreadful state of things in Hyderabad, and before the four months are ended, many will come to grief through the caprice and infatuation of one man.

TEA PLANTING.—We are glad to learn from a letter from Captain H. W. Daly to the Collector of Coimbatore, dated Neilgherries, 2nd November, 1864, that since Mr. Rae's hurried departure in April last, in consequence of ill health, the behaviour of the tea manipulators on the plantation at Shoolar has been quite satisfactory. About 100 acres of the plantation are in cultivation, containing between 12,000 and 15,000 four-year-old tea plants, and about three or three and a-half lacs of plants, aged two and three years; scarcity of labour and Mr. Rae's unavoidable absence have prevented a larger area being opened out. There are also extensive nurseries, but what may be the out-turn of seedlings from them next season it is difficult to estimate. Samples of tea taken home by Mr. Rae have been highly approved of by tea brokers in London. For further information regarding the progress of the tea experiment on the Neilgherries, in reply to the collector's inquiry, Captain Daly refers him to Mr. Rae himself, whose return to the Neilgherries may be expected before the end of the year.—*Madras Times*.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 26. P. and O. str. Mooltan, Dunn, Calcutta.—26. Lady Alice, Stranack, London; Lord Warden, Consett, London.—29. Lord Clyde, Martin, Glasgow; H.M. str. Arracan, Barrow, Rangoon; Ucas, McIntosh, Rio de Janeiro.—30. P. and O. str. Golconda, Bensley, Suez.—Jan. 1. Queen of the South, Frain, Calcutta.—3. Rajasthan, Wilson, Mauritius.—5. Hothspur, Toynee, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Rajasthan.—Mrs. Wilson, Miss Wilson, Master Wilson. Per Hothspur.—Maj. and Mrs. Hamilton and three children, Dr. Walsh, H.M.'s 12th Foot, Lieut. Rowe, Welsh Fusiliers, Lieut. and Mrs. Brooke, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Jamison and two children, Mrs. Stermy and seven children, Mr. McNaughton, two Masters Stevens, Master Harman. Per str. Queen of the South.—Maj. and Mrs. Lloyd and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hunie, G. C. Owen, T. Campbell, Lieut. Cappinger, Lieut. Cock, Dr. and Mrs. Annesley and

two children, Mrs. Cupps, J. D. Agenlar, Serg. maj. O'Brien, wife, and four children, J. Chadley, W. Peane, J. Scott, G. Gibb, Lieut. Bongham, Mrs. Bongham and four children. Per H.M. str. Arracan.—Mrs. Barrow and family, Mrs. O. Dale, Capt. and Mrs. Waddell and family, Lieut. and Mrs. Warden, 19th Regt., and child, Apoth. Staggs, wife, and family, Conductor Scriven and family. Per P. and O. str. Golconda.—Miss F. East, Capt. and Mrs. Hall, Mr. Fletcher, Capt. Trevor, J. Green, Capt. Ogilvie, Mr. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Brockman, Lieut. col. Rich, Surg. Renton, Messrs. Gillilan and Cockerell, Mr. Wood, Miss Shurland, Mr. Finlay. Per P. and O. str. Mooltan.—For MADRAS.—Mr. Martelli, Capt. Dambaz, Rev. and Mrs. Leopold. For GALLI.—Mr. Raines. For BOMBAY.—Dr. Jettes, Mr. Poulton. For Hong Kong.—Mr. and Mrs. Collens. Per Lord Warden.—Mrs. Greenaway, Mrs. Irvine, Mrs. Walters, Mrs. Rice, Mrs. Lys and child, Mrs. Mawbey, Mrs. Meadowcroft, Mrs. Consett, Miss Greenaway, Miss F. Greenaway, Miss Austin, Miss Tobias, Miss Bensley, Col. Greenaway, O. B. Irvine, Esq., C.S., Capt. Walters, Rev. Mr. Lys, Mr. Rice, C.S., Mr. Austin, C.S., Mr. Cherry, Mr. Pettigrew, Lieut. Macdonald, 18th Regt., Mr. Jacob, Rev. Mr. Mawbey, Rev. Mr. Meadowcroft, Mr. Punnett, Rev. Mr. Lee, Rev. Mr. Huslem, Mrs. Flavell and six children, Mrs. Farmer and seven children, Mr. Farmer, Mr. Flavell, Mr. Dyer.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 27. P. and O. str. Mooltan, Dunn, Suez.—28. str. Euphrates, —, Calcutta.—30. P. and O. str. Golconda, Bensley, Calcutta.—31. Prowse, Fish, London.—Jan. 1. H.M.S. Arracan, Barrow, Cocanada.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. S. N. Co.'s str. Golconda.—Lieut. C. R. E. Wheatley, Mr. D. Macfadyen, Capt. F. Taylor, Mrs. Taylor and infant, Mr. W. Eddis, Mrs. J. Taylor, Mr. W. B. Liddell, Mrs. Liddell, Mr. Adams, Mr. Findley. Per P. and O. S. N. Co.'s str. Mooltan.—For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. R. Carew, Mr. Itgen, Mrs. Palmer. For MALTA.—The Hon. E. Maltby, Mrs. and Miss Maltby and three children. For SUZ.—Col. Chambers. For SINGAPORE.—Maj. G. H. and Mrs. Atkinson. For BOMBAY.—Mr. and Mrs. Hinders.

BOMBAY.

TELEGRAPH FRAUDS.

A short time ago the Chamber of Commerce offered a reward of Rs. 5,000 for the detection of persons intercepting telegraphic messages. Since that time the attention of our indefatigable Commissioner of Police having been directed thereto, he has been doing his utmost, with the aid of some of his most intelligent constables, to bring the scoundrels to justice. On Friday, January 6th, two boys, named respectively Daniels and Maloney, were taken into custody, who were employed as signallers in the Government Telegraph Office at Colaba. Since that time they have made certain disclosures which go far to implicate other parties. Summonses were issued from the Fort Police-office calling upon the suspected parties to appear and answer certain charges to be preferred against them. It appears from what has transpired that a regular system has been for some years past carried on by which important commercial messages have been surreptitiously abstracted from the Colaba office. A man of the name of Lawless was formerly employed as a signaller in this (Colaba) office who became acquainted with certain opium brokers who, it is said, induced him to purloin telegraphic messages and transmit the same to them, of course being well paid for the same. Subsequently this man left the office and entered into permanent employment of the brokers. But, before leaving, he managed to introduce a boy named Walton into the office, as a signaller. This boy was taken to the house of the brokers, where he was well plied with wine and money, and thereby induced to supply those people with messages as had been previously done by the other. From some cause or another this lad was suspected, and in consequence dismissed from the office. He and Lawless, however, managed to introduce the two boys Daniels and Maloney into the office, who, of course, continued to supply the information required by their patrons, the brokers, as already described. Every arrangement appears to have been made for the successful "working" of the messages. On the occasion of the boys being taken to the house of their tempters they were told that they would be paid a monthly salary of Rs. 50 each, and also a share in any profits that might be made by the advantage gained thereby

through "early news." A cipher was arranged, which was to be made use of on all occasions, and servants were employed to take the boys' meals in to them who were made use of to bring out the news, of course in cipher. Some of these servants are likewise, we believe, in custody, and they admit having been in the habit of conveying money and messages between the boys and the brokers. The same parties, it is also said, some time ago sent a signaller to Galle. It appears that a boy named, we believe, Spencer, was employed at the Colaba office as a signaller, and all at once he absconded. There is reason to believe that this boy was induced to leave his work in the Colaba office at the instigation of the suspected parties, by whom he was despatched to Galle with the view of being employed in the telegraph office there. This, however, could not be arranged, but he managed, after a time, to get into the Colombo office, where it is believed he is still employed, under an assumed name, being still in the pay of the brokers.

Mr. Mayhew, barrister-at-law, instructed by Mr. Cumrodeen Tyabjee, appeared on the 11th, at the Fort Police-office, before Mr. Oliver, the senior Magistrate of the police, on behalf of Kissondass Hurkisondass, Jeykisondass Hurkisondass, Goverdhundass Hurkisondass and Purshotumdass Hurkisondass, who are, on the information of several parties, charged with offering bribes to persons in the employ of Government, in order to induce such persons to act in a manner inconsistent with their duties. The learned gentleman applied for a copy of the proceedings, which he stated were conducted secretly. His worship said that it was for the interest of the public that he conducted the proceedings in his chambers, and not with any other motives. The proceedings of this court were always laid before the public, but in the present instance, for the sake of justice, he did not think it advisable to conduct the case in open court. Mr. Mayhew was quite satisfied with what passed from the Bench, and asked his worship to postpone the case for some other day. His worship ordered the case to stand over until Wednesday, the 18th January, and in the meantime allowed the advocate to take a copy of the depositions.—*Bombay Gazette.*

MISCELLANEOUS.

MAMMON WORSHIP.—The lust of gain has had the effect of practically abolishing the institution of the Sabbath in Bombay. The *Guardian* complains that all the reclamation companies, not to mention the P. and O. and the railways, have their works going on all the week round, and that Europeans and natives alike are employed on Sunday. It was on a Sunday evening that the late fatal accident occurred at the Back Bay operations.

SCHOOL OF INDUSTRIAL ART.—On the recommendation of the Government of Bombay, and of the local committee of the Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy School of Industrial Art, of which Government is a trustee, the Governor-general in Council has sanctioned an increase of salary to the secretary of that institution from Rs. 300 to 400 a-month. The above-mentioned institution has proved a decided success in Bombay, and the students appear to have made rapid improvement in modelling and drawing, some specimens of which have been submitted to Government.

JUVENILE SPECULATORS.—A portion of Rampart row, called the "Share Market," is daily crowded with hundreds of speculators, among whom we observe native boys of twelve years of age, styling themselves brokers, who may be seen running from one end of the row to another, creating disturbances on the public thoroughfares, resisting the police authorities, and, in short, playing every trick in their transactions with other parties.

ON DITS.—Professor Hughlings is appointed acting Professor of Moral Philosophy; and Professor G. Oxenham is to act as Professor of English Literature.—It is reported that the Hon. Mr. Justice Westropp intends to proceed to England on six months' leave.—Dr. Coles, Secretary to the Principal Inspector-General, Medical Department, is allowed a furlough to Europe for two years, on medical certificate.—Assistant Surgeon G. Birdwood, M.D., is permitted to resign the Medical service from the 27th December last.—It is rumoured that Mr. Maneckjee Cursetjee, third Judge of the Bombay Small Cause Court, has applied to Government for leave to proceed to England.—The Hon. W. R. Cassels has been elected a Director of the Bank of Bombay in the room of Mr. R. McIlwraith, who has gone to Europe.—It is stated that the Hon. Mr. Justice A. K. Forbes has been appointed Vice-Chancellor of the Bombay University.—Dr. F. S. Stedman is appointed Assistant-Surgeon to the Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy Hospital, and also Professor of Medicine in the Grant Medical College.—The *Satya Dipaka* understands that Mr. Maneckjee Cursetjee has tendered his resignation of his appointment as third Judge of the Bombay Small Cause Court.—Surgeon Major W. Thom, M.D., has been appointed to officiate as Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals from the date of Deputy Inspector-General Davidson's departure to Europe.—N. W. Oliver, Esq., Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Provincial Grand Lodge, Western India, Scottish Constitution, has been elected Master of Lodge Perseverance for this year.—Dr. Herbert Giraud has been appointed Surgeon to the Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy Hospital, and Principal of the Grant Medical College, from the 1st January, in the room of Dr. Peet, who proceeds to Europe by the next mail.—Lieutenant Sargeant, R.E., Deputy Consulting Engineer, Railway Department, has been ordered to proceed to Nagpore on duty, in consequence of an officer of the department being much needed at that station.

DISAPPEARANCE OF AN ISLAND.—One of the Maldivé Islands, about 100 miles from Cananore on the Malabar coast, has suddenly disappeared. Such a phenomenon is not of unusual occurrence, several islands having been seen by the crews of vessels to sink. The Rajah of Cananore, it appears, is a loser to the extent of three lakhs of rupees by the singular casualty we have chronicled. Some fishermen living on the island went out in the morning to pursue their usual avocation; on their return in the evening they found their homes *non est*, greatly to their surprise and mortification.—*Our Paper.*

ANOTHER HOSPITAL FOR BOMBAY.—The Hon. Rustomjee Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy has placed at the disposal of Government the sum of Rs. 2,50,000 for the opening of an hospital in Bombay, on a model of the Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy Hospital. This magnificent gift will be the means of supplying a want that has been long severely felt in so large and populous a city as Bombay. The hospital will, we understand, be erected somewhere on the Esplanade-road.

THE WAGHURS.—We observe from the Bombay papers that the Waghurs of Kattywar, who had become rather troublesome, and against whom a small force had been despatched, have offered no active resistance. They have simply retired to their mountain fastnesses, and the authorities appear to be contented with this result. The field force under the command of Major Dennis has been ordered to return to quarters.

THE INDO-EUROPEAN TELEGRAPH.—It is proposed to abandon Mussendom as a station for the cable of the Indo-European Telegraph, and that the Imaum of Muscat has been consulted as to the selection of another point. We believe this change has been determined upon in consequence of the unhealthiness of Mussendom.

THE SHRINE OF PARBUTTEE.—The *Bombay Review* states that the Brahmins of the shrine of Parbuttee, on a rock overlooking Poona and the scene of the battle of Kirkee, have applied to the English Government for an increase to the monthly allowance made to the shrine, on account of the rise in prices. The present sum, we believe, is Rs. 18,000 a year. After the Act vesting all property granted by former heathen or Mussulman rulers to idol shrines and mosques, in committees of the worshippers, we thought it incredible that this abuse should be allowed to continue. But, in answer to the repeated cross-questioning of a recent visitor, the Brahmins asserted that the allowance is still drawn by five of their number every month from the Poona treasury, and they boast, doubtless falsely, that the shrine is directly maintained by the Bombay Government.

BOMBAY INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION.—The commission appointed by Government to arrange the terms on which a concession of land to the promoters of the International Exhibition should be made met on the 4th January, in Mr. Ravenscroft's office in the Secretariat. Mr. Hayllar and Mr. Leith, accompanied by Dr. Birdwood, secretary to the Exhibition, appeared on behalf of the company. It was settled that eleven acres of ground on the esplanade lying near the Boree Bunder station should be conceded to the company free of rent for three years; and that the company should, on the other hand, as a guarantee for their *bona fides*, deposit five lacs of rupees with Government, to be returned upon the completion of the building. The Government also, we understand, promised to give the scheme countenance and support, by communicating with foreign Governments on its behalf, and by taking under its own control the distribution of the prizes. The promoters will probably enter upon the land in March.

BOMBAY BANKS.—The Bank of Bombay has declared a dividend for the last half-year at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, with a bonus of 30 rupees per share, being at the rate of 16 per cent. per annum on the capital stock of the bank. The Bombay Joint Stock Corporation have declared a dividend at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum on the paid-up capital for the period of four-and-a-half months ending on 31st December. The affairs of the Commercial Bank of India were on the 6th January, at a meeting of the shareholders, voluntarily agreed to be wound up. The bank, under the new charter, is now called the Commercial Bank Corporation of India and the East.

THE CURRENCY IN KATTYWAR.—In his annual report on the administration of the province of Kattywar for the year 1863, Major Keatinge, the Political Agent, draws attention to the complete disorganisation of the coinage which existed in the beginning of the year. The currency in many talookas was some obsolete native coin, or the produce of the mints of the only three native states which have a prescriptive right of coining. The Government Rupee was not a legal tender, and not being received in payment of rent, was valued at an unduly low rate, compared with the adulterated or irregular coins. The latter were consequently the favourites, and Major Keatinge has effected a great improvement by directing the Talookdars to introduce the Rupee as a legal tender. Generally speaking this has been effected without any great degree of opposition.

SIR WILLIAM MANSFIELD.—At a recent meeting of the Senate of the University of Bombay, the name of His Excellency Sir William Ross Mansfield was, by a resolution which was unanimously carried, inserted in the list of the Faculty of Law.

THE GOVERNOR AND LADY FRERE, and Admiral King, who have been in Central India, visiting the caves of Ajunta, returned to Bombay on Thursday evening, January the 12th.

ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY.—The museum of the Bombay branch of the Royal Asiatic Society has recently been enriched by the addition of a valuable collection of coins. It consists, we learn from the annual report, of modern coins, European, American, and Asiatic; of ancient Bactrian, Parthian, Sassanian, Cufic, Gupta, and Sah coins; coins of the Patan and Mogul dynasties of India, and the most complete collection ever made of rupees current in Western India, which were in 1844 called in and withdrawn from circulation. The collection has been presented to the society by Mr. Cowasjee Jehangier.

PRACTICAL JOKING.—A Captain Tyrwhitt, it will be remembered, was lately charged by the Sind Railway Company before the magistrate of Kurrachee for exploding a cracker at the terminus of the company. The magistrate dismissed the charge, but the commissioner of Sind has reversed this decision, and ruled that the use of a cracker at a railway station was a nuisance within the meaning of the Railway Act. This trumpety case has served to supply column after column of disquisition to the Kurrachee papers.

CHECK TO SPECULATION.—The rapid increase of Financial Companies has frightened the banks in Bombay, and driven them to adopt a rather strong measure. As a precaution, we learn from the *Mercantile News*, the principal banking establishments have come to the determination not to advance money on the deposit of shares of some of the new Associations. This will probably serve in some degree to check that wildness of speculation which is still doing so much mischief in the Western Presidency.

CONFIRMATION OF NATIVE CHRISTIANS.—At the annual commemoration of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel held in Bombay, on the 21st December, a special confirmation was held of native Christians—nine males and ten females—connected with the Society's Bombay Mission. Of the males, one was a Parsee, two were Mussulmans, one was a Tamulian, four were Mahrattas, and one was a native of Oudh. Of the females, one was a Brahmin, one belonged to the Copper-smith caste, three were of other Hindoo denominations, two were Mussulmans and three Mahrattas. The Bishop's address to the newly-confirmed was read in Hindustani and Marathi.

MR. SCOBLE has been appointed to succeed Mr. G. Taylor on his resignation of his appointments in the High Court, with the exception of that of Registrar of Joint-stock Companies. Mr. Spencer Compton is to perform the duties of the last named office on a salary to be hereafter determined. The Government will, it is believed, take the fees for registration. Mr. Taylor's resignation takes effect from the 9th of January. Mr. George Taylor gave over charge on that day of his duties as Master in Equity, Commissioner for Taxing Accounts, &c., to Mr. Scoble.

MR. BERKELEY, now in the Guzerat Revenue Survey, has been offered the appointment of Assistant Settlement Officer at Shikarpore, vice Captain Wallace, who has been placed under Major Francis. It is also stated that Mr. F. Gibbons, the Hoozoor Deputy Collector of Hyderabad, now on sick leave, is likely to succeed to another appointment in the Deccan.

MASONIC.—Mr. Cursetjee Nusserwanjee Cama has presented the P.G. Lodge of Western India with Masonic clothing and jewels. Mr. N. N. Franjee also contemplates building a Masonic hall; the ceremony of laying the foundation stone will take place early in February, the site being near the Byculla Club.

CYCLONE IN THE ARABIAN SEA.—In the month of December there was a cyclone in the Arabian sea, usually at that season so like a lake. It delayed H. M. steamer *Dalhousie* 13 days in her passage from Aden to Vingorla.

THE CORONER'S DEPARTMENT.—From the year 1827 up to the last year 5,000 inquests were held by her Majesty's coroners for the town and island of Bombay. Of late the business of the coroner's department has so much increased that the Government of Bombay, with the view of increasing the department, have requested the coroner to inform them how many inquests were held from the opening of the department up to the present time.

GUN CARRIAGE PREMISES FOR SALE.—Government intend to dispose of the gun carriage premises at Colaba, consisting of the ground and all buildings standing thereon at the present time, as well as the right of reclaiming the foreshore abutting on the harbour. The Government will grant a lease for 999 years subject to certain stipulations.

BOMBAY UNIVERSITY.—The results of the last matriculation examination of the Bombay University show a decided advance on previous years. Of 244 candidates 109, or less than half, have passed, chiefly Hindoos. The proportion from non-official schools is larger than usual. In this respect there is a steady progress in all three Universities.

A NATURAL CURIOSITY.—Very few of our readers can be aware of the existence of a large cave among the Clifton rocks. It is inhabited by a few Faqueers who have paved the floor and keep the place very clean. The cave is sufficiently high for a person to enter on horseback. It is worth seeing, and would add to the pleasure of an evening stroll in that direction.—*Sindian*.

SURGEON-MAJOR T. B. JOHNSTONE has been appointed secretary to the principal Inspector-General, Medical Department, in room of Dr. Coles.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 29. Fazel Currim, Nacoda, Calcutta; Bombay Castle, Wadde, Hong Kong.—30. Alabama, Hellenbroch, Calcutta.—31. str. Dalhousie, Moreland, Aden and Vingorla; Bushire Merchant, Nacoda, Calcutta; Aaron Brown, Tulooh, Calcutta.—Jan. 1. Adriatic, Thomson, Liverpool; Lancashire, Geshing, Singapore; John Masterman, May, Calcutta.—2. Dunbar Castle, Bladder, Gravesend; Almir Blinet, Brown, Calcutta; Sir John Lawrence, Ellerg, Calcutta; Cheshire, Warsley, Calcutta; Mars, Andersen, Calcutta.—3. Walmer Castle, Bax, Gravesend; Salsette, Tomlin, Hong Kong.—4. Nicholas Currim, Sharp, Calcutta; Golden City, Martin, Calcutta.—5. Fur Lender, Pearse, London; Cymber, Bruhn, Liverpool; Edward Hicken, Fletcher, Moulmein; Futtas Sultan, Nacoda, Calcutta; Glendower, Anderson, Liverpool; Winslow, Howard, Singapore; Adam Giner, Cooney, Sandhead; Bombay Merchant, Nacoda, Penang; Annot Lyle, Shaw, Calcutta; Chervell, Haince, Sydney.—6. Nagasaki, Campbell, Calcutta; Mahratta, Hickman, Calcutta.—7. Kensington, Edwards, Rangoon; Palmyra, Richards, Calcutta.—8. Sydenham, Harding, Kurrachee; Oomrawuttie, Boxter, Glasgow.—9. Water Witch, Welles, Calcutta; Robert Lees, Fouday, Calcutta.—12. Calaban, Thompson, Calcutta; Lord Lyndhurst, Graham, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Walmer Castle, from Gravesend.—Captain D. Harbord, 7th Royal Fusiliers; Mrs. Harbord and two children; Captain P. Fenwick, Bombay Army; Lieutenant and Mrs. Codrington, Bombay Staff Corps; Rev. and Mrs. Barlsby; Mrs. and Miss Aitken; Miss Bryant; Lieut. Basevi, R.H.A.; Ensign Tariano, 4th King's Own Regiment; Mr. Hamlin Blathwayt; Mr. and Mrs. Walshe; and Mrs. Eddington and six children.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 28. Notos, Gibson, Rangoon.—29. str. Orissa, Hector, China; str. Malta, Grubbe, Aden and Suez; Jean Lewis, Winton, Calcutta; Elizabeth, Owen, Rangoon.—30. Lady Cannon, Hedges, Amherst; Tiger, Org, Liverpool.—31. Peshawar, Bomanjee, Mehn, Rangoon; str. Cashmere, Madisson, Calcutta.—Jan. 4. Goldfinder, McWinnie, Akyah; Johanna Matilda, Tooshey, Akyah; Pearl, Browne, Calcutta; Dulcep Singh, Jennings, Liverpool; 5. Euphemus, Nacoda, Jooda and Hoodooda.—6. Hamilton, Bragdon, Amherst.—7. Nussur Musjeed, Mathews, Calcutta; str. General Outram, Main, Malabar Coast.—9. Prince of Wales, Hunter, Liverpool; Alligator, Nacoda, Malabar Coast; str. Coromandel, Carew, Aden.—10. Elizabeth Anne, Lewis, London; Hartell, Hauston, Liverpool; Timoor Shah, Doda, Moulmein; Luckme Pursad, Nacoda, Cochín.—12. Janet Mitchell, Bulman, Liverpool.—14. Mail str. Rangoon, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. Co.'s steamship Rangoon, for Marseille.—Mr. James Bevis, Lieut.-col. R. White and two infants, Hon. M. R. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Sied and two infants, Lieut.-col. A. J. Kelso, wife and child, Mr. Burjorjee Khodadad Franee, Mr. Rustomjee Courtsetjee Rutnaghar, Mr. Jamar Lund, Mr. J. H. Abbott, Colonel Codrington, Mr. M. G. Pirrie, Captain J. W. Miles, Mr. W. P. Priedhar, Cornet Faulkner, Lieut. W. L. P. Drummond, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Sheppard, Mr. Clement

Dheggatt and 'gentleman, Mr. P. C. Lewis, Mr. H. A. Hurst, Mr. B. S. Fisher, Mr. P. S. Melville, For Malta.—Dr. and Mrs. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Griffith, Dr. Post, and Dr. Coles, For Southampton.—Lieut. Francis Paul, Mrs. Charnock and two infants, Dr. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. Milbanke, Mr. Patrick Long, Mr. Joseph Ross and wife, Mr. R. Ramsay and child, Mr. J. Hamilton, Captain and Mrs. Kittoe and infant, Mr. R. Macneil, For Suez.—Dr. Brown, Mr. Andrew Best, Mr. Hanfstarogh and Mr. Hubert Dawson, For Alexandria.—Mr. Roger Smith, Vet.-surgeon Lambert, and Captain Nolan, For Gibraltar.—V. G. Godinho, Mr. E. A. de Crespo, his Excellency Count of Torres Novas, Don Antonio Maria de Mello and child, and Jose Maria de Queiros Abenches.

VESSELS SPOKEN.

Per Walmer Castle.—Sept. 15, Valeria, in lat. 45-55 N., long. 9-57 W. Sept. 21, Oomrawuttie, in lat. 14-24 N., long. 13-30 W. Oct. 4, Pride of the Ocean, in lat. 25-40 N., long. 23-25 W. Oct. 8, Charles Palmer, in lat. 15-07 N., long. 26-08 W. Oct. 9, Coquette; Ellerslie, in lat. 13 01 N., long. 25-52 W. Oct. 11, Indemnity, in lat. 9-24 N., long. 25-01 W. Oct. 15, Conqueror, in lat. 6-42 N., long. 31-18 W. Oct. 18, Roslin Castle; Beigravia, in lat. 2-21 N., long. 21-01 W. Oct. 19, Homesdale; Alcona, on the Equator, long. 22-42 W. Nov. 7, Dunbar Castle, in lat. 39-35 S., long. 6-28 E. Dec. 30, Winslow, in lat. 15 03 N., long. 73-33 E. Per Oomrawuttie.—Dec. 22, Proteus, from Liverpool to Bombay, in lat. 7-41 N., long. 65 E.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, Jan. 13, 1864.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks.—at 6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s. 1-16d. 6 ditto ditto 2s. 1 5-16d. Cred. Bills. 6 ditto ditto 2s. 1 7-16d. Docts. On Calcutta, at sight, per 100 100½ Ditto at 30 days' ditto 99½ Ditto at 60 days' ditto 98½ On Madras, at 30 days' ditto 100½ On China, at 60 days' ditto Rs. 223 per 100 dols.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES.

Agra Bank (Rs. 500) 180 pr. cent pm
Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000) 130 rd n. sh.
Bank of India (Rs. 25) 50 pm.
Broker's Banking Co. (Rs. 20) 13 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 250) 60 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200) 120 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500) 125 rd
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200) 100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 20) 83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 350) 190 do. inc. n. sh.
Oriental Bank Corporation (Rs. 250) 12 pm.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25) 12 do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000) 27 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000) par
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 2,700) Rs. 6,000 p. sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667) Rs. 14,500 p. sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co.:—
(A) share (Rs. 6,000) }
(B) share (Rs. 6,000) } Rs. 150,000 pm.
Frere Press Co. (Rs. 250) Rs. 48,500 pm.
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000) Rs. 2,300 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,200) 10 prem.
Great Indian Peninsula Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 218-3-4) Rs. 6 prem.
Ditto, New £20 Shares (Rs. 87-4-4) par.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Co. (Rs. 1,000) Rs. 300 prem.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000) Rs. 150 prem.
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company (Rs. 1,100) Rs. 75 prem.
Manockjee Pitty's Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 850) Rs. 4,000
House and Land Investment Co. (Rs. 200) Rs. 200 dis.
Bombay Shipping Co. (Rs. 1,500) Rs. 25 pm.
Iron Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000) Rs. 400 dis.
Oriental Ship Owning Association (Rs. 250) Rs. 3,000 p. sh.
Prince of Wales Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000) Rs. 400 prem.
Western India Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000) Rs. 350 prem.
Hydraulic Press Co. (Rs. 4,000) Rs. 2,500 prem.
Oriental Weaving and Spinning Company (Rs. 2,500) Rs. 700 prem.
Royal Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 1,500) Rs. 90,000 pr. sh.
Victoria Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000) Rs. 400 prem.
Coorla Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000) Rs. 47,000 pm.
Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 2,500) Rs. 95
Colaba Land Co. (Rs. 10,000) Rs. 95
Bonded Warehouse Co. (Rs. 400) 92½
Back Bay Reclamation Co. (Rs. 5,000 paid-up) 102½
Five-and-a-Half per Cent. 110½

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Four per Cent. Sica Rs. Trans. Loan Rs. 95
" " Sica Rs. Loan 1832-33 95
" " Co.'s Rs. Loan 1835-36 92½
" " " " 1842-43 92½
" " " " 1854-55 102½
Five per Cent. Co.'s Rs. Loan 110½
Five-and-a-Half per Cent. 110½

PRICE OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns each, Rs. 10-3
Bank of England Notes " 10
Spanish Dollars " 210
Carolin Dollars " 290
Mexican Dollars " 230
Five Franc Pieces, Rs. 232 tolas " 222½
German Crowns " 214½
Bar Silver, 17 and 17½ dwt. better, per 100 tolas " 106-10
Sycee Silver " 105
Gold Leaf 99½ touch " 16-12
Gold Bars, English " 16-10
Ditto, Pekin " 16-8

FREIGHTS.

To London—Cotton, £2. 10s. to £2. 12s. 6d.; Seeds, £1. 15s. to £1. 17s. 6d.
To Liverpool—Cotton, £2. 10s. to £2. 12s. 6d.; Seeds, £1. 2s. 6d. to £1. 5s.



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BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

*Home Dept., Fort William, Dec. 7.—No. 6,825.—*The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Mr. O. G. R. McWilliam and Mr. T. M. Kirkwood, of the C.S. to the Bengal div. of the Presidency of Fort William.

*No. 6,826.—*Mr. O. G. R. McWilliam, jun. civil servant, having obtained a certificate of high proficiency in Bengalee, has been presented with the authorised donation of Rupees 800.

*No. 6,827.—*Mr. E. O'Brien, of the C.S., reported qualified for the public service, is attached to the N.W.P., the Punjab, and Oude.

*Dec. 19.—No. 6,828.—*Re-attached to the Bengal div. of the presy. of Fort William, Mr. A. Abercrombie, of the C.S., who returned from furl. on the 12th inst.

*Dec. 21.—No. 6,830.—*Sub asst. surg. A. Thomas, in civil med. charge of the station of Kyouk-Phyoo, Ramree dist., Arracan div. of British Burmah, has 1 mo. prep. leave, with a view of appearing before the standing medical committee at Barrackpore.

*No. 6,832.—*Mr. W. W. Hende, civil surgeon of Nagpore, has 6 weeks' leave, prep. to applying for furl. in the milly. dept.

*Dec. 22.—No. 6,834.—*Ens. R. G. Kennedy, of H.M.'s 55th regt., to be an A.D.C. on H.E.'s personal staff, from the 8th inst.

The services of Lieut. W. C. Anderson, 3rd Punjab cav., are replaced at the disposal of the Punjab Govt. from the 7th inst.

*No. 6,836.—*Col. C. T. Chamberlain, of the Bengal staff corps, and comdnt. of the 1st Bengal cav., to be an hon. A.D.C. on H.E.'s personal staff.

*No. 6,838.—*Asst. surg. H. Clark, M.D., to the joint med. charge of Simla, v. Dr. Paske, prom.

*No. 6,839.—*Mr. H. B. Riddell received charge of the office of director-general of the Post-office of India on the 14th inst. from Mr. A. M. Monteath.

*No. 6,840.—*Mr. W. J. Herschel, C.S., is re-att. to the Bengal div. of the Presy. of Fort William, who reported his return from furl. on 16th inst.

*Dec. 23.—No. 6,842.—*Rev. E. H. Blyth, M.A., app. a junior chaplain on the Bengal estab., reported his arrival on the 13th inst. per str. *Nubia*. Mr. Blyth's services are placed at the disp. of the Govt. of N.W.P.

*No. 6,843.—*The priv. leave for one mo., granted by the Lord Bishop of Calcutta to the Rev. T. C. Mathews, chaplain of Thyet-Myo, is confirmed by the Gov. gen. in Council.

*No. 6,844.—*Lieut. F. N. M. Maynard, district superint. of police in Oude, returned on the 1st inst. from the 3 mos. priv. leave granted to him in G. O. No. 2,472, dated Sept. 3.

*No. 6,845.—*Lieut. T. Lowndes, superint. of police, 2nd grade, British Burmah, has one mo.'s prep. leave to Calcutta from Nov. 19 last, on m.c., with the view of obtaining leave to Europe on m.c.

Lieut. Lowndes delivered over charge of his office to Capt. J. C. Middleton, supt. of police, 2nd grade, in the district of Prome, in the afternoon of Nov. 19.

The foll. officers are invested with the powers of a mag.:

Capt. E. M. Playfair, within the limits of the cantonment of Kamptee.

Maj. S. C. D. Ryder, within the limits of the cantonment of Jubbulpore.

Maj. H. T. Bartlett, within the limits of the cantonment of Saugor.

SMALL CAUSE COURTS.

The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to establish, in the cantonments of Kamptee, Jubbulpore, and Saugor, Courts of Small Causes for the trial of suits of the nature described in section 3 of Act XLII. of 1860; and to declare that the pecuniary limit of the jurisdiction of each of these courts shall be Rs. 500.

The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased, under section 12 of Act XXII. of 1864, to extend section 34 of Act V. of 1861 to the cantonments of Kamptee, Jubbulpore, and Saugor.

The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to declare, under section 44 of Act XXII. of 1864, that in respect to the Courts of Small Causes in the cantonments of—

Kamptee, Jubbulpore, and Saugor, the Judicial

Comr. of the Central Provs. shall exercise the powers vested in the Sudder Court by the provisions of Act XLII. of 1860.

*Dec. 20.—No. 1,633.—*H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to grant Col. G. Ramsay, resident at Nepal, leave of absence (not beyond sea) on m.c., for 20 mo., from Feb. 1 next.

*No. 1,635.—*Mr. C. Lindsay, settlement officer of Hurdul, in Oude, resumed charge of his duties on the forenoon of Dec. 8.

*No. 1,636.—*H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to accept the resignation by Maj. gen. G. St. P. Lawrence, C.B., of his office of agent to the Gov. gen. for the states of Rajpootana, from Nov. 1 last.

Lieut. col. E. K. Elliott, offic. agent to the Gov. gen. for the states of Rajpootana, is confirmed in the app. from the above date.

Mr. R. Temple, offic. chief comsnr. of the Central Provs., is confirmed in the app. from the above date.

*Dec. 21.—No. 244.—*Asst. surg. F. H. O'Donel, in med. charge of the Meywar Bheel corps, has leave for three mos., from Feb. 1 next, to proceed to Calcutta, prep. to applying for leave to Eur.

*No. 1,645.—*Mr. F. St. C. Williams, extra asst. comsnr. of Baraich, in Oude, has obt'd. one mo. priv. leave of absence from Dec. 1.

*No. 1,646.—*Mr. P. A. Walker, extra asst. comsnr. of Lucknow, availed himself, on Nov. 7, of the 25 days' prep. leave granted him in G.O., No. 1,387, dated Nov. 21.

*Dec. 23.—No. 1,654.—*Mr. P. A. Walker, extra assist. comr. of Lucknow, was left by the pilot at sea on board the str. *Candia* on Dec. 10.

*No. 4,015.—*Mr. O. T. Cutter, superint. of Govt. printing, and in charge of the Military Orphan Press, is allowed priv. leave for 1 mo., in ext. of the leave granted to him in financial notification No. 3,352, dated Nov. 17.

*Dec. 22.—No. 4,108.—*Mr. E. S. Byrne received over charge of the office of 1st asst. auditor gen., and Mr. G. W. Macleod of that of 4th asst. auditor gen. of India, Dec. 19.

*Dec. 19.—No. 356.—*Mr. G. C. Cooke, asst. engr., 2nd class, was relieved of his duties on the Agra and Bombay road Nov. 22.

*No. 358.—*Lieut. J. Browne, asst. engr., 2nd class, Punjab, is transf. to the N.W.P., and his services placed at the disposal of the Lieut. Gov. for employment as asst. principal in the Thomason College.

*No. 359.—*In continuation of notification No. 297, dated Oct. 28, Mr. T. Leonard, asst. overseer, Mysore, was relieved of his charge in the public works dept. Oct. 31.

*No. 360.—*Mr. E. B. Medley, asst. engr., 2nd class, Rajpootana circle, joined the 3rd div. Mhow and Nusseerabad Road Nov. 22.

*No. 361.—*Mr. C. Nuttall, dep. controller of public works accounts, Hyderabad, with temp. rank of 3rd class, and offic. dep. controller, Mysore, is confirmed in that grade with effect from Nov. 1.

Mr. G. D. Prussia, acctnt., British Burmah, with temp. rank of 2nd class, is confirmed in that grade with effect from Nov. 1.

*Dec. 20.—No. 363.—*In continuation of notification No. 344 of Dec. 5, Mr. C. W. Hope, asst. engr., 1st class, is appointed asst. to the superint. of light-houses, with effect from Oct. 29.

*No. 364.—*Capt. E. Davidson, R.E., dep. consulting engr. and asst. secy. to the Govt. of Bengal, in the railway dept., not being about to return to India, vacates his appointment from Dec. 1, from which date Major J. St. J. Hovenden, R.E., hitherto officiating, is confirmed in his appointment of dep. consulting engr.

*No. 365.—*Mr. W. H. Dun, asst. engr., 2nd class, held temp. charge of the Arracan div. public works, from July 4 to Aug. 15, inclusive.

*Dec. 21.—No. 366.—*Mr. E. Grant, a passed student of the Madras Civil Engineering College, is appointed to the public works dept. as an asst. overseer, and posted to Mysore.

*No. 367.—*Mr. J. Anderson, temp. overseer, Port Blair, is dismissed from the public works dept., with effect from Oct. 22.

*Dec. 22.—No. 368.—*Mr. D. A. Gantzer, offic. dept. controller of public works accounts, assumed charge of the Hyderabad office of accounts, to which he was appointed in public works notification, No. 289, dated Oct. 8, on the forenoon of Dec. 5.

*Dec. 19.—No. 1,035.—*Lieut. T. St. Q. Clutterbuck, gen. list inf., is perm., at his own request, to resign his appt. of doing duty officer in the 4th regt. Sikh inf., and his services are accordingly placed at the disposal of the C. in C.

*No. 1,036.—*The following order issued by the Resident at Hyderabad is confirmed:—

*Sept. 15.—No. 171.—*Granting Lieut. R. J. McGhee, officg. adj., 2nd inf. Hyderabad contingent, 2mo. leave in ext.

*No. 1,038.—*The following promotion is made:—

Third class commy. of ordnance Capt. J. Stewart, to be 2nd class commy. from Dec. 1, in room of 2nd class commy. Capt. J. G. Hathorn, asst. to the insp. gen. of ordnance and magazines, whose name will be borne on the roster of the dept. as "seconded."

*Dec. 5.—No. 1,041.—*The following orders issued by the Resident at Hyderabad are confirmed:—

*Nov. 24.—No. 216.—*Confirming the following regimental orders issued by the officer comdg. 1st cav. Hyderabad contingent:—

*Dated Oct. 31.—*Directing Maj. W. Murray, commanding 1st cav. Hyderabad contingent, to assume, in the absence of any other officer, the charge of the adjt.'s office, consequent on the departure of Lieut. W. H. Macnaghten, offic. adjt., transferred to the 2nd cav. Hyderabad contingent.

*Dated Nov. 11.—*Directing Lieut. J. G. D. Walker, paid doing duty officer, 1st cav. Hyderabad contingent, to offic. as adjt. from the above date on joining the corps.

*Dated Dec. 7.—No. 22.—*Confirming the regtl. order issued by Capt. C. S. Fagan, commanding 1st inf. Hyderabad contingent, directing Maj. Shand, paid doing duty officer, to offic. as adjt. from Nov. 25, 1864, in room of Lieut. A. C. Havelock, officg. 2nd in command.

*No. 1,042.—*The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on leave m.c.

Lieut. Sir G. L. M. Parker, bart., of the Bengal staff corps, qr.mr. 3rd Goorkha Regt., for 20 mo.

*Dec. 20.—No. 1,044.—*The undermentioned officers have reported their return from England:—

Capt. C. R. Shaw, of the Bengal staff corps, assist. commr., Roy Bareilly, date of arrival at Fort William, Nov. 29, 1864.

Maj. (brev. lieut. col.) R. R. Mainwaring, of the late 6th Eur. regt.; and Maj. A. H. Ternan, of the Bengal staff corps, dep. commr., Jaloun, date of arrival at Fort William, Dec. 13, 1864.

Maj. T. C. Darnell, of the Bengal staff corps; and Maj. J. J. Eckford, of the Bengal staff corps, dist. superint. of police, Agra dist.; Lieut. G. B. Johnston, of the late 54th regt. N.I., dist. superint. of police, Durrung; and Asst. surg. W. Watson, M.B., of the medical dept., date of arrival at Fort William, Dec. 13.

*No. 1,045.—*The following promotions by brevet are made under the operation of G.G.O. No. 632 o Aug. 4, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

BREVET.

To be Lieut. Cols.

39th N.I.—Maj. C. Jackson, from Dec. 11.
65th N.I.—Maj. H. L. Robertson, from Dec. 11.
43rd N.I.—Maj. W. Q. Pogson, from Dec. 12.

To be Majors.

4th N.I.—Capt. A. Cumine, from Dec. 10.
58th N.I.—Capt. F. J. Ellis, from Dec. 10.
26th N.I.—Capt. M. J. White, from Dec. 10.
60th N.I.—Capt. F. C. Innes, from Dec. 10.
17th N.I.—Capt. F. E. Laing, from Dec. 10.
3rd E.R.—Capt. S. D. White, from Dec. 10.

To be Captain.

45th N.I.—Lieut. W. F. Edwards, from Dec. 9.
*No. 1,046.—*In modification of G.G.O. No. 454 of May 27, it is notified that drivers, mahouts, and elephant coolies will be allowed compensation for dearth of provisions in the 2nd, instead of in the 1st class, as therein authorised.

*No. 1,047.—*H.E. the Gov. gen. of India has been pleased to make the following appointment:—

Governor-general's Body Guard.

Cornet W. A. Lawrence, of the 21st hussars, doing duty officer, corps of guides, and a candidate for the staff corps, to be adjt., on probation, v. Capt. Lockwood, who vacates on promotion.

*No. 1,048.—*Appointments:—

PUNJAB IRREGULAR FORCE.

2nd Infantry.

Lieut. N. J. Jones, doing duty officer, to be qrmr., v. Lieut. Thomson, deceased.

*No. 1,049.—*The undermentioned officers are admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India:—

Lieut. R. P. Nisbett, gen. list, inf., asst. comsnr., 3rd class, Umritsar district, Punjab, July 21, 1862.

Ens. E. A. Raikes, H.M.'s 107th foot, asst. comsnr., 3rd class, Goojranwalla district, Punjab, March 4.

*No. 1,050.—*The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl.:

Maj. G. Hamilton, Bengal staff corps, for 2 years.
No. 1,051.—The following order, issued by the Govt. of Bombay, is confirmed:—

Dated Dec. 7.—No. 602.—Granting leave of abs. to Europe, on m.c., to Lieut. col. R. Kenny, of Bengal staff corps, comdt. 3rd regt. of Sikh inf., for 20 mos.

No. 1,052.—Vet. surg. A. Turnbull, of Bengal estab., is perm. to proceed to Europe on private affairs under old regs. for the residue of the furl. on the same account granted to him in G. G. O. No. 450 of March 24, 1857.

Dec. 21.—No. 1,054.—Mr. J. W. Mitchell is promoted from the 3rd to the grade of 2nd class sub-asst. in the Great Trigonometrical Survey of India, with effect from Sept. 1 last.

No. 1,055.—Sub-Conductor H. Smith, att. to the office of the adjutant-gen., is prom. to the rank of conductor.

No. 1,056.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appointment:—

Major H. F. Brooke, H.M.'s 48th foot, major of brigade, to be asst. adjt. gen. of division, in success. to Capt. F. J. S. Gully, dec.

Dec. 22.—No. 1,058.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proceed to Europe on m.c.:—

Maj. A. S. O. Donaldson, of the late 45th regt. native inf., for 20 mos., under the new regulations.

No. 1,059.—Appointment:—

Punjab Irregular Force, 5th Inf.

Asst. surg. S. Mackertich, M.D., attached to the 2nd native light inf., to the med. charge, v. Staff Asst. surg. John, placed at the disp. of H.E. the C. in C. for another app.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR, N.W.P.

Dec. 9.—No. 612a.—Mr. B. Span, resident engr. attached to the East India Railway at Allygurh, to be hon. dep. mag., and to invest him with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class, to be exercised within the precincts of the railway from the border of the Muttra dist., where the line enters the Allygurh dist., to Secunderabad, in the Boolundshuhur dist.

Dec. 16.—No. 632a.—Dr. W. Walker, superint. of the Govt. press and curator of Govt. books, to be chemical examiner for the N.W.P., Oudh, and the Central Provs.

No. 942a.—33 days' leave, under the orders of the Govt. of India, dated Oct. 7, 1862, is granted to Capt. W. M. Fraser, dist. superint. of police at Saharunpore, prep. to leave to Eur. on m.c.

No. 943a.—Capt. J. T. Watson, offic. dist. superint. of police at Allygurh, is app. to offic. as dist. superint. of police at Saharunpore, during absence on leave of Capt. the Hon. W. M. Fraser.

No. 944a.—Mr. J. W. Williams, asst. dist. superint. of police in the Meerut and Rohilkund div., is app. to offic. as dist. superint. of police at Allygurh, during absence on leave of Maj. C. T. Hallett.

No. 958a.—Local Lieut. R. J. Young is app. an asst. dist. superint. of police, with effect from 1st inst., consequent on the resignation of Lieut. D. M. Strong.

No. 960a.—The resignation by Lieut. D. M. Strong of his appt. as asst. dist. superint. of police is accepted, and his services are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India, in the milly. dept., with effect from 1st inst.

Dec. 9.—No. 3,757.—Mr. A. F. Millett, C.S., reported qualified for the public service, and attached to N.W.P., the Punjab, and Oudh, is posted as an asst. to Meerut div., and is invested with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class, and with those of an asst. coll.

Dec. 10.—No. 3,768a.—A fortnight's leave of absence is granted to Mr. F. N. Wright, asst. mag. and coll. in the Agra division.

No. 3,771a.—An extension of leave on m.c. for 9 mo. is granted to Mr. S. Thornton, dep. coll. at Cawnpore.

No. 3,772a.—Mr. D. L. Sandford will continue to offic. as dep. coll. at Cawnpore.

Dec. 12.—No. 3,794a.—With the consent of the officer commanding at Jhansie, Dr. J. R. Murray, asst. surg. 107th regt., in med. charge of B battery 22nd R.A., at Jhansie, is placed in charge of the civil medical duties of that station as a temp. arrangement.

No. 3,806a.—Asst. surg. J. D. Wylie, M.D., whose services have been placed at the disposal of this Govt., is app. to be civil asst. surg. at Nynsee Tal.

No. 3,808a.—One mo. priv. leave has been granted to the Rev. R. Bland, B.A., chaplain of Muttra, with effect from Jan. 1 next.

Dec. 14.—No. 3,826a.—An ext. of leave on m.c. for 11 mo., under Section VI. of the Civil Service

Absentee Rules, to enable him to proceed to Europe, is granted to Mr. W. H. Hudson, asst. mag. and coll. at Goruckpore, with effect from date of the expiry of the leave granted by G.O. No. 3,663a, dated 1st inst.

No. 3,831a.—Dr. J. M. Cunningham, superint. of the central prison at Meerut and offic. superint. of the Govt. press at Allahabad, is temp. placed in charge of the central jail at Allahabad, pending the arrival of Dr. J. R. Jackson, with effect from date on which he is relieved of his present duties by Dr. W. Walker.

Dr. Cunningham is invested with the powers of a mag., as described in Section 22 of Act XXV. of 1864, to be exercised within the precincts of the jail under his charge.

Dec. 18.—No. 3,845a.—Asst. surg. E. A. Fitzgerald, of the 1st regt. N.I., is placed in charge of the jail at Lullupore, and is invested with the powers of a mag., as described in Section 22 Act XXV. of 1861, to be exercised within the precincts of the jail under his charge.

No. 3,848a.—With the consent of the officer commanding the station, Asst. surg. E. A. Fitzgerald, of the 1st regt. N.I., is app. to the med. charge of the civil station of Lullupore, in addition to the performance of his own duties.

No. 3,875a.—Asst. surg. T. G. Skardon, whose services have been placed at the disposal of this Govt., is app. to offic. as civil asst. surg. at Jhansie.

No. 3,877a.—Mr. D. C. Halkett, who has reported his return from leave to Europe, and has been re-attached to the N.W.P., the Punjab, and Oudh, is posted as an asst. to the Benares division.

Dec. 7.—No. 5,400a.—Leave on m.c. for 1 year, with prep. leave for 14 days to enable him to proceed to Kumoon and the hills north of Deyrah, is granted to Mr. R. J. Clarke, exec. eng., 3rd div., Grand Trunk Road.

No. 5,171a.—Lieut. G. F. L. Marshall, R.E., probaty. asst. engr., public works dept., N.W.P., having passed the prescribed examination, is promoted to the grade of asst. engr., 2nd class, from 17th ult.

Dated Camp Bhurtpoor, Dec. 12.—No. 5,521a.—With reference to G.O., No. 330, dated 25th ult., the appt. of Mr. Fitzgibbons as asst. overseer will count from Nov. 4, the date of his having passed the prescribed examination.

Dec. 14.—No. 2,914.—With reference to notification No. 2,603, dated 12th ult., Mr. J. H. Penn, probaty. asst. engr., joined the Bundelkund road division on 5th inst.

No. 2,915.—Capt. C. S. Thomason, R.E., relieved Mr. E. Battie of the charge of the Kohilkund canals on 2nd inst.

Dec. 17.—No. 2,930.—With reference to notification No. 2,837, dated 3rd inst., Lieut. col. F. Alexander, exec. engr., 1st class, received charge of the Meerut division public works from Maj. Sir E. Leeds, Bart., exec. engr., 2nd class, on 28th ult.

Dec. 20.—No. 967a.—One mo. priv. leave is granted to Mr. G. H. Volkera, asst. dist. superint. of police in the Jhansie div.

Dec. 21.—No. 3,909a.—With reference to G.O., No. 3,346a, dated Oct. 24 last, it is hereby notified that the senior extra asst. comr. at the head quarters of the Jaloun dist., is appointed to be dist. registrar for the dist. of Jaloun.

No. 3,917a.—The undermentioned gentlemen are appointed to be dist. registrars for the dists. specified opposite their names, as a temp. arrangement, with effect from Jan. 1:—

Mr. D. Anthony, Benares.

Mr. A. W. Wollaston, Allahabad.

Mr. T. Dyce, Agra.

Mr. J. A. Pinheiro, Cawnpore.

Dec. 20.—No. 5,678a.—Priv. leave of absence for 20 days is granted to Capt. J. H. Dyas, R.E., chief engr. irrigation works, N.W. Provinces, from 20th inst., or from such date as he may avail himself of the same.

No. 2,959.—Mr. J. Hair, exec. engr., 4th class, assumed charge of the Allygurh div. Ganges Canal on the 5th inst. as a temp. arrangement.

Dec. 23.—No. 2,991.—With reference to notification No. 5,309a, dated Nov. 28, Mr. W. H. Parker, exec. engr., 4th class, received charge of the Cawnpore and Jhansie Road div. from Mr. R. J. Clarke, on the 14th inst.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR, PUNJAB.

Dec. 15.—No. 1,055.—Mr. R. C. Jones, asst. dist. superint. of police, to officiate as dist. superint. of police, Goordaspore, v. Lieut. R. J. Wimberley, proceeded on sick leave.

Dec. 27.—No. 655.—Mr. G. H. F. Jameson, asst. patrol, salt dept., has priv. leave for 1 mo., with

effect from such date in December, 1864, as he may avail himself of the same.

Dec. 14.—No. 2,433.—The Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India has been pleased to grant extension of leave for 6 mos., on m.c., to each of the officers as follows:—

Mr. E. C. George, postmaster, Lahore, and Mr. C. Stephen, extra asst. comr.

No. 2,446.—Mr. E. H. Harrison, C.S., is appointed an asst. comr. of the 3rd class in the Punjab, and posted to the Goordaspore district.

Dec. 16.—No. 2,450.—Mr. H. B. Beckett, extra asst. comr., Peshawur, delivered over charge of his duties on Dec. 10, 1864.

No. 2,451.—The Rev. W. Simpson, chaplain of Kussowlee, has leave of absence for 1 mo., with effect from Jan. 1, 1865.

Dec. 16.—No. 4,568.—Mr. Dally is appointed a clerk of the 11th grade, and posted to office of offic. chief engr. irrigation works.

Dec. 19.—No. 735.—Mr. H. W. P. Hutton, B.A., professor of English, Delhi College, to offic. for Lieut. Holroyd, insp. of schools, Umballa circle.

Mr. C. R. Cooke, B.A., head master, Delhi Zilla School, to offic. as professor of English in the Delhi College.

Mr. A. H. Millett, 2nd master, to offic. as head master of the Delhi Zilla School.

The above appts. to have effect from Nov. 29, 1864, the date on which Lieut. Holroyd's services were transf. to the Committee for Revision of Military Examination Text Books, and to continue in force till further orders.

No. 1,078.—Mr. C. Powell, offic. asst. dist. supt. of police, Hissar, has obtained leave of abs. for 14 days, from the date of his availing himself of the same, and subject to the rules of the audit dept.

No. 1,079.—Lieut. G. W. Manson, dist. supt. of police, Mooltan, has obtained privilege leave of abs. for 1 mo., with effect from Feb. 4.

No. 1,089.—Mr. J. P. Warburton, offic. asst. dist. supt. of police, offic. as dist. supt. at Kurnal, from Oct. 1 to Nov. 16, 1864.

No. 2,468.—The servs. of Mr. H. E. Perkins, assist. comr., are temporarily placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India, in the milly. dept., with effect from the date of his making over charge of his civil duties at Delhi, for the special duty described in Resolution of the Govt. of India, milly. dept., No. 175, dated Sept. 10, 1864.

Dec. 20.—No. 2,478.—Col. Sir H. B. Edwardes, K.C.B., comr. and superint., Umballa div., has prep. leave m.c., with effect from such date after Jan. 1, 1865, as he may avail himself of the same.

No. 2,480.—Capt. K. Young, dep. comr., Hoo-shyarpore, to officiate as dep. comr. of Goordaspore.

No. 2,481.—Capt. J. B. Smyly, assist. comr., to officiate as dep. comr. of Kangra, until the return of Mr. P. H. Egerton.

No. 2,482.—Capt. G. F. J. Lewin, assist. comr., from Goordaspore, to Umritsur, on making over charge of the former district to Capt. Young.

No. 2,486.—Mr. G. Knox, assist. comr., Peshawur, is permitted to proceed on furl. for 1 year to Eur., and is also allowed 8 weeks' prep. leave, with effect from Feb. 1.

No. 2,487.—Asst. surg. R. S. Bateson, in civil med. charge at Umballa, has obtained priv. leave of abs. for 1 mo., with effect from the date of his availing himself of the same.

No. 352.—Lieut. A. FitzHugh, wing officer 4th Seik inf., from Sept. 8 to Oct. 8, 1864, on m.c.

This cancels the leave granted to that officer in Punjab Order No. 269, dated Sept. 22 last.

No. 354.—The 1st Punjab inf. regt. Order, dated 19th ult., directing Lieut. W. H. Unwin, qr.mr., to act as wing officer, and Lieut. T. T. Oliphant, doing duty officer, to act as qr.mr., in addition to his other duties, consequent on the departure of Lieut. Pitcher, wing officer, on furl., is confirmed, as a temporary arrangement.

Dec. 19.—No. 4,632.—Assist. overseer sergt. R. Teeling from the Lower Sirhind to the Jullundur div.

Probationary assist. overseer Mr. J. Phillips from the Jullundur to the Lower Sirhind div.

Dec. 22.—No. 1,093.—The hon. the Lieut. Gov. has been pleased to confirm the appointment, by the judge of the Small Cause Court at Simla, of Mr. A. Robertson, as clerk of that court, with effect from May 20, 1864.

Dec. 23.—No. 1,107.—Lieut. N. Newbery, asst. dist. supt. of police, to be a dist. supt. of the 3rd grade, with effect from the date Capt. Moseley left the dept.

No. 1,108.—Lieut. E. Newbery, dist. supt. of

police, is posted to the Sirsa dist., but will continue to office as personal asst. to the insp. gen. of police.

No. 1,111.—Lieut. col. E. S. Denniss is re-appd. a dist. supt. of police, 1st grade, and posted to the Kangra dist.

No. 1,112.—Mr. E. A. Marshall, asst. dist. supt. of police, officd. as dist. supt. at Googaira from Aug. 8 to Nov. 5, 1864.

No. 2,508.—Mr. G. Smyth, C.S., is appd. an asst. comr., of the 3rd class, in the Punjab, and posted to the Sirsa dist.

No. 2,509.—Major H. W. H. Cox, dep. comr. Peshawur, and officd. dep. comr. of Huzara, is permanently transf. to the latter dist.

No. 2,510.—Maj. R. R. Adams, dep. comr., from the Huzara to the Peshawur dist.

No. 2,512.—Capt. A. A. Munro, asst. comr., from the Peshawur to the Kohat dist., and to office as dep. comr.

Dec. 24.—No. 2,514.—Powers.—Maj. A. L. Busk, officd. dep. comr. of Kurnal, is vested with the full judicial powers of a comr. for the trial of session cases, and civil and criminal appeals, in the Umballa div.

No. 2,515.—Appt.—Capt. J. E. B. Parsons, asst. comr., to office as dep. comr. of Kurnal, during the absence of Maj. Busk on the above duty, or until further orders.

Dec. 23.—No. 356.—The station order by the officer comdg. at Abbottabad, dated Nov. 18, authorising the provision of firewood in the hospitals of the 1st Punjab inf. and 5th Goorka regt. at that station, to the extent and under the conditions prescribed in G.G.O. No. 924, dated Oct. 7, 1862, is confirmed.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Head Qrs., Camp Meerut, Nov. 28.—Asst. surg. J. A. Illingworth, A batty. 19th brig. R.A., passed the prescribed colloquial examination on 14th inst.

Dated 29th ult.—Directing Staff Asst. surg. J. Kelly, in med. charge of No. 2 batty. 25th brig. R.A., to proceed to Delhi.

Dated 31st ult.—App. Capt. A. R. N. Gould and Ens. J. A. Murray, of the 97th foot, the former to command and the latter to do duty with a detachment of invalids proceeding towards Calcutta.

The following presidency division orders are confirmed:—

Dated 1st inst.—Directing Staff Asst. surg. R. W. Lawless to do duty at the depot hospital at Kidderpore.

The Benares station order dated 1st inst., app. Lieut. G. A. P. Arbuthnot, late 4th Eur. L.C., to offic. as station interpreter v. Capt. R. D. Campbell, wing officer 30th N.I., proceeded with his regt., there being no qualified officer available, is confirmed.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Horse Art.—Maj. D. McNeill (D batty. C brig.), from Nov. 14 to Dec. 14, to Calcutta, on m.c.; Capt. G. G. J. Campbell (C batty. D brig.), from date of embarkation at Bombay, to England, on m.c.; Asst. surg. F. E. McFarland (D batty. C brig.), from Nov. 1 to Jan. 1, 1865, to remain at Meerut, on m.c.

7th Foot.—Lieut. H. W. L. Paddon (1st batt.), from date of embarkation to England, for 17 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

42nd Foot.—Lieut. W. Underwood, from Dec. 4 to Dec. 9, in ext., to remain in Calcutta, prep. to embarkation.

45th Foot.—Lieut. W. de W. Van, from date of embarkation, to England via the Cape, on m.c.

52nd Foot.—Maj. A. L. Peel, from date of embarkation to England, preceding his regt. by the overland route.

Medical Dept.—Asst. surg. F. Powell, M.B. (garrison asst. surg. Fort William), from June 30 to July 2, in ext. of priv. leave, to enable him to rejoin.

Nov. 30.—The following Sealkote Station order are confirmed:—

Dated the 13th ult.—App. Lieut. R. G. Loch, 20th Hussars, station interpreter, with effect from the 9th idem, v. Lieut. Trench, proceeded on command.

Lahore order confirmed:—

Directing Surg. T. Atchison, relieved from med. charge 2nd Bengal cav., to assume charge of Fort Govindgurh and afford med. aid to all staff officers and their establishments.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By Capt. A. T. Armstrong, offic. comdt. 10th Bengal cav., dated the 6th ult., making the following appts., during the absence on special duty of Maj. C. H. Palliser:—

Lieut. O. Barnes, 2nd squadron officer, to offic. as 2nd in com. and squadron officer.

Lieut. A. England, 3rd squadron officer, to continue to office as 2nd squadron officer.

Lieut. E. J. Webber, doing duty officer, to offic. as 3rd squadron officer.

Jullundur brig. officer, dated the 15th ult., appg. Asst. surg. M. H. Lackersteen, 45th N.I., to the med. charge of the staff at the station, v. Asst. surg. J. Richardson, M.B., proceeded on service.

By the officer comdg. the 20th N.I., dated the 25th ult., appg. Lieut. and doing duty officer W. H. Meiklejohn to offic. as adj., in addition to his own duties, with effect from the 17th idem.

Lucknow brig. order, dated 5th inst., directing Asst. surg. R. Sutherland, and Offg. Asst. apothecary J. Parnham, 5th lancers, the former to take med. charge of, and the latter to accompany, the detachment of invalids of the season proceeding to the presidency, the asst. surg. returning to Lucknow on completion of the duty.

Dec. 1.—The following orders are confirmed:—

Barrackpore station order, dated 1st ult., directing Asst. surg. T. Ringer, M.D., 40th native inf., to assume med. charge of the Lahore light horse, v. Asst. surg. G. Bremner, M.D., proceeding with a detachment to the presidency.

Meerut div. order, dated 2nd ult., permitting Lieut. col. H. E. S. Abbot, Bengal inf., to continue to do duty during the winter with the Landour convalescent depot.

Presidency div. order, dated 3rd ult., appg. Lieut. R. H. Dyas, late 4th Eur. regt., to do duty with the 18th native inf., proceeding on serv.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Art.—Lieut. H. D. Evans (A batt. 11th brig.), from date of embark., to England for 17 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage; Capt. D. G. Anderson (F batt. 18th brig.), from date of embark., to England, via Egypt, on m.c.; and Lieut. col. F. G. Nuthall (20th brig.), from date of embark., to England, on m.c.

6th Drags.—Cornet C. D. B. Creagh, from Dec. 17 to June 17, 1865, in ext., to remain in England.

33rd Foot.—Maj. H. C. Fitzgerald, from date of embarkation, to England for 6 mo., prep. to retiring from the service.

34th Foot.—Maj. J. Jordan and Capt. J. F. Wyse, from date of embarkation, to England for 17 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

44th Foot.—Lieut. R. Y. Foley, from date of embarkation, to England via Egypt, on m.c.

71st Foot.—Lieut. Le M. J. Carey (offg. qmrm.), from Nov. 5 to Dec. 5, to Calcutta, on m.c.

79th Foot.—Ens. H. F. Rowley, from date of leaving regt., to Kurrachee for 1 mo., on m.c.

103rd Foot.—Lieut. col. W. S. Furneaux, from date of embarkation, to England via Egypt, on m.c.

Med. Dept.—Surg. J. W. R. Amesbury (attached to 1st Bengal cav.), from Dec. 9 to Feb. 9, 1865, in ext., to remain in the hills north of Deyrah, on m.c.

Veteran Estab.—Lieut. J. Lamb (dep. comy. of ordnance) from Dec. 10 to Oct. 15, 1865, in ext., to remain in the hills north of Deyrah, on m.c.

Dec. 7.—With reference to G.O.G.G. No. 773, the C. in C. is pleased to cancel G.O. of Dec. 15, 1862, directing that extracts of division or station orders, authorising conveyance of officers proceeding on duty, be forwarded direct to the office of the Controller of Military Accounts for disposal.

The app. of Lieut. C. McD. Skene, as offic. doing duty officer to the 33rd N.I., is canc. at his own request, dated Dec. 3.

Lieut. H. C. Fagan, staff corps, is att. to the 19th Hussars for the purpose of being instructed in cav. drill.

Intimation has been received of the foll. medical officers recently appointed to the R.A., having been posted to the batteries opposite their respective names. Further orders will be issued respecting their joining the batteries to which they belong.

18th Brig. R.A. (Bombay).—Asst. surgs. J. S. Joyner, from 89th foot to D battery at Neemuch, and J. B. Jardine, from 56th foot to G battery at Baroda.

19th Brig. Royal Art.—Asst. surgs. J. A. Illingworth, from med. staff to E batt. at Jullundur, and W. Ironside, M.D., from 71st foot to G batt. at Peshawur.

21st Brig. Royal Art.—Asst. surgs. J. J. Pope, from 72nd foot to No. 1 batt. at Mhow, and A. Royle, from 44th foot to No. 3 batt. at Belgaum.

22nd Brig. Royal Art.—Asst. surgs. T. H. White, M.D., from 80th foot to B batt. at Jhansi, T. A. C. Macarthur, from med. staff to C batt. at Morar, R. White, from 23rd foot to F batt. at Agra, and W. W. Quinton, M.B., from med. staff to G batt. at Meerut.

23rd Brig. Royal Art.—Asst. surgs. G. Simon, M.D., from med. staff to B batt. at Secunderabad,

A. R. Hall, from 52nd foot to E batt. at Bellary, A. C. M'Tavish, from 60th foot to G battery at Thayetmyo, and J. H. N. Bracken, from 54th foot to D batt. at Secunderabad.

24th Brig. R.A.—Asst. surg. J. H. Oliver, from med. staff to No. 3 battery at Peshawur, and A. W. Beveridge, M.D., from med. staff to No. 5 battery at Morar.

25th Brig. R.A.—Asst. surgs. C. H. Y. Godwin, from 38th foot to No. 1 battery at Delhi, and John Davidge, from med. staff to No. 6 battery, Bhootan field force.

Dinapore brig. order, dated the 1st ultimo, appg. Lieut. H. S. Simeon, of the 27th foot, to offic. as station interpreter, v. Capt. G. Ward, maj. of brig., proceeded on leave, there being no qualified officer available.

ERRATUM.—In G.O. of the 11th ult., directing Asst. surg. J. Kitchan, M.D., to proceed and join E batty. A brig. R.I.A., for "E batty. A brig.," read "E batty. F brig."

Leave of Absence:—

7th Foot.—Brig. maj. H. S. Cochrane, V.C. (1st battln., brig. maj. Saugor dist.), from Sept. 13, 1864, to Sept. 23, 1865, to remain in England on m.c.

97th Foot.—Lieut. T. C. Wharton, from Sept. 20, 1864, to March 21, 1865, to remain in England on m.c.

Rifle Brig.—Col. A. Macdonell, C.B. (3rd batt.), from Dec. 20, 1864, to April 16, 1865, and Qmrm. F. Piper (2nd batt.), from Sept. 9, to Dec. 9, to remain in England on m.c.

Dec. 8.—Maj. gen. N. Jones, of the Bengal army, is perm. to reside within the limits of the Peshawur (instead of the Sirhind) div., and to draw his pay from the Rawul Pindie circle.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointment:—

3rd N.I.—Lieut. F. A. Darley, doing duty with 13th N.I., to be doing duty officer, v. Marshall, whose appointment is cancelled, at his own request, dated Dec. 6 last.

Intimation has been received from the Horse Guards that the undermentioned assistant surgeons, recently appointed to the royal artillery, have been posted to the batteries mentioned opposite their respective names:—

16th Brigade.—Asst. surgs. H. H. Maclean, to A batty., under orders to march to Saugor; J. D. Sainter, to C batty., at Barrackpore; and R. Rutherford, to D batty., at Dinapore.

19th Brigade.—Asst. surgs. C. Ricketts, to A batty., at Ferozepore; E. Wilkes, to F batty., at Meeran Meer; and C. Maunsell, to D batty., at Mooltan.

Orders will be subsequently issued directing these medical officers to join the batteries to which they belong.

Under instructions from H.R.H. the F.M. Cg. in C., Capt. C. W. St. John, 94th foot, is directed to proceed and join the regimental depot, at the public expense. Capt. St. John is directed to do duty with invalids and time-expired men of the season on the voyage to England.

The following Barrackpore station orders are confirmed:—

Dated 2nd ult.—Appointing Maj. E. W. F. Howard, staff corps, station interpreter, v. Capt. W. D. Bishop, late 30th N.I., appointed to do general duty at Fatchegurh.

Dated 3rd ult.—Directing officg. Asst. apothecary W. Beards, Lahore Light Horse, to proceed to Dinapore with F. batty., 16th brig. royal arty., and thence to rejoin his corps.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the officer commanding the 91st foot, dated Sept. 4 last, appointing Ens. F. R. C. Voyle, assist. instructor of musketry, from 1st idem, v. Lieut. J. Buller, resigned.

Nowshera Station Order dated Oct. 15 last, appointing Ens. R. Stratford, of the 51st foot, station staff, from the 16th idem, v. Capt. G. H. H. Ware, there being no qualified officer available.

Mooltan garrison order, dated Oct. 31 last, directing Capt. A. Callander, major of brig., to take charge of the office of rail and transport establishment.

Leave of absence:—

Brigade Staff.—Major H. Lane (brig. maj. Rawul Pindie), from Jan. 15 to Feb. 15, to Calcutta, prep. to leave to Europe on m.c.

Royal H. Artillery.—Brev. maj. D. McNeill (D batty. C brig.), from date of embarkation, to England, m.c., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

6th Dragoons.—Capt. G. M. Billington, from date of embarkation, to England via Egypt, m.c.

28th Foot.—Col. F. Adams, C.B., from date of

embarkation, to England, preceding the regt. by the overland route.

43th Foot.—Lieut. G. T. Miller (adjt.), from date of embarkation, to England, to undergo the course of musketry instruction at Hytha, preceding his regt. overland.

51th Foot.—Lieut. D. B. Coppinger, from date of embarkation, to England via the Cape of Good Hope, m.c.

72nd Foot.—Lieut. G. S. Murray, from date of embarkation, to England via Egypt, m.c.

89th Foot.—Capt. S. H. Hobbs, from date of embarkation, to England, for 17 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

90th Foot.—Lieut. R. A. Nolan, from date of embarkation, to England via the Cape of Good Hope, m.c.

Late 72nd N.I.—Major H. H. Lyster, v.c. (wing officer 3rd Goorkha regt.), from Oct. 16, 1864, to Oct. 16, 1865, in ext.

Dec. 9.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

7th Hussars.—Capt. Sir M. Barlow, Bart., from 88th foot, to be capt., v. Topham, who exch.; dated Dec. 12, 1864.

88th Foot.—Capt. R. Topham, from 7th hussars, to be capt., v. Sir M. Barlow, Bart., who exch.; dated Dec. 12, 1864.

Appointment:—

4th Goorkha Regt.—Lieut. F. F. Rowcroft, offic. wing officer, 3rd Goorkha regt., to offic. as wing officer, v. Capt. Turton, offic. as 2nd in com.; dated Dec. 12, 1864.

Under instructions from the Horse Guards, Lieut. H. G. Bowen, 88th foot, will proceed overland to England, at the public expense, to join the depot of his regt.

The following transfer and postings are directed:—
Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals F. Hare is transf. from the Saugor to the Agra Circle, v. Murray, prom.

Offic. dep. insp. gen. of hospitals J. Bowhill, m.d., is posted to the Saugor Circle, v. Hare.

Offic. dep. insp. gen. of hospitals W. Keates is posted to the Dacca Circle, v. Mann, dec.

The following Presidency division orders are confirmed:—

Dated Sept. 27 last.—Directing Asst. surg. A. Lewer, B. baty. C. brig. R.H.A., to proceed to Benares for duty.

Dated 11th ult.—Directing Asst. surg. T. B. Farncombe, recently returned from furl. to Europe, to proceed and assume medical charge of the 3rd Goorkha regt., proc. on service to Bhootan.

Dated the 15th ult.—Permitting Lieut. D. R. Clarke, late 55th N.I., to proceed to Benares for duty in that div.

Dated the 16th ult.—Directing Offic. asst. apothecary J. Forsyth, doing duty at the depot hospital at Kidderpore, to proceed and do duty with the 1st batt. 11th foot, at Dum-Dum.

Dated the 17th ult.—Permitting Lieut. E. Kitson, late 64th N.I., to proceed to Benares, for duty in that div.

The following Gwalior district order is confirmed:—
Dated the 13th ult.—Directing Asst. surg. W. R. Wall, of the 81st foot, to assume med. charge of the royal arty., at Morar.

The following orders are confirmed:—
Tezpor station order, dated April 8 last, directing Dr. S. Lynch, civil med. officer, to assume medical charge of the left wing 18th N.I., there being no other med. officer available.

By the officer comdg. the 97th foot, dated Oct. 24 last, directing Lieut. G. P. Lucas, gen. list, inf., doing duty with the 97th foot, to proceed in charge of invalids and time expired men, Nov. 1, from Nowgong to the Presidency.

Meerut station order dated the 14th ult., apptg. Col. W. F. Beatson, Bengal inf., to assume command of the station, v. Maj. gen. F. Wheeler, c.b., proceeded on duty.

Leave of Absence:—

Staff Corps.—Maj. G. Hamilton, from date of availing himself of the leave to Calcutta for 2 mo., prep. to applying for furl. to England.

Royal Art.—Lieut. col. E. K. Money, comdg. 24th brig., from Jan. 2 to March 3, to visit Calcutta.

Late 6th Eur. Inf.—Capt. R. F. Grindell, from March 16 to Sept. 1, to remain in Calcutta, prep. to retiring from the service.

Sub Med. Dept.—Asst. Apothecary J. E. Lovegrove, from Oct. 1 to date of embarkation, in ext., to remain in Calcutta, prep. to proceeding to Eur., on m.c.

Pay and Allowances.—Grant of Full Batta Rates.

"No. 22.

"By H.E. the Governor General of India in Council.
"Dated Fort William, Jan. 6, 1865.

"H.E. the Viceroy and Governor General in Council has great satisfaction in announcing to the army, that he has received the authority of the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India to declare that the rules hitherto in force with respect to the grant of pay and allowances at the full or half Batta rates, are abolished, and that from the 1st of Jan., 1865, all officers, non-commissioned officers, and men in receipt of regimental pay and allowances, wherever stationed, will draw such allowances at the full-batta rate.

"2. The above order in no way affects existing rules in regard to the rates of pay drawn by officers of the staff corps, or by officers holding staff appointments.

"H. W. NORMAN, Colonel.

"Secy. to the Govt. of India."

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Fort St. George, Dec. 30.—Mr. O. B. Irvine, Madras C.S., reported his return to Madras by the Lord Warden on the 28th inst.

No. 494.—Promotions, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Brevet.

Capt. W. Blount, 7th regt. N.I., to be major from Dec. 29.

Capt. R. G. Lewis, 31st L.I., to be major from Dec. 29.

The undermentioned officers have returned to their duty, by permission of the home Govt., without prejudice to their rank:—

Lieut. col. T. Greenaway, staff corps, arrived at Madras on Dec. 28.

Lieut. R. A. Walters, 50th regt. N.I., doing duty 14th regt. N.I., arrived at Madras on Dec. 28.

The leave to Bombay, granted in G.O.G., Dec. 23, No. 487, to Lieut. col. A. R. Fraser, of the staff corps, paymaster Hyderabad subsidiary force, is to have effect from the 16th idem.

No. 495.—Madras Staff Corps.—Capt. A. R. Clephane, having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from Dec. 29, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Leave of absence:—

Jan. 4.—Lieut. F. B. Boone, acting asst. superint. of police, North Arcot, ext. of leave on m.c., until March 31 next.

Capt. J. Bean, superint. engr., 6th div., four weeks' prep. leave.

Mr. J. R. Cockerell, Madras C.S., reported his return to the presidency, per str. *Gulconda*, on 30th ult.

Mr. W. P. Austin is admitted as a member of the Madras C.S. from the 28th ult., the date of his arrival at the presidency per ship *Lord Warden*.

The Rev. F. G. Lys, M.A., is admitted as a jun. chaplain on the Madras estab. from the 28th ult., the date of his arrival at Madras by the ship *Lord Warden*.

Superint. Engrs.'s office, 7th Div., Ootacamund, Dec. 29.—Lieut. col. G. W. Walker, R.E., superint. engr., 7th div., delivered over charge of the div. to Maj. W. Farewell, exec. engr., on Dec. 24, 1864, from which date the former officer availed himself of the three mo. priv. leave, published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of Dec. 13, 1864.

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Bombay Castle, Dec. 26.—Under the provisions of Sect. V. of Bombay Act IX. of 1863, entitled "An Act for the prevention of adulteration of Cotton and the better suppression of Frauds in the Cotton Trade in this Presidency," H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to appoint Mr. H. Bulkley, acting inspector in chief for the town and port of Bombay, as the officer authorized to issue licences for the working of cotton presses in Bombay.

Dec. 27.—No. 641.—The following officers are allowed furl. to Eur. on m.c.:—

Capt. A. W. Graham, of the staff corps, for 20 mo.

Lieut. A. LeMessurier, royal engrs., dep. consulting engr. for railways, for 20 mo.

Lieut. B. Seton, royal engrs., assist. exec. engr. public works dept., Khandeish, for 18 mo.

Dep. inspector gen. of hospitals, R. H. Davidson, m.d., for 20 mo.

Surg. W. C. Coles, med. estab., for 18 mo.

Surg. G. F. H. Brown, of the med. estab., for 20 mo.

No. 642.—The following officers are allowed furl. to Eur., on m.c.:—

Lieut. col. A. R. Fraser, Madras staff corps, and paymaster Hyderabad subsidiary force, for 20 mo.

Lieut. F. W. Buller, gen. list, Madras army, attached to 2nd regt. Madras L.C., for 18 mo.

Dec. 28.—Capt. A. C. Way, acting political supt., Sawnut Warree, assumed charge of his duties on the 12th inst., and delivered over charge of those of 2nd in command of the Sawnut Warree local corps to Lieut. and Adj. Phillips on the same date.

Mr. W. Sandwith to act as asst. agent for sirdars in the Deccan, until further orders.

Dec. 24.—Mr. E. T. G. Pearson, asst. secy. judicial dept., is allowed leave of absence for 3 mo., on m.c.

The app. of Mr. C. F. H. Shaw as judge and sess. judge of Kaludghee is to take effect from the 1st inst., and his previous app. as judge and sess. judge of Sholapore from Aug. 28 last.

Mr. W. H. Newnham, to act as sen. asst. judge and sess. judge of the Konkun for the detached station of Rutnagherry, during the abs. of Mr. A. T. Crawford, or until further orders.

Mr. C. Izon to act as asst. judge and sess. judge of Poona until further orders.

Dec. 28.—Mr. W. A. East acted as registrar on the appellate side of the High Court from Oct. 29 to Nov. 28 inclusive.

Mr. G. A. Summers acted as 1st asst. registrar for the same period.

Mr. J. R. Naylor, 2nd asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kuldghee, is vested with the powers of a mag., under the Code of Criminal Procedure in the Kuldghee dist.

Mr. C. F. H. Shaw, judge of Kuldghee, is allowed 1 mo. priv. leave of absence.

Mr. J. W. Robertson, of the Bombay C.S., returned to his duties on Dec. 26.

Dec. 27.—With reference to Govt. notification of Sept. 14, the Rev. G. L. Allen, acting chaplain of the fort, Belgaum, will visit Kaludghee and Sawnut Warree with Rairee, so that his absence from Belgaum shall not exceed once in each month.

Dec. 24.—Professor J. P. Hugglings to act as professor of moral philosophy in the Elphinstone College.

Professor G. Oxenham to act as professor of English literature in the Elphinstone College.

Dec. 31.—No. 645.—The following officer having applied for admission to the staff corps under the provisions of para. 2 of G.O.G.I. No. 531, dated June 27, is appd. to the Bombay staff corps from the date specified opposite his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secy. of State for India:—
Lieut. W. Marshall, gen. list, doing duty officer 25th N.I., from 1st Jan. 1864.

No. 646.—Surg. maj. W. Thom, m.d., is appd. to offic. as dep. insp. gen. of hospitals, with temp. rank, from the date of Dep. insp. gen. Davidson's departure to Europe.

No. 4.—Lieut. C. M. Browne, gen. list, is allowed a further ext. from Oct. 25 to Dec. 13, of the leave granted him in G.O. No. 263 dated May 28.

No. 5.—The undermen. officer having completed 20 yrs. service, to be maj. by brev. from the date specified, under para. 69 of the despatch from the Right hon. the Secy. of State for India, No. 194 dated June 17, subject to H.M.'s approval:—Capt. J. M. Holt, 20th N.I., Dec. 26.

No. 6.—Staff asst. surg. H. Sherlock is brought on the strength of H.M.'s British forces in this Presidency from Dec. 26, the date of his arrival at Bombay.

No. 7.—Maj. D. C. Shute, of the Bengal army, dep. asst. quar. gen., Lahore div., is allowed a furl. to Europe for 20 mo. on m.c.

No. 8.—The undermen. officers having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be maj. from the date specified, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—
Capt. W. Wilson, Dec. 28.

Capt. S. C. Law, Dec. 28.

No. 9.—The undermen. officers having completed 12 years' service, to be capt. by brev. from the date specified under para. 69 of the despatch of the Right hon. the Secy. of State for India No. 194, dated June 17:—
Lieut. A. T. Reid, 10th N.I., Dec. 20.

Lieut. W. H. Ross, staff corps, Dec. 20.

No. 10.—The undermen. officer having completed 12 years' service, 4 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt. from the date specified, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—Lieut. E. M. Smith, Dec. 20.

ERRATA.—Surg. G. F. H. Brown, medical estab., has furl. to Europe, on m.c., for 3 years, instead of 20 months, as published in G.O. No. 641; dated Dec. 27.

The services of Lieut. G. H. L. Pole, R.E., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India, instead of the Govt. of Madras, for duty in the public works dept., as published in G.O. No. 626; dated Dec. 19.

In G.O. No. 624, dated Dec. 16, for "Staff asst. surg. Davidson," read "Staff surg. Davidson."

Jan. 2.—Maj. J. B. Dunsterville to be district registrar for the Town and Island of Bombay.

Jan. 3.—Mr. W. Johnson to act as asst. sec. to Govt. in the judicial dept. during the absence of Mr. Pearson on m.c.

Jan. 4.—The Hon. the Gov. in Council has been pleased to confirm the appt. made by the Hon. the Chief Justice of the High Court of Mr. A. R. Scoble as master and registrar in equity and comor. for taking accounts and for local investigations, and also as taxing officer, in the room of Mr. G. Taylor, res.

Mr. W. H. Bolton, asst. revenue surveyor, to be 1st class dep. coll. of Jacobabad in Sind.

Dec. 30.—Capt. A. W. H. Finch, R.E., is app. an exec. engr. of the 2nd class.

Mr. F. R. Griffith, exec. engr. for irrigation, Ahmednuggur and Nassick, is allowed priv. leave on m.c. from the 2nd to the 16th Jan., both days inclusive, to proceed to Bombay.

Jan. 4.—Surg. maj. H. Girard to be surg. to the Jamssetjee Jejeebhoy Hospital, and Principal Grant Medical College, from Jan. 1.

Asst. surg. F. S. Stedman to be asst. surg. Jamssetjee Jejeebhoy Hospital, and professor of medicine Grant Medical College, from Jan. 1.

Jan. 1.—N. W. Oliver, Esq., senior mag. of police, and Capt. W. C. Barker master attendant and conservator of the port, to conduct an investigation into the circumstances connected with the stranding of the ship *Sydenham* on the S.W. Prong, on the evening of the 7th inst. The investigation will be held at the Port police office, Bombay, on the 17th inst., at half-past 2 o'clock p.m.

Jan. 7.—No. 14.—Capt. C. D. Macleod, cadre 31st regt. N.I., attached to the 1st grenadier regt. N.I., is allowed a furl. for 2 yrs. on private affairs, under the new furl. regts., with perm. to embark from Aden.

No. 18.—The undermentioned officer having completed 20 years' service, to be major by brevet from date specified, under paragraph 69 of the despatch from the Rt. Hon. the Sec. of State for India No. 194, dated June 17 last, subject to her Majesty's approval:—

Capt. T. S. Warden, 4th N.I.; Jan. 13, 1865.

No. 19.—The undermentioned medical officer having completed 20 years' service, to be surgeon major from the date specified, under paragraph 7 of G.O. No. 325, dated July 13 last, subject to her Majesty's approval:—

Surgeon J. Y. Smith, M.D.; Jan. 3, 1865.

No. 21.—Asst. surg. G. Birdwood, M.D., is permitted to resign the medical service from Dec. 27 last.

Jan. 11.—Nos. 24 and 25.—The following officers having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provisions of paragraph 2 of G.O.G.I. No. 531, dated June 27 last, are appointed to the Bombay staff corps from the dates specified opposite their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secretary of State for India:—

Lieut. H. T. Hebbert, 17th regt. N.I.; staff appointment, 3rd asst. to the political agent, Katiawar; date of admission, May 1, 1862.

Lieut. A. T. Reid, 10th regt. N.I.; staff appointment, 2nd squadron officer 1st Scinde horse; date of admission, Feb. 19, 1861.

No. 26.—The leave on m.c. granted to Lieut. G. H. F. Codrington, adjt. 3rd regt. Scinde horse, by G.O. No. 197, dated April 7, 1863, is extended from Dec. 13 to Jan. 3 last.

No. 27.—The undermentioned officers, having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be majors, from the date specified, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Capt. (brev. major) M. S. Green, C.B., Jan. 3.

Capt. F. L. Mackeson, Jan. 3.

Jan. 5.—The Hon. the Gov. in Council is pleased to direct that military officers appointed to political situations should pass, within a year, an examina-

tion in the language of the district in which they serve.

Jan. 11.—Mr. J. C. Edwards entered on his duties as uncovenanted asst. resident, in charge of the Bushire treasury on Sept. 1 last.

H.E. the Gov. in Council has been pleased to recognise the appointment of Don Medin Fallada as consul for Spain at Bombay.

Mr. H. E. Leeke acted as senior mag. of police, Bombay, from Nov. 7 to Dec. 6, both days inclusive.

Lieut. W. F. Prideaux, officg. 3rd asst. to the political resident at Aden, is vested with the powers of a mag. under the Code of Criminal Procedure.

Capt. S. Scott, 1st asst. superint. of Khandeish police, is allowed priv. leave of absence for 3 mo., under Section XII. of the Covenanted Civil Absentee Rules.

The Hon. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following appointments:—

Lieut. F. S. McGillivray to be superint. of police at Shikarpoor.

Major W. Pirie to be superint. of police at Rumnagerry.

Mr. C. F. H. Shaw, judge of Kulladghee, having availed himself of the 1 mo. priv. leave of absence granted to him on 28th ult. from Dec. 28, 1864, to Jan. 6, 1865, only the remaining portion of that leave is cancelled.

Jan. 5.—Mr. C. G. Blathwayt, of the C.S., is placed under the collector of Ahmednuggur, for the purpose of studying the Hindustanee language.

Jan. 6.—Mr. W. H. Maber, of the C.S., passed an exam. in Marathi on Jan. 4.

Jan. 11.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following appts.:—

Mr. W. Cole to be 1st class dep. coll. of Hyderabad.

Lieut. C. G. Grant, to be 2nd class dep. coll. of Shikarpoor, continuing to act as judge of that zilla.

Lieut. F. J. T. Ross, 2nd class dep. coll. of Shikarpoor, to be 2nd class dep. coll. of Hyderabad, v. Mr. Cole.

Mr. A. H. Plunkett, Hoozoor dep. coll. of Kurra- chiee, to act temp. as coll. of Customs, Kurra- chiee.

Mr. F. Gibbons, dep. coll. of Hyderabad, is allowed leave of abs. for 3 mo. on m.c., under Sec. XI. of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

Jan. 7.—Surg. W. Davey received charge of the civil jail and police hospitals and of the office of registrar of marriages at Ahmednuggur from Surg. J. G. Fraser on the 31st ult.

Jan. 5.—Lieut. col. A. De Lisle, R.E., is appd. consulting engr. for reclamations from Jan. 1.

Jan. 11.—Capt. J. H. P. Malcolmson, R.A., prob. asst. engr., having returned to duty Dec. 16, the unexpired portion of the leave granted on Oct. 17 is cancelled.

The Hon. A. K. Forbes, judge of H.M.'s High Court of Judicature, Bombay, has been appd. to the office of Vice-Chancellor of the University of Bombay.

Surg. maj. J. Peet delivered over charge of the duties of principal, Grant Medical College, to Surg. major H. Girard on the 1st inst.

Jan. 5.—The Rev. J. H. T. Blunt, appd. by H.M.'s Principal Sec. of State for India a junior chaplain on the ecclesiastical estab. at this presy., is admitted to the service from Dec. 12 last, the date of his arrival in Bombay.

Jan. 11.—Rev. J. D. Gibson, chaplain of Byculla and Tanna, is allowed leave of absence for 6 mo., to proceed to England on private affairs, from 29th inst.

Rev. G. C. Reynell is app. to act as chaplain of Byculla and Tanna, v. J. D. Gibson.

Rev. J. H. T. Blunt is app. to act as chaplain of Hyderabad and Kotree, v. G. C. Reynell.

Rev. C. H. L. Lye is app. chaplain of Kirkee from Dec. 29 last.

The Hon. the Chief Justice of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay has app. A. R. Scoble, barrister-at-law and commissioner for taking accounts and for local investigations, to be official trustee for this Presidency, in the place of J. W. Orr Esq., who has resigned that office.

No. 4.—Asst. surg. McGrath is att. for temporary duty in the Jamssetjee Jejeebhoy Hospital, with effect from Dec. 17.

No. 5.—Asst. surg. Lumsdaine, attached to the Khelat agency, is allowed priv. leave of abs. for 2 mo., from date of departure.

Dec. 31.—Mr. S. W. Tyndall, dep. coll. and mag. of Mehur, in the Shikarpoor collectorate, avails himself of sick leave of absence from 20th inst.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

USE OF ENGLISH CHAFF-CUTTING MACHINES.

Adjutant General's Office, Poona, Dec. 24.—No. 1,180.—English Chaff-cutting Machines, of the

description recently brought into use at Kirkee by the officer comdg. F. baty. 18th brig. R.A., are sanctioned to mounted corps, at a cost of Rs. 86-8-0 each, in the following proportion:—

One to each field battery.

Four to each regiment of dragoons.

Commanding officers will make their own arrangement for procuring these machines.

They will be paid for by the Quartermaster gen. of the army on receipt of a certificate, forwarded through the usual channel, that they are in a serviceable condition and actually at work.

On change of station they are to be made over in good order to relieving regiments or batteries.

No. 1,183.—Orders confirmed:—

Dated 18th Nov.—By the officer comdg. 45th regt., appg. Lieut. C. F. Gaye, acting adjt., and Lieut. E. L. H. Kyle, acting qrmr. and paymr. to the wing of the regt. detached to Neemuch, with effect from the date of separation.

Dated Dec. 9.—By Maj. gen. Green, C.B., directing Asst. surg. Ward to assume charge of the office of the dep. insp. gen., Mhow div., from the date of departure of Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals R. H. Davidson, M.D.

By the officer comdg. 1st batt. 4th foot, appg. Lieut. Hughes to perform the duties of asst. instructor of musketry, in the absence of Ens. Lugard, or until further orders.

No. 1,184.—Maj. R. D. Hassard, cadre 2nd Eur. regt., is placed on gen. duty, Belgaum.

No. 1,185.—The undermentioned officers are reported to have passed the required examination in the native language as follows:—

Hindoostanee—Staff Test.

Lieut. J. I. Tinling, gen. list, attached to 28th regt. N.I.

Lieut. W. B. Seton, gen. list, attached to 26th regt. N.I.

No. 1,186.—The undermentioned officer has passed the prescribed colloquial examination in the Hindoostanee language:—

Staff asst. surg. C. McD. Cuffe, attached to 3rd dragoon guards.

No. 1,190.—Leave of absence:—

Lieut. col. D. J. Kinloch, royal art., 21st brig., 15 mo. from date of embark., to England.

Lieut. col. F. Conybeare, 18th brig. R.A., from Feb. 27 to Nov. 27; 2nd Capt. P. H. Harcourt, 18th brig. R.A., from Feb. 9 to Nov. 9, both to remain at sea and the colonies, in ext.

Asst. apothecary F. S. Francis (attached to 95th foot), subordinate med. dept., one mo. from date of departure, on m.c.

Dec. 26.—No. 1,191.—The following temporary arrangements are confirmed:—

2nd Grenadier Regt. N.I.

Capt. N. B. Thoys to offic. as 2nd in command, and Capt. F. P. C. Roberts to offic. as wing officer, from Dec. 3, until the arrival of Maj. Roome.

16th Regiment N.I.

Lieut. W. T. Eden, qrmr., to offic. as adjt., in addition to his own duties, from Dec. 12, v. Iredell.

27th Regiment N.I., or 1st Belooch Regiment.

Capt. J. Barras to officiate as adjt., from Dec. 5, v. Browne.

No. 1,192.—The undermentioned officer returned to duty by permission of the Secretary of State for India on Nov. 29:—

Lieut. col. D'O. T. Compton, staff corps.

No. 1,193.—Capt. F. S. Iredell continued to offic. as adjt. 16th regt. N.I. up to Dec. 11.

Dec. 28.—Leave of absence:—

Brevet lieut. col. G. C. Vials, 95th foot, from June 20, to Sept. 20, in extension, on private affairs.

Leave of absence:—

Asst. surg. J. B. Jardine, E. battery, 18th brig. royal art., from Dec. 22, to Dec. 31; Capt. R. P. Mainwaring, 1 mo. from date of departure, to Bombay, on m.c.

Dec. 29.—No. 1,201.—Returned to duty Dec. 4.—Maj. R. M. Johnstone, staff corps.

Dec. 30.—No. 1,202.—Staff asst. surg. Sherlock is directed to proceed from Bombay to Poona, at the public expense, for duty with the 33rd foot.

No. 1,203.—Asst. surg. N. Carter, 109th foot, is directed to return to Aden and relieve Asst. surg. Royle, R.A., who will proceed to Kirkee for duty with the batteries at that station.

Both officers to proceed on duty at the public expense.

No. 1,204.—The following appts. are made:—

21st Regt. N.I. or Marine Battalion.—Maj. St. J. O'N. Muter to offic. as comdt., and Maj. C. M. W.

James, as 2nd in command, during the absence of Lieut. col. S. Thacker on m.c. to Europe.

No. 1,205.—Brev. capt. E. N. Marsh, staff corps, is placed on gen. duty at the Presidency.

No. 1,206.—Under instructions from Horse Guards, Staff surg. T. Clark is directed to proceed to England, having completed a tour of foreign service.

Surg. Clark is available for duty with troops, and will, on arrival, report himself to the adjt. gen., Horse Guards, and to the director gen., army medical dept.

No. 1,207.—The undermentioned officer returned to duty, by permission of the Sec. of State for India, on Dec. 26, 1864:—

Ast. surg. A. Wakefield, med. estab.

No. 1,208.—The following order is confirmed:—

Dated Dec. 9.—By Brig. gen. Raines, C.B., directing Capt. Macleod to be attached to the 1st gr. regt. N.I., from the date of arrival of Maj. Johnstone.

Leave of absence:—

Capt. T. E. Adams, 28th foot, three mo. from date of embark. of the regtl. head qrs., pending his exch. into 45th foot.

Lieut. H. Stevenson, 6th dragoons, from Nov. 18, 1864, to March 18, 1865, on m.c.

Jan. 2.—No. 1.—The undermentioned officers returned to duty, by permission of the Secretary of State for India, on the dates specified:—

Lieut. col. W. E. Macleod, staff corps; Dec. 26.

Capt. A. T. Moore, v.c., 3rd L.C.; Dec. 12.

Jan. 3.—No. 5.—Returned to duty Dec. 26:—

Capt. A. U. H. Finch, roy. engrs.

Major J. F. Lester, staff corps.

Capt. W. T. Chitty, do.

Lieut. G. F. Blowers, do.

No. 6.—The G.O.C. No. 1,158, of Dec. 17 last, so far as it relates to Lieut. T. L. Fraser, 14th regt. N.I., is cancelled.

Jan. 4.—No. 8.—Vet. surg. C. E. Barton is attached to do duty with 3rd drag. gds. during the absence of Mr. Cheesman.

No. 9.—The following officers have leave to Bombay, m.c., preparatory to obtaining a final m.c. to Europe:—

Lieut. col. J. J. Bull, 56th regt., from Dec. 27 to Jan. 25, 1865.

Ensign F. M. Hunter, from Dec. 21 to Jan. 20, 1865.

Jan. 5.—No. 13.—Subject to confirmation by H.E. the C. in C. in India, Lieut. W. S. Nugent, 103rd foot, is app. instructor of musketry to the regt., v. Lieut. Bridges, with effect from Dec. 1.

No. 14.—Capt. T. S. Clay, 103rd foot, is app. to act as instructor of musketry to the regt. during the absence of Lieut. Nugent on sick certificate, or till further orders, with effect from Dec. 1.

No. 15.—With the sanction of Govt., Dep. Asst. Commissary D. Buchanan is pensioned in Great Britain on £74. 2s. 9½d. per annum.

No. 17.—Lieut. col. R. L. Taylor, C.B., staff corps, is placed on general duty, Bombay.

No. 18.—Lieut. W. S. Nugent, 103rd foot, acted as qrmr. to the regt. from March 12 last to Oct. 31, both dates inclusive.

Lieut. G. G. Peterkin, 16th foot, is app. assist. instructor of musketry to the wing of that regt., now en route to Neemuch, with effect from Nov. 19 last.

Leave of absence:—

3rd Dragoon Guards.—Lieut. C. A. Davies and Cornet G. R. Hodgson, from Dec. 20 to Jan. 19, to proceed to Bombay, for the purpose of appearing before the civil and military examination committee.

Jan. 7.—No. 24.—Government having directed the removal of the post guns from Rajcote, the major gen. comdg. northern div. of the army will be good enough to order the guns, equipment, &c., &c., to be disposed of.

Lieut. Walker is attached to the mountain train at Rajcote.

No. 25.—The following orders are confirmed:—

Dated Dec. 23.—By the brigadier gen. comdg. Deesa brigade, appointing Lieut. Boyd, 11th regt. N.I., to act as interpreter to the 56th foot, in the absence of a qualified officer.

Dated Dec. 30.—By the officer comdg. 1st batt. 4th foot, appointing Lieut. Burridge to act as qrmr. to the regt., during the absence of Qrmr. Connell, or until further orders.

No. 26.—Returned to duty, Jan. 3:—

Lieut. G. H. F. Codrington, staff corps.

No. 27.—Capt. W. Bannerman, 3rd regt. N.I., is placed on general duty, Ahmedabad.

No. 28.—Major J. F. Lester, staff corps, is placed on general duty, Bombay.

No. 29.—Brev. Capt. S. Fellows, 5th regt. N.I., is placed on general duty, Nusseerabad.

No. 32.—The undermentioned officers to appear before the general examination committee, to be assembled on the 10th inst., for examination in the native language, as follows:—

Hindoostanee.—Interpreter's Test.

Lieut. C. A. Davies, 3rd dragoon guards.

Cornet G. R. Hodgson, ditto.

Hindoostanee.—Staff Test.

Maj. W. L. Cahusac, cadre 11th regt. N.I.

Lieut. G. Bannister, cadre 16th regt. N.I.

Lieut. M. F. Cousmaker, gen. list, attached to sappers and miners.

Lieut. H. L. Walter, cadre 9th regt. N.I.

Marathi.

Lieut. T. L. Fraser, staff corps, qrmr. 14th regt. N.I.

Lieut. C. E. Fisher, 95th foot, asst. superint. of bazaars, Poona.

Lieut. F. W. Major, F batt. 18th brig. royal art.

No. 34.—Leave of absence:—

Capt. N. B. Thoyts, wing officer, 2nd Gren. regt. N.I., staff corps, from Jan. 3 to Feb. 3, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final certificate to Eur.

Capt. H. A. Revell, 6th drags., from Nov. 19, 1864, to May 18, 1865.

Lieuts. S. A. Smith and G. E. Blew, 17th regt. N.I., from Jan. 1 to Jan. 31, to remain at Bombay, on m.c.

Lieut. W. S. Nugent, 103rd foot, from Jan. 1 to Jan. 31, to remain at Bombay, on m.c.

Lieut. T. A. Buchanan, gen. list, attached to 6th regt. N.I., from Jan. 1 to Jan. 31, to remain at Bombay, on m.c.

Lieut. F. W. Bean, staff corps, doing duty officer 6th regt. N.I., from Jan. 1 to Jan. 31, to remain at Bombay, on m.c.

Lieut. C. E. Fisher, supnt. of bazaars, 95th foot, from Jan. 8 to Jan. 17, to Bombay for the purpose of appearing before the civil and milly. examination committee.

Lieut. F. W. Major, F batty. 18th brig. royal art., from Jan. 8 to Jan. 17, to Bombay for the purpose of appearing before the civil and milly. examination committee.

BIRTHS.

AGABEG.—At Calcutta, on the 24th Dec., the wife of Paul Agabeg, Esq., of son.

CAERNARTON.—At Meerut, on Jan. 5, the wife of Overseer Sergeant P. C. Caernarton, of a daughter.

CARRAPIET.—At Calcutta, on Dec. 26, the wife of P. Carrapiet, Esq., jun., of a son.

CORBETT.—At Nynce Tal, on the 28th Dec., the wife of Mr. C. W. Corbett, of a son.

COWELL.—At No. 35, Chowringhee-road, on Dec. 19, the wife of Herbert Cowell, Esq., of a daughter.

DE FABECK.—At Chittoor, Madras, on Nov. 15, the wife of W. F. de Fabeck, Esq., civil surgeon, of a son.

DOWELL.—At Dinapore, on Dec. 26, the wife of Major Dowell, R.A., prematurely of twins, daughters, one stillborn.

DUNDAS.—At Barrackpore, on Dec. 19, the wife of Captain C. S. Dundas, R.A., of a daughter.

DALE.—At Beach-road, on Jan. 8, the wife of R. Dale, of a daughter.

EAGLESOME.—At Nusseerabad, Dec. 18, the wife of School-master Eaglesome, 106th regt., of a son.

ENGEL.—At Paunchgunny, on Dec. 24, the wife of Mr. G. Engel, of a daughter.

FENWICK.—At Indore, Dec. 23, Mrs. Fenwick, of a son.

GODWIN.—At Furreedpore, on Dec. 21, the wife of Mr. J. G. Godwin, Assist. in charge of the Telegraph Office, at that Station, of a son and heir.

HILLS.—At Barrackpore, on Dec. 29, the wife of Archibald Hills, Esq., of Katchee Katta, of a son.

HAZELLS.—At Mazagon, Dec. 26, the wife of Mr. H. Hazells, Engineer, B. R. Co.'s Saw Mills, of a son.

HODGKINSON.—At Mehidpore, Dec. 18, the wife of Major C. Hodgkinson, H.M.'s 28th regt. N.I., of a son.

JACKSON.—At Bonn, on Nov. 11, the wife of the Hon. Louis Jackson, Esq., of a son.

KEMPT.—At Neemuch, Nov. 22, the wife of Major Kempt, 103rd Royal Bombay Fusiliers, of a son.

LANE.—At Lucknow, Dec. 26, the wife of W. Lane, Esq., of a son.

LAFOND.—At Nusseerabad, Dec. 28, the wife of Assistant Apothecary A. N. Lafond, A Battery E Brigade, Royal Horse Artillery, of a son.

MENNIE.—At Poona, Dec. 28, the wife of Assistant-Surgeon Mennie, of a son.

MACFARLAN.—At Meean Meer, Dec. 31, the wife of Major D. MacFarlan, R.H.A., of a daughter.

MARTIN.—At Cherra Poonjee, Dec. 23, the wife of R. L. Martin, Esq., H.M.'s Inspector of Schools, of a son.

MANKIEWICZ.—The wife of S. Mankiewicz, Esq., of Calcutta, of a son, on board the P. and O. steamer *Mooltan*, at Aden Harbour, Jan. 28.

NURSE.—At Grant's-buildings, Colaba, Jan. 1, the wife of Mr. J. H. Nurse, of a daughter.

OAKES.—At Jubulpore, Dec. 28, the wife of Capt. R. E. Oakes, Revenue Surveyor, of a son.

OPPENHAIM.—On the 14th Dec., the wife of Mr. S. Oppenheim, of Beera Barree Estate, of a son.

PEACOCK.—At Monghyr, on the 12th December, the wife of F. B. Peacock, Esq., C. S. of a daughter.

PEACOCK.—At Deyra Doon, N. W. P., on the 10th Dec., the wife of H. P. Peacock, Esq., of a daughter.

POULTON.—At 15, Garden Reach, on the 29th Dec., the wife of H. N. Poulton, Esq., of a daughter.

RAPER.—At Peshawur, on Dec. 25, the wife of Captain J. F. Raper, Royal Artillery, of a son.

RIVETT-CARNAC.—At Cypress Lodge, Nynce Tal, on Dec. 11th, Mrs. W. J. Rivett-Carnac, of a son.

STANLEY-CLARKE.—At Umballa, on the 24th inst., the wife of Captain Stanley-Clarke, 21st Hussars, of a daughter.

SKINNER.—At No. 26, Chowringhee, Calcutta, on the 24th Dec., the wife of John Skinner, Esq., of a son.

SMALLWOOD.—At Calcutta, on the 23rd Dec., the wife of Albert Smallwood, Esq., of a son.

SCOTT.—At Berhampore, on the 23rd Dec., the wife of Mr. A. Scott, of a daughter.

SETON-KARR.—At 8-1, Russell-street, on the 29th Dec., the wife of W. S. Seton-Karr, Esq., C. S., of a son.

SHEPHERD.—At 4, Chapel-street, Coolie Bazaar, on the 27th Dec., the wife of William Shepherd, of a son.

SMITH.—At Mhow, 3rd Jan., the wife of Acting Pipe Major John Smith, H.M.'s 72nd Highlanders, of a daughter.

WARD.—At Dehra, in the Doon, Dec. 23, the wife of George Ernest Ward, C.S., of a daughter.

WATERFIELD.—At Bareilly, Dec. 22, the wife of Lieut. H. G. Waterfield, 8th N.I., of a son.

WILLIS.—At Calcutta, Dec. 19, the wife of Mr. Richard Willis, of a daughter.

WORSLEY.—At Chuprah, Dec. 20, the wife of C. F. Worsley, Esq., C.S., of a daughter.

WINCKLERS.—At Grant Buildings, Dec. 29, the wife of Mr. Henry Wincklers, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

ELLIS-BERRY.—At St. Thomas' Cathedral, Dec. 27, Mr. James Arthur Ellis, Audit Clerk, Railway Department, Secretariate, to Miss Jane Banfield, third daughter of the late Mr. Deputy Commissary C. Berry, of the Ordnance Department.

GREGORY-GASPER.—At the Scotch Kirk, Calcutta, Jan. 3, Charles Gregory, Esq., to Miss Catherine Gasper, second daughter of the late G. M. Gasper, Esq.

JOHNSON-WILSON.—At Raepore, Nov. 30, H. S. Johnson, Esq., Lieut. 7th Regt. M.N.I., to Grace Clara, the youngest daughter of the late Major J. R. Wilson.

LIVESAY-MADGE.—At St. John's Church, Calcutta, on the 24th Dec., C. E. Livesay, Esq., of Cachar, to Miss A. O., daughter of the late J. H. Madge, Esq.

MOIR-FRASER.—At Meerut, on the 17th Dec., W. Moir, Esq., M.N., and A.M.C.S., to J. M., second daughter of the late J. R. Fraser, Esq.

PHILLIPS-SIMONS.—At Nazeerah, Upper Assam, on the 14th December, C. E., youngest son of the late T. J. Phillips, Esq., to H. J., youngest daughter of D. E. Simons, of Nazeerah.

MINTO-THOMPSON.—At Stephen's Church, Kidderpore, on the 4th Jan., W. Minto, Esq., to M. J., only daughter of J. Thompson, Esq., Garden Reach.

MILLS-WADE.—At Dinapore, St. Luke's Church, Dec. 19, Hospital steward D. T. Mills, 27th Inniskillings, to Amelia S. Wade, relict of the late Hospital steward S. C. Wade, 79th Cameron Highlanders.

THOMPSON-LANDALE.—At Bishop's College Chapel, Calcutta, Dec. 31, Henry Arthur Thompson, Esq., to Eliza Maria, only daughter of James Owen Landale, Esq., of Bhaugulpore.

TYRRELL—WAKEFIELD.—At Futehghur Church, Dec. 24, William Henry, eldest son of the late Rev. H. Tyrrell, to Julia Marie, youngest daughter of the late Lieut. Col. Wakefield, of the Indian Army.

WHITE—SHARPLEY.—At St. Paul's Church, Agra, Jan. 2, H. F. White, Esq., Civil Divisional Engineer, to Matilda Ann, daughter of the late A. Sharpley, Esq.

DEATHS.

BARLOW—At Dacca, on Dec. 28, Edward, the youngest child of Capt. W. J. P. Barlow, 2nd in command 5th Regt. N.L.I.

BURGOYNE—At Oodeypoor, on Dec. 20, Sergeant George Burgoyne, H.M.'s 106th Regt., and Assistant and Overseer, Meywar Road Department, aged 35.

BOTELHO—On Dec. 20, Mrs. Ann Botelho, Head Assistant Taxing-office, High-court.

CURRIE—At Malabar-hill, Jan. 10, W. C. Currie, son of Sir Frederick Currie, Bart., and manager of the East India Bank.

DUNDAS—At Gowalparrah, on Dec. 21, Harriet Selina, infant of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Dundas.

HAMPTON—At Upper Colaba, on Dec. 27, Mrs. Elizabeth Hampton, aged 60 years.

HODGKINSON—At Mehidpoore, Malwa, on Dec. 21, Ethel Marion, daughter of Major C. Hodgkinson, H.M.'s 28th regt. N.I., aged 2 years.

MACKINNON—At Madhpoor, in the Punjab, on Dec. 29, of small-pox, Alexander S., eldest surviving son of John Mackinnon, of Mussoorie, aged 25.

PAXTON—George A. Paxton, son of the late Stewart Paxton, Bengal Civil Service, at Pisa, Jan. 8.

PRICE—On board the s.s. *Simla*, off Galle, Nov. 19, Henry B., the infant son of Major and Mrs. Robert H. Price, 12th (the Khelat-i-Ghilzie) Regiment N.I., aged 10 months.

POWELL—At Sanchal, Darjeeling, Dec. 28, Major W. Powell, 48th Regiment.

REBEIRO—Dec. 18, at Kotree, the daughter of Mr. C. A. Rebeiro, of the Indus Steam Flotilla, aged 32 hours.

THOMPSON—Dec. 31, at Asseerghur, Emma Cecilia, the beloved wife of Major C. Thompson, I.M.'s 9th Regiment N.I., aged 37 years.

STUART—At 11, Kyd-street, Calcutta, Dec. 30, Mrs. Eliza Jane Stuart, widow of Dr. Robert Stuart.

THOMPSON—At Calcutta, Dec. 23, Joseph Brodrick Thompson, indigo planter, late of Meerghun, and formerly of Midnapore, aged 48 years.

WHITE—At No. 9, London-street, Calcutta, Dec. 24, George Stevens, the beloved son of Captain W. White and his wife Mary Anne, aged nine.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c.,
IN H.M.'S REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA.
Jan. 31.

10th Foot.—Capt. A. F. Walsh, from 62nd foot, to be capt., v. Kelly, who exch.; Jan. 31.

20th Foot.—The surname of the ensign appointed on 3rd inst. is Headech, not Headeck, as then stated.

28th Foot.—Staff surg. T. R. Williams, M.B., to be surg., v. Surg. maj. B. W. Marlow, M.D., app. to the staff; Jan. 31.

35th Foot.—Gent. cadet W. Conolly, from the Royal Military College, to be ens., by purch., v. H. B. Beetson, who retires; Jan. 31.

38th Foot.—The surname of the ensign appointed on the 24th inst. is Cuthell, not Cuthall, as then stated.

60th Foot.—Ens. C. G. Fryer to be lieut., without purch., v. E. D. O'Rorke, drowned; Oct. 6. Ens. G. Carpenter to be lieut., by purch., v. Fryer, whose prom. by purch. on Oct. 18, 1864, has been cancl.; Gent. cadet J. D. Cunyngham, from the Royal Military College, to be ens., without purch., v. Carpenter; Jan. 31.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Surg. maj. B. W. Marlow, M.D., from 28th foot, to be staff surg. maj., v. Staff surg. J. H. Koss, M.B., app. to 39th foot; Jan. 31.

BREVET.

Lieut. col. G. W. T. Rich, 71st foot, having completed the qualifying service in the rank of lieut. col., to be col., under the Royal Warrant of Oct. 14, 1858; Nov. 17, 1863.

Capt. T. G. Kennedy, Bengal Staff Corps, to be maj.; Jan. 19, 1864.

Paymaster H. L. de la Chaumette, 97th foot, to have the hon. rank of capt.; Aug. 8.

Feb. 7.

Royal Artillery.—The appt. of Asst. surg. A. C. M'Tavish, which appeared in the *Gazette* of Sept. 20, 1864, has been cancl.

18th Foot.—Lieut. W. A. Le Mottée to be capt., by purch., v. F. Fearney, who retires; Ens. J. G. Butts to be lieut., by purch., v. Le Mottée; Ens. J. C. Fife, from 76th foot, to be ens., v. Butts.

20th Foot.—Capt. G. E. Francis to be maj., without purch., v. G. W. Baldwin, murdered in Japan; Lieut. H. F. G. Webster to be capt., without purch., v. Francis; Ens. C. T. Doorly to be lieut., without purch., v. Webster; Ens. H. H. Leeming to be lieut., without purch., v. R. N. Bird, murdered in Japan; Ens. W. R. L. Brackenbury, from 100th foot, to be ens., v. Doorly; Ens. W. F. Rudman, from the Military Train, to be ens., v. Leeming.

48th Foot.—Surg. G. A. F. Shelton, M.B., having completed 20 years' full-pay service, to be surg. maj., under the Royal Warrant of Oct. 1, 1858.

55th Foot.—Lieut. F. Barnston to be adjt., v. Lieut. O. S. Delano-Osborne, prom.

60th Foot.—Ens. R. C. Robinson to be lieut., by purch., v. C. F. Faber, who retires; Gent. cadet C. L. Allan, from the Royal Military College, to be ens., by purch., v. Robinson.

71st Foot.—Staff surg. maj. W. Barrett, M.B., to be surg., v. W. Simpson, M.B., dec.

76th Foot.—Gent. cadet A. A. R. Logan, from the Royal Military College, to be ens., by purch., v. J. C. Fife, transf. to 18th foot.

Rifle Brigade.—The surname of the ensign app. on the 17th ult. is Lyttelton, and not Lyttleton, as then stated.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Staff surg. W. Barrett, M.B., having completed 20 years' full-pay service, to be staff surg. major, under the Royal Warrant of Oct. 1, 1858.

Asst. surg. G. A. Hutton, supernumerary in the 60th foot, to be staff asst. surg., v. T. S. Barrow, M.D., app. to the 23rd foot.

The undermentioned acting asst. surgeons have ceased to do duty, there being no longer occasion for their services:—

W. E. Bower, J. G. Cambell, P. Lea, J. Craven, F. P. Beamish, M.D., R. E. Hogan, T. Hunt, R. P. Gelston, W. Haynes, M.D., T. P. Tyrrell, J. T. B. Lawrie, M.D., R. Wallace, W. K. Brock, J. R. Roe, E. A. Keogh, M.D., J. B. Gaffney, W. Durrant, J. A. Gaven, R. Fitzgerald, A. Mulcahy, W. F. Fenton, W. Adams.

BREVET.

Lieut. gen. Sir W. Mansfield, K.C.B., to have the local rank of general in the East Indies.

Maj. gen. Sir R. Napier, K.C.B., to have the local rank of lieut. general in the East Indies.

Lieut. col. and brev. col. F. Adams, C.B., 28th foot, to have the temp. rank of brigadier general, while in command of a brigade.

Capt. F. C. Griffin, R.A., to be major.

Qrmr. J. Menzies, of a depot battalion, who retires upon half-pay, to have the honorary rank of captain.

The New Passage Warrant.

The following regulations in regard to passages and passage allowances have been issued:—

Officers, civil and military, who, being entitled to passages at the public expense, shall be ordered to or from foreign stations and her Majesty's East Indian possessions shall be provided with passages in a contract packet, in a Government vessel, or in a vessel wholly or partly engaged by a public department, and where they cannot be so accommodated will receive passage allowances at the rates hereinafter prescribed, or at such rates as may from time to time be established. Officers are entitled to passages at the public expense:—

1. If proceeding to serve upon the general, medical, or civil staff of a foreign station, or returning therefrom in consequence of reduction or removal; or if proceeding with or upon the first appointment of the general officer to whose personal staff they belong, or returning in consequence of such general officer ceasing to hold his appointment.

2. If attached to and ordered to proceed with their regiments, or in charge of detachments of their regiments.

3. If proceeding to fill up vacancies occasioned by death, by promotion, by augmentation, by resignation, by dismissal, or by the exchange, removal, or retirement of officers who have returned home on account of ill health, who have been ordered home on duty, or who have served two years at the depots of their regiments.

4. If ordered to proceed upon courts-martial, or upon any other special public duty, upon which their presence is considered absolutely necessary, or

if returning after the performance of such public duty.

5. If returning home in consequence of regular regimental promotion, of promotion to the rank of general officer, of promotion under the Warrant of 6th October, 1854, of being placed on retired full pay under the Warrant of 14th October, 1858, or on half-pay under the Warrants of 17th December, 1855, and 2nd December, 1857, or of promotion to the medical staff, or promotion in the civil branches of the Army.

6. If ordered home to undergo instruction at the Staff College or School of Musketry, to join the regimental depots of their regiments in their regular tour of duty, and actually joining such depots without obtaining previous leave of absence.

7. If returning home on leave on account of ill-health upon the report and recommendation of a medical board, or if returning to their stations after the expiration of such leave.

8. The officer commanding at a foreign station on being satisfied of the inability of an officer removed from or dismissed the service for misconduct, to provide his own passage, may use his discretion in ordering a passage for him at the public expense, a report of every such case being made to the Secretary of State for War.

9. An officer, who on the expiration of his leave of absence on private affairs, is ordered to do duty with detachments, will be allowed cabin accommodation, paying only the usual contribution for messing.

10. An officer, who when at home on leave of absence on his private affairs, shall subsequently do duty for two years with the regimental depot, shall, when ordered to rejoin his regiment, be allowed a passage at the public expense.

11. If belonging to a colonial corps, and returning home on leave of absence on their private affairs, and if returning to their stations after the expiration of such leave, provided they shall have previously completed seven years of foreign service with their regiments.

Officers are not entitled to passages at the public expense: If returning home on resignation, or in consequence of removal for misconduct or dismissal by the sentence of court-martial, except as specified in clause No. 8. If exchanging with other officers for their mutual convenience, if coming home on their private affairs, or if returning to their stations on the expiration of their leave of absence upon private affairs. Officers returning home on their private affairs will be required to sign the declaration prescribed by the regulations, and will, if when in this country they exchange or retire from the service, be liable to pay the expense of their successors' passages to the stations from whence they have returned. Officers retiring from the service by the sale of their commissions will, unless they have served twenty-five years on full pay, be liable to the expense of their successors' passages. When an officer is provided with a passage on board a ship of war, troop-ship, transport, freight ship, contract steam-vessel, or when a field-officer is accommodated at the captain's table on board a ship of war, and is maintained while on board with a proper mess at the public expense, he will be liable, on account thereof, to the following deductions by the Secretary of State for War from his regimental or staff pay:—If a general officer, 8s. a day. If under the rank of a general officer, 3s. 6d. a day; but when wine and beer are not included in the mess, and it is so stated on the messing certificate, the daily contribution required will be 2s. 6d. only. The officer will be further liable to a deduction of 9d. a day for each of his civil servants actually embarked with him and victualled at the public expense. By the naval regulations, general officers, field officers on the staff, colonels, and lieutenant-colonels are to be entertained at the table of the captain or commander; majors not on the staff, and officers of the army below the rank of field officers, at lieutenants' mess. If, however, staff field officers are embarked with their families, they will be allowed the option of messing either at the captain's table or the lieutenants' mess. Officers of the civil branches of the army should be entertained according to relative rank. When an officer is provided with a passage to or from a foreign station on board any vessel hired, freighted, or chartered by or on account of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, the charter party or contract will prescribe that a suitable table shall be provided by the master of such vessel for the wife, children, and female servants of such officer who may be ordered on board by the said Lords Commissioners, or by other competent authority.

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WEDNESDAY, February 8, 1865.

THE NEW FINANCE MINISTER.

A SUCCESSOR to Sir Charles Trevelyan, as Finance Minister of India, has been found in the person of Mr. William Nathaniel Massey, member for Salford. The selection thus made is of a negative character. If very little can be said against it, quite as little can be said in its favour. It is urged, indeed, that Mr. Massey is free from Indian traditions and prejudices, but is he equally free from the restless and fanciful empiricism of the present day? It is well not to be hampered by mere routine, or misled by hereditary dogmas; but neither is it amiss to possess some special acquaintance with the department which one is suddenly called upon to guide and administer,—for the preconceived conclusions of ignorance are certainly not less dangerous than the prejudices of an ancient experience. There is this much, however, to be said in favour of Mr. Massey, that he is a man, not only of liberal views, but also of a grave and thoughtful frame of mind, that his administrative abilities are very considerable, and that his political and historical knowledge is far beyond the average. His history of "England under George III." is a work of no ordinary merit, and one that placed him in a conspicuous position among the best writers of the day. For two or three years he held the onerous post of Under-Secretary of State for the Home Department, and for some time past he has officiated as Chairman of Committees of the House of Commons in a manner to command the respect of all parties. The duties he will be called upon to fulfil in his new capacity are, in fact, far more of an administrative than a financial character. The organization of a financial system for India commenced by Mr. Wilson was successfully prosecuted by Mr. Laing, and has since been completed under Sir Charles Trevelyan's incumbency by Messrs. Forster and Whiffin. Sir Charles himself appears to have imagined that his own proper function was that of a drag on the wheels of the state carriage,

and to this no objection could have been made, had he simply confined himself to preventing a too rapid progress down hill. Unfortunately, he also checked all advance along the straight and level road of regular progress, and became an insuperable obstacle to every attempt to surmount an ascent. Not that we are of those who find fault with the Government for not having afforded greater encouragement to the cultivation of cotton. In that respect we believe that everything has been done that could reasonably be expected. The only permanent and truly advantageous encouragement that can be given to any branch of industry must come from the purchasers of that particular kind of produce. All other help must be of a spasmodic and fitful nature, and is likely, in the long run, to work quite as much harm as good to the producer. But there is one point on which we trust to find Mr. Massey entertaining more sound and enlightened views than his predecessor, and that is with regard to the extension of the money order system throughout the length and breadth of Hindostan. Sir Charles, it is well known, was opposed to the establishment of that great convenience even in these islands, and has never disguised his unfavourable opinion of its introduction into India. For all that, it has answered admirably thus far, and only needs further development to become a most valuable boon to the commercial community, native as well as European.

PORT CANNING.

THE advocates of the Mutlah River scheme have, at least, the doubtful merit of being earnest in season and out of season. A memorial, signed by fifty-nine mercantile firms in Calcutta, has been presented to the Viceroy through a deputation of thirty gentlemen, headed by Mr. Kilburn, praying his Excellency to give some substantial aid towards the completion of the Port of Canning. The chief argument adduced by these gentlemen appears to have been that the Government is already pledged to pay £20,000 a-year to the shareholders of the hitherto useless railway which connects Calcutta with the river Mutlah, and that this annual burden might be compounded for by an immediate outlay of fifty or sixty thousand pounds. The Hooghly, they coolly affirm, in direct contradiction to Mr. Leonard's Report, is becoming year by year less accessible to ships of heavy tonnage, whereas the Mutlah is a broad, deep, noble stream, up or down which the largest ships may sail in perfect safety in any state of the tides and at all hours of the day or night, when not too dark. Wharves and jetties will there be provided, alongside of which the state-liest ships will load, or unload, their cargoes without damage to the goods, and

without loss of human life. It is true the place enjoys an evil reputation so far as its healthiness is concerned, but insalubrity alone is no vital objection, or else how should Akyab, or Calcutta itself, have risen to importance? Besides, by the clearance of the surrounding jungles, and the cultivation of the ground with rice, the atmosphere has become greatly improved, and, to a certain extent, purified from its tendency to malaria. The disastrous results of the late cyclone, they further allege, prove the unfitness of Calcutta to serve the purposes of a large and crowded port, but they omit to explain how these fearful consequences would have been avoided had the hurricane burst over Port Canning, when frequented by an equal amount of shipping. Now, it is all very well to accuse the Government of apathy, but what have the merchants themselves been doing all these decades of years, during which the trade of Calcutta has been so rapidly increasing? Much inestimable time has been lost since the project was first started of building wharves along the banks of the Hooghly, from the Armenian Ghat to below Fort William, but as yet nothing has been done beyond the institution of half-a-dozen desperate squabbles among the members of the Chamber of Commerce. The promoters of the Mutlah scheme themselves have accomplished very little more than this, though they have certainly lost no opportunity of blowing their own trumpet and puffing the matchless virtues of their embryo port. The town, named after Lord Canning, consists of one two-storied house, the residence of the unfortunate magistrate, the railway station, a score or two of native huts, a wooden jetty, and numberless holes filled with stagnant water. The soil is excessively saline, and for miles in every direction there is nothing to be seen but a low scrub, until quite recently the haunt of tigers. On paper, indeed, the town presents as inviting an aspect as the celebrated plan of Eden which proved so irresistibly tempting to Martin Chuzzlewit. Churches, chapels, spacious squares, a theatre, pleasure grounds—nothing, in short, was omitted, save only a cemetery, and that happened to be the very thing that was first needed. The station master, being one day found with his feet in the air, and his head firmly embedded in the mud in one of the delightful holes formed by the natives when constructing their wretched hovels of mud, it was discovered that there was no consecrated ground to bury him in, and the corpse had to be conveyed to Calcutta. It is not Canningtown, assuredly, that is ever destined to supplant the present capital of British India, nor will the Mutlah divert any appreciable proportion of the trade of the Hooghly. And it is distinctly shown in Mr. Leonard's report that the navigation of that river has

not seriously deteriorated of late years, while, on the other hand, a partial experiment to clear the channel by dredging has proved eminently successful. The greatest draught allowed at the end of last century for ships leaving Calcutta was 17 feet, and for ships putting out to sea 18½ feet, whereas now a draught of 20 to 24 feet is no uncommon event, and in 1857 H.M.'s ship *Simoom* was taken out to sea with a draught of 27 feet. A very great change, too, has taken place during the last thirty years in the character of the shipping frequenting this port. In 1835 the average tonnage was only 260 tons, while in 1863 it was 770 tons, and the total tonnage had increased from 400,000 tons in 1852-53 to 700,000 tons, and yet in 1863 only three ships were lost against four in 1835. These figures speak for themselves, and explode the fallacy of the dredging up of the Hooghly, or rather the filling up of its channels. What is really wanted is wet docks at Kidderpore, and quays or wharves lining the river bank from that point to the Armenian Ghat. Sir John Lawrence himself informed the Port Canning deputation that the future action of the Government would greatly depend upon the official report on the proposed wet docks and wharves. His Excellency further stated that for the moment the hands of the Government were tied, and that no material assistance must be expected. The public expenditure was already too great—a famine was impending in the North-West Provinces and in the Deccan—and there was the war with Bhootan; while, on the other hand, the income-tax was about to expire, and thus the revenue would be diminished simultaneously with an augmented outlay. But, as good wine needs no bush, neither should the Mutlah scheme, if really feasible, require the aid of Government to insure its success. Surely, if £60,000 will suffice for its completion, there can be no difficulty in raising so small a sum among the "merchant princes" and wealthy tradesmen of Calcutta.

FORESHADOWINGS.

To kick at a dead lion is a very safe if not a particularly magnanimous proceeding, and certainly not more profitable than the conversion of windmills into giants for the sake of running a tilt at them. And yet for some weeks past this has been the favourite pastime of the leading journal in this country, though it may well be with some ulterior and definite object in view. Once upon a time it was the fashion to belaud the old East India Company as the noblest exponent of the indomitable energy, enterprise, and perseverance of the Anglo-Saxon character. It had subdued by force of arms a vast and populous empire, which it afterwards

governed with justice and moderation. But all that is now changed, and whatever goes amiss in India is unhesitatingly ascribed to the effete traditions of the old system. It is still admitted that the administration of the country was lenient and impartial, but it is seriously urged that nothing was done to enlighten the natives, or to aid their progress in the knowledge of the useful arts or in the acquisition of wealth, and that the natural resources of the land were entirely neglected. The accusation is wholly unfounded. It was under the East India Company's Government that the railway and the telegraph were introduced; that the Ganges Canal was constructed and opened; that the Grand Trunk-road from Calcutta to Lahore was laid out and completed; that tea plantations were formed on the lower spurs of the Himalayas; that the geological survey was instituted; that experiments in the cultivation of American cotton were attempted; that a cheap and uniform postal rate was successfully inaugurated; and that colleges and schools were founded and endowed for the especial purpose of placing all the arts and sciences of the West within easy reach of our Eastern fellow-subjects. It is true, indeed, that an onerous debt was incurred through the oft-recurring necessity of having recourse to arms, but no small portion of this debt must be traced to the Afghan and China wars, which originated with the Imperial Government, and were carried on in support of an Imperial policy. That the native armies in the already olden time were too large and too highly favoured has been proved beyond all dispute, but it cannot be conceded that civilians of the present day "sigh in private for the privileges of a time when the Indian armies were their own," for that time never existed; and it is notorious that, instead of looking upon the native army as a field for the exercise of patronage, civilians were far more disposed to murmur at the fat appointments that were filched from their own branch of the public service and bestowed upon military men. We are assured, however, that their jealousy was directed only against the Royal troops—from whom they had nothing to apprehend—and that this feeling, aggravated almost to an involuntary antipathy, still subsists to a very injurious extent. The European soldiery, it is said, complain that the Government does not care for them, is not solicitous for their welfare, does not value their health and comfort, and keeps them in the hot, dry, wearisome plains to watch the native levies, when it would be far pleasanter to be stationed in the hills and have nothing to do, till some fine day their communications with the sea were cut off by a general rising of the people, and nothing left for them but to

reconquer India, beginning from the apex instead of the base of the pyramid. It cannot, of course, be denied that service in India is unpopular with European troops; but the real fact is that the men are becoming as much spoiled and pampered as were the Company's sepoy, and the officers are disgusted in having to act in the capacity of dry nurses. Then is it not a contradiction to be told in almost the same breath that a native army is worse than useless, and yet that native troops are indispensable for expeditions beyond the mountain frontiers to the north-west or the north-east? If European soldiers have not been sent to act against the Bhootiahs, may not this be simply attributed to a very reasonable reluctance to sacrifice such costly materials on such an insignificant service? The country, truly, is rugged and difficult, and there would be much difficulty in transporting sufficient supplies of animal food for beef-devouring Highlanders; but the enemy is armed chiefly with bows and arrows, and only occasionally with an old flint musket. With such a foe native troops may be quite good enough to cope, but that by no means proves that they are more suitable than Europeans. At the same time it cannot be denied that the armed force now on foot in India is much greater than is at all expedient from either a military or a financial point of view. It is ridiculous to suppose that it can be necessary to maintain 120,000 armed and disciplined policemen in the single Presidency of Bengal, in addition to 70,000 sepoy. And if the European contingent is about to be reduced, it is plain that this step must be preceded by a corresponding reduction of the native levies. If so large a police force be judged requisite, at least deprive them of their fire-arms, with the exception, perhaps, of a small body of mounted police who might be furnished with carbines; and as for the Sepoy, a strength of 50,000 men is ample for any duty on which they are ever likely to be employed. Some such measures are probably in contemplation, for on no other hypothesis can we account for the reiterated attacks on the existing state of things that have lately appeared in the columns of the *Times*. Possessed, through its wondrous and dangerous influence, of a foreshadowing of most innovations that are about to be introduced, it usually affects to originate such changes by a series of articles that, in truth, precede action, but come long after counsel. It is as if a weathercock were to ape the functions of Æolus, or as if a raft floating down the Ganges pretended to guide and impel the mighty stream on whose surface it was borne along. That the *Times* is a tolerably correct exponent of public opinion, whether well founded or erroneous, may not be gainsaid; neither

can it be disputed that its foreknowledge of official movements is generally sound and accurate. For this reason we look forward not only to a large reduction of the European and native armies in India, but also to a reorganisation of the Civil Service. These constant sneers at its alleged incapacity, these exaggerated statements of its unpopularity and obstructiveness, are only to be explained by some embryo intention on the part of the present ministry to do away with the Covenanted Service, and to send out men direct from England to hold the higher offices, assisted by permanent secretaries acquainted with the language and other characteristic peculiarities of the people. Such an experiment, though perilous, might perchance turn out successful.

DIVORCE COURT.—FEB. 2. HUDSON V. HUDSON AND BARROW.

Dr. Spinks and Mr. Wrenfordsley appeared for the petitioner.

The petitioner, who was an artist at Calcutta, married the respondent at that place in November, 1856. They lived happily together for several years, and the respondent then formed an improper intimacy with Mr. Frank Barrow, a solicitor. The respondent and co-respondent have since lived together in England.

Decree nisi, with costs against the co-respondent.

FEBRUARY 3. HOLLINGS V. HOLLINGS.

Mr. Field, Q.C., and Dr. Swabey, appeared for the petitioner; Dr. Tristram for the respondent, who had entered an appearance, but had filed no answer.

The petitioner, who was formerly in the Indian Civil Service, was staying at Hobart Town, in Tasmania, in 1855, on leave of absence, and in the month of June in that year he there married a lady named Addison, the widow of a captain in the merchant service. She had four children and considerable property. In September, 1855, Mr. Hollings returned to India, in order to entitle himself to his pension, leaving his wife at Hobart Town. They corresponded on affectionate terms, and in the course of a year or two she removed from Hobart Town, and went to live at Illawarra, in New South Wales. She has since resided in England. Mr. Hollings remained in India until 1861. It was proved that while he was absent the respondent had given birth to two children—one born in January, 1857, and the other in April, 1859. He had been unable to discover their father, and the Court had dispensed with a co-respondent.

Decree nisi granted.

MISCELLANEOUS.

DOLLARS FOR CHINA.—According to the *London and China Telegraph*, the Secretary of State has decided that the new British dollar for China shall have a milled, and not a lettered edge. It is found that to place a lettered edge upon the dollar would require a complicated and expensive addition to the coining presses, which would be very difficult to work and liable to disorder. At present it is uncertain whether any of the dollars will be coined here for shipment. Captain Kinder and staff will most probably leave England by the mail, and arrive at Hong Kong about the end of June.

DR. HUGH FALCONER.—On the last day of January there died in London a man of science who was little known to the public, but who had made a great reputation for himself in the various scientific societies of London. He died at the age of fifty-five, and twenty of the most active of these years were spent in India in the service of the East India Company. It is this absence from England that has chiefly retarded his public reputation. During the few years in which he has been at home he quickly became known as the possessor of one of the most scientific intellects in England. His chief field of study was palaeontology, but he was also favourably known as a student of botany, and indeed generally of natural history. His scientific memory was prodigious, and he had such stores of knowledge at command that men of science in London are just now speaking of his loss as if with him had perished a great treasure of information which is not likely to be soon amassed again. From this enormous knowledge of his great things were expected; but he was cautious to a fault; never liked to commit himself to an opinion until he was perfectly sure of it; and he has died in the fulness of his power, before his race was run. He was born at Forbes, in the north of Scotland; he studied successively at the Universities of Aberdeen and Edinburgh; and went out to India in 1830. His two official appointments there, in which he became best known, were those of superintendent to the Botanic Gardens at Saharunpore, in succession to Dr. Royle, and afterwards of those at Calcutta. It was to information supplied by him that we owe the cultivation of tein in the district of Assam. It was through his exertions also that the Cinchona plant has been introduced into India. The South American supply of quinine threatened failure through bad management. He suggested the cultivation of the plant in India, and the result has been completely successful. But beyond this he made great discoveries of fossils in India, and the results of his researches, arranged by himself, is a splendid gallery of specimens in the British Museum, the like of which is not to be found in any other collection in the world. He has been one of the chief instigators and directors of the inquiries which have been recently raised as to the antiquity of man. Many of the facts bearing on the question, such as those connected with flint implements, have been discovered either by him or by friends whom he urged to this or that course of investigation. About ten years ago he returned from India with shattered health, and he has died before his time. All those who had any knowledge of him will deeply feel his loss.—*Times*.

THE CALCUTTA AND CHINA MAILS.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamship *Nyanza*, Captain J. Weeks, arrived at Southampton at 4 P.M. on the 1st inst., bringing the heavy portion of these mails, sixty-one passengers, 2750 in specie, 1,285 bales of silk, 244 bales of goats' hair, twenty-five casks of wine, and 110 packages of sundries. Among the passengers are Commander Heathcote, Mr. Smyth, Mr. Benyon, Mr. and Mrs. Horte, Mr. M. Brytan, and Mr. Passnett. The *Nyanza* left Alexandria on the 19th of Jan., Malta, the 23rd, and Gibraltar, the 27th. In the Mediterranean and along the coast of Portugal she had fine weather and moderate breezes; across the Bay of Biscay fresh gales and high seas; and in the Channel moderate breezes and fine weather. Our usual advices and files of papers from Gibraltar have not come to hand by this steamer.

THE ASIATIC BANKING COMPANY have notified their intention to increase their paid-up capital from £500,000 to £1,000,000, by an issue of 25,000 new shares of £20 each, of which 5,000 are to be offered in London, at a premium of £15. The deposits held by this bank exceed £3,000,000, and in Bombay the existing shares are quoted £35 premium.

WRECK OF THE "ASSAYE."—On Monday, Jan. 30, telegrams were received in the City announcing a very disastrous shipwreck on the extreme portion of the south coast of Ireland, in Ross Bay, near Galley Head, between Cape Clear and the old Head of Kinsale. The unfortunate vessel was a fine large teak-built ship, called the *Assaye*, originally constructed as a screw steam frigate for the East India Company. She was launched at Bombay in 1856, and was of more than 1,500 tons burden. The *Assaye* left Bombay, with a most valuable cargo of East India produce, for Liverpool in the course of last October, and nothing was heard until the receipt of the telegram, intimating that the ship had been cast on the rocks in Ross Bay early that (Monday) morning, and that the commander had been drowned in endeavouring to reach the shore. The first despatch left some hope that the cargo would be saved, but a subsequent telegram announced that the ship had gone to pieces. Notwithstanding the second report, a hope is still entertained that the statement of her breaking up is premature, as she was a very strong-built ship. The cargo comprised 6,254 bales of cotton, 556 bales of wool, 200 bales of jute, 99 tons of linseed, and other merchandise. The ship was valued at £40,000. Both vessel and cargo were largely insured at Lloyd's and in the different marine insurance-offices in London, Liverpool, and Glasgow. The *Assaye* was the property of Messrs. D. Bushore and Co., of Liverpool.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, Jan. 27.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamship *Ripon*, Captain J. M. Rogers, sailed hence to-day for Gibraltar, Malta, and Alexandria, with the Bombay mails, a full cargo, and 349 boxes of specie, jewelry, &c., value £104,490, consigned as follows:—For Gibraltar, gold coin, £128. For Alexandria, silver coin, £200. For Bombay, gold coin, £4,960; bar silver, £91,740; silver coin, £5,500; watches, jewelry, &c., £1,962. The *Ripon* takes out thirty-six first and seventeen second-class passengers, and twenty-five proceed by the corresponding steamer from Marseilles. Among them are Surgeon Dunwoodie, for Malta; Captain and Mrs. T. C. Davidson, Major Crichton, C.B., Captain Mathew, Lieutenant E. P. Alleyne, Lieutenant-colonel Prettijohn, Major Brown, Rev. Mr. Holland, Captain R. Curling, Lord John Hay, and Captain Ransfield, for Bombay.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, Feb. 4.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's screw steamship *Pera*, Captain T. Jamieson, sailed to-day for Gibraltar, Malta, and Alexandria, with the Calcutta and China mails, a full cargo, and specie, jewelry, &c., value £96,233. 12s.—viz.:—For Galle, gold coin, £215; watches, £66. For Madras, gold coin, £1,219. 10s.; silver coin, £37. 7s.; bar silver, £15,600; gold thread, watches, &c., £1,590. 5s. For Calcutta, gold coin, £48. 10s.; jewelry, £1,084. For Singapore, dollars, £24,620. For Hong Kong, dollars, £44,620; jewelry and watches, £2,329. For Shanghai, dollars, £3,800; bar silver, £570; jewelry, £134. The *Pera* takes out 55 first and 20 second-class passengers, and 40 proceed by the corresponding steamer from Marseilles, making a total of 115. Among them are Captain Lock, and Captain Stillman, Gibraltar; Commander H. Benson, Captain F. Cole, Sub-Lieutenant R. W. Evans, R.N., and Dr. M. Rodgers, for Malta; the Rev. J. Stoughton and the Rev. J. Spence, for Alexandria; Captain Hervey and Surgeon W. Jeives, for Ceylon; Captain Stuart, the Rev. Mr. Anderson, Captain Oakes, Major G. and Mrs. Baldock, and Lieutenant Briggs, for Madras; Captain Whiteside, Major Brownlow, R.E., Major J. Leven, the Rev. W. M'Farlane, and Surgeon W. Mills, for Calcutta, &c.

THE BRITISH INDIAN TEA COMPANY have declared a dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum.

BILLS ON INDIA.—The biddings for £300,000 in bills on India took place at the Bank of England on Wednesday, Feb. 1. The proportions allotted were—to Calcutta, £162,700; to Bombay, £120,000; and to Madras, £22,200. The minimum price was as before, 1s. 11½d. on Calcutta and Madras, and 1s. 11¾d. on Bombay. Tenders on Calcutta and Madras at 1s. 11¾d. will receive about 27 per cent., and on Bombay at 1s. 11¾d., about 41 per cent. All above these prices in full. These results show a further diminution in the demand for means of remittance.

INDIAN PHOTOGRAPHS.—Early in the summer the publication of a magnificent series of photographs, of the greatest interest in an ethnographical sense, will be commenced under the auspices of the Indian Government. This will be comprised in five folio volumes, containing in the aggregate 400 photographs of the people of India in all their important races and castes, their costumes, manners, and customs, their modes of living and manufacturing processes, from that of the man and his craft which are concerned in the humblest trades, to those who practise the immemorial skill which produces magnificent shawls and kincobs of cloth of gold or silver. Here we have the native goldsmith at work, spinning metal into filigree; there the embroiderer, there the smith, the potter, the cook, the weaver, the carpenter, &c. Dr. Forbes Watson and Mr. Kaye have this work in charge, and will contribute its appropriate text.—*Athenæum*.

THE HONG KONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY.—The last mail has brought the account of the lighting up of Hong Kong with gas on the 3rd of Dec. last. The company have had to contend with difficulties of a local character and of climate which have delayed this event beyond their expectations; but it is now brought to a most successful issue, without a single accident or hitch of any kind. The brilliancy of the gas made from Australian coal, delivered at a moderate price at the company's own wharf, has caused the greatest surprise to the Chinese and satisfaction to the Europeans. The orders for fittings were coming in from both classes much faster than the agents could supply them, and, with a population now exceeding 120,000, and with twelve hours of dark out of the twenty-four all the year round, the demand will doubtless be very great. The Governor had strongly expressed his entire satisfaction with the substantial manner in which all the works had been carried out, and himself had charged the first retort. The effect of the lighting up of the Queen's Theatre and other public buildings had been highly appreciated by their officials and by the public. The European labourers were returning home, the manager now depending on his staff of well-trained Chinamen.

TELEGRAPH TO INDIA COMPANY.—The report states that they have received the half-yearly payment of £1,250 from the Telegraph Construction and Maintenance Company, for the rental of the company's line in Egypt, to 31st December, 1864, and recommend that a dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, free of income-tax, be paid to the shareholders for the half-year ending the 31st December, 1864, payable on and after the 15th February.

SCOTTISH ASSAM TEA COMPANY.—A prospectus has been issued of the Scottish Assam Tea Company, with a capital of £100,000, in shares of £10. The proposal is to purchase an estate of 4,000 acres (of which 500 have been brought under cultivation) in the Jorehaut district, the price agreed upon being £52,000, of which £10,000 is to be in shares and the remainder in cash.

TELEGRAPH BETWEEN BAGDAD AND BOMBAY.—Intelligence from Constantinople dated Feb. 1 states that telegraphic communication between Bagdad and India is now open. The first telegram was sent by the Governor-general of Bagdad to the Governor of Bombay on the evening of the 29th ult.

OPENINGS FOR ENTERPRISE IN CEYLON.—This colony has been eminently favoured in being enabled to obtain a higher remuneration for her staples, against a given expenditure of capital and labour, than is, perhaps, possible in any other country. The limited liability companies established last year in London, for purchasing various coffee estates, bringing them under one management, and extending the area of cultivation, cannot fail, if judiciously conducted, to secure high dividends for their shareholders, judging by the large returns to individual proprietors. We have reason to know that arrangements are being made for additional combinations, bringing together adjacent plantations. There are millions of acres of fine forest land awaiting the enterprise of additional companies—land suitable for the cultivation not only of coffee, but spices, indigo, and other valuable products. A Ceylon dye-wood or plumbago company, with practical managers, would give high returns, and an additional opening for good profits would be found in the extraction of cocoa-nut oil. Had the resources of this island been better known, more capital would have been turned upon it. Individual fortunes are there proverbially acquired with rapidity, yet such is the want of monied accommodation in operations connected with its trade, that from 10 to 12 per cent. discount is charged by the local banks on good mercantile bills, whilst in the Colombo bazaar it is no less than 25 per cent.; and this in a colony which can obtain returns from Madras and Bombay in two weeks' time, and which, within the last four years, has received £12,000,000 in specie from the mints of India and the gold-fields of Australia. The amount of foreign bills negotiated at Colombo reaches £4,000,000 per annum. The local circulation of the Oriental Bank Corporation and Chartered Mercantile Bank of Ceylon, which are authorised to issue notes against a reserve of cash equal to one-half of their weekly average circulation, exceeds £300,000, and the floating and permanent balances of customers of these institutions £1,250,000.—*Money Market Review*, Feb. 4.

EASTERN BENGAL JUTE MANUFACTURING COMPANY.—At the meeting held on the 30th January the report was adopted, and a dividend to the 31st December last was declared at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 26. Wellington, Rangoon.—28. Mutlah, Mauritius; Queen of Ava, Madras.—30. Acastus, Madras; Earl Dalhousie, Calcutta.—31. Sirling Castle, Calcutta; Goiconda, Penang; War Cloud, Madras; Crescent, Mouline, Polar Star, Calcutta; Challenge, Calcutta; Royal Arthur, Calcutta; Ida, Calcutta.—Feb. 1. Gyra Castle, Japan; Euretta, Bombay; Adineer, Mauritius; Caledon, Calcutta; Channel Queen, Colombo.—2. Coringa, Bombay; Mangondy, Calcutta; Jade of Cherbourg, Manilla; Norman Morrison, Cebu; Tanager, Cebu; Magnolia, Bombay; James Seddon, Madras.—3. Frederick, Manila; Mary Rogerson, Madras; Canada, Calcutta.—4. Constantine, Tattien; Lesbia, Calcutta; Zeckit, Madras; Seaforth, Manila.—6. Malvina Vidal, Mauritius; Juno, Singapore.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 25. Star of Scotia, Calcutta; Francis, Colombo; Dharwar, Bombay; Silver Craig, Batavia; Jenny, Singapore.—28. Peveril of the Peak, Madras; Velocity, Calcutta.—Feb. 2. New Era, Madras; Disack, Galle.—3. Branca, Calcutta.—4. Jessie Beazley, Singapore; Raglan, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Overland Route, Jan. 27.—For BOMBAY.—Capt. and Mrs. Davidson, Maj. Crichton, Mr. F. Steele, Mr. G. McLod, Mrs. Hare, Capt. Mathew, Lieut. Alleyne, Lieut. Col. Priddy, John, Mr. J. H. Haydon, Mrs. Oldersham, Mr. A. Barclay, Mr. H. L. Cameron, Col. Smythe, Mr. A. Moorhouse, Maj. Brown, Mr. J. M. Grey, Mr. C. F. Devonshire, Mr. E. W. Doyle, Capt. Curing, Mr. C. F. Bury, Mr. R. W. Alison, Mr. W. Semnett. From MARSEILLES.—Mr. A. Grey, Mr. Brereton and friend, Mr. W. Morrison, Mr. Jamsetjee Pholjee, Mr. Heinz, Mr. and Mrs. Curran, Mrs. and Miss Nicholson. From SEZ.—Mr. and Mrs. Bell, Mr. Nairne. For MALTA from MARSEILLES.—Col. Donovan.

Per Messageries Impériales str. Peluse, Jan. 19, from MARSEILLES.—Capt. H. R. O'borne, Calcutta; Capt. R. G. Lewis, Madras; Mr. and Mrs. R. Hall, Madras; T. Paton, Esq., Calcutta; Maj. Gibbs, Calcutta; Mr. E. Cooke, Galle; Mrs. Bennett and child, Galle; Mrs. Bacon and two children, Galle; F. Dersonza, Madras; P. Currie, Calcutta; Mr. Goldsmith, Madras; Mr. and Mrs. Alexander and two children, Madras; Mr. J. Hambridge, Calcutta.

Per Overland Route, Feb. 4, per P. and O. Co.'s str. Fern.			
Passengers.	From	For	
Mr. and Mrs. R. Enaden	... Marseilles	... Hong Kong	
Capt. Oakes	... "	... Madras	
Maj. and Mrs. Baldock	... "	... Calcutta	
Mr. and Mrs. Alexander	... Southampton	... Ceylon	
Mr. and Mrs. Ellis	... "	... Shanghai	
Mr. John Carnegie	... "	... Hong Kong	
Mr. W. B. Chalmers	... "	... Calcutta	
Mr. McDonald	... "	... "	
Miss Williams	... "	... "	
Mr. Rutherford and friend	... Marseilles	... "	
Mr. W. P. Cowan	... "	... "	
Mr. T. Bailly	... Southampton	... "	
Mr. G. Harper	... Marseilles	... "	
Capt. Stuart	... Southampton	... Madras	
Lieut. Briggs	... Marseilles	... "	
Mr. F. S. Brown	... "	... Penang	
Mr. F. Palmer	... "	... "	
Mr. J. W. Witham	... Southampton	... Singapore	
Mr. J. Chalmers	... "	... Calcutta	
Mrs. Berkeley and two infants	... "	... "	
Mrs. Stewart and infant	... "	... Hong Kong	
Mrs. Brown and two daughters	... "	... Shanghai	
Two Misses Price	... "	... Ceylon	
Mr. W. Findlay	... "	... Hong Kong	
Mr. G. W. Schwerman	... Marseilles	... "	
Miss Wallace	... Southampton	... Calcutta	
Capt. J. W. Levan	... "	... "	
Mr. J. S. Young	... "	... Hong Kong	
Capt. and Mrs. Beet	... "	... Calcutta	
Mr. W. Bartlett	... "	... "	
Mr. D. Monroe	... Marseilles	... "	
Mr. Darley	... Southampton	... Ceylon	
Surg. W. Jeever	... "	... Calcutta	
Rev. Mr. Macfarlane	... "	... Madras	
Rev. Mr. Anderson	... "	... Calcutta	
Mr. G. Richmond	... "	... Hong Kong	
Mr. J. Pitts, R.M.	... "	... Calcutta	
Mr. Norman Woodward	... "	... Ceylon	
Mr. and Mrs. Morris	... "	... Hong Kong	
Mr. W. Belad	... Marseilles	... Calcutta	
Miss Noble	... Southampton	... Ceylon	
Mr. and Mrs. Perry	... "	... "	
Mr. J. J. Roberts	... Marseilles	... Calcutta	
Mr. G. O. Scott	... "	... Shanghai	
Mr. A. Robertson	... Southampton	... Calcutta	
Mr. J. Menzies	... "	... Shanghai	
Mrs. J. J. Kendall and infant	... Marseilles	... Calcutta	
Mr. Giddermester	... Southampton	... Ceylon	
Surg. W. H. Mills	... Marseilles	... Calcutta	
Mrs. Roberts	... "	... Alexandria	
Mr. Bell	... "	... Calcutta	
Mr. and Mrs. Lucy	... "	... Calcutta	
Miss Pithcartly	... "	... Calcutta	

PASSENGERS ENGAGED.

(Per Peninsular and Oriental Company's Steamers.)
Feb. 12.—For BOMBAY.—Mr. J. M. Elliott, Col. Lacy. From MARSEILLES.—Capt. Malett, Mr. and Mrs. Nether-sole, Miss Prescott.
Feb. 20.—For CALCUTTA.—Mrs. Conolly, Mrs. Farquhar and infant. For HONG KONG from MARSEILLES.—Mr. and Mrs. Trautmann, Mr. A. Milsom. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mrs. and Miss Hobson.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

FRASER—the wife of Captain Hastings Fraser, Madras Staff Corps, of a son, at Cantray-house, near Inverness, Jan. 29.
PRENDERGAST—the wife of Captain M. M. Prendergast, 4th Bengal Cavalry, of a daughter, at 4, Burton-street, Eaton-square, Jan. 23.
ROBERTS—the wife of Capt. W. H. Roberts, Peninsular and Oriental Company's Service, of a son, at Marseilles, Feb. 2.
TUCKER—the wife of L. H. B. Tucker, Esq., Bombay Civil Service, of a daughter, stillborn, at 19, Manchester-street, Feb. 1.
WOLFEHOUSE—the wife of Charles Wolfehouse, Esq., Bombay Staff Corps, of a daughter, at Poweck, near Worcester, Feb. 1.

MARRIAGES.

ARMSTRONG—FURLONG.—Capt. George C. H. Armstrong, son of the late Col. Armstrong, H.M.'s Indian Army, to Alice Fitzroy, daughter of the Rev. Charles J. Furlong, at the British Consulate, and also at Trinity Church, Boulogne-sur-Mer, Feb. 2.
BEART—MAYNARD.—Victor O. Beart, Esq., to Jane H., daughter of the late Herbert Maynard, Esq., Bengal Army, at St. Peter's Church, Hampstead, Feb. 1.
DUNBAR—SLEEMAN.—Edward Dunbar, Captain H.M.'s 102nd Regt. Royal Madras Fusiliers, to Mary Esther, youngest daughter of the late Major-general Sir William Henry Sleeman, K.C.B., Bengal Army, at All Saints' Church, Paddington, Feb. 2.
LYNCH—CULLINGTON.—George S. Lynch, Esq., of Bombay, to Anna Maria S., daughter of Daniel Cullington, Esq., at St. James's, Spanish-place, Jan. 25.
NEELE—PENDLEBURY.—Kingston Neele, Esq., Bombay, to Lucy, daughter of the late John Pendlebury, Esq., M.D., at St. John's, Longsight, near Manchester, Feb. 1.

O'GRADY—BRUCE—James W. O'Grady, R.N., to Ada, daughter of the late William C. Bruce, Esq., Bombay Civil Service, at Dublin, Jan. 21.

WALCOTT—SLOMAN—Lieut. E. Y. Walcott, late 57th Regt. B.N.I., Assistant Commissioner of Assam, to Louisa, daughter of John Sloman, Esq., of Wick, at the Priory Church of Christchurch, Hants, Jan. 24.

WHITE—GOODBAN—Major William F. H.M.'s Indian Army (Madras Est.), to Mary Ann, daughter of J. T. Goodban, Esq., at St. Andrew's Church, Thornhill-square, Jan. 25.

DEATHS.

BROWN—Rachel, H. M., wife of Major J. F. Harman Brown, late 5th Regt. Madras N.I., at Devizes, Feb. 2.

FALCONER—Hugh Falconer, A.M. and M.D., Vice-President of the Royal Society, and formerly Superintendent of the Botanical gardens, Calcutta, at 21, Park-crescent, Portland-place, aged 56, Jan. 31.

GIBSON—Mary Ann, widow of the late Capt. John J. Gibson, 26th M.N.I., at Tiverton, Devon, aged 40, Jan. 26.

GOODEVE—Joseph Goodeve, Esq., late Master in Equity, Calcutta, and Professor of English Law at Presidency College, at Cook's Folly, near Bristol, aged 63, Jan. 29.

HARRISON—Benjamin Harrison, Esq., of Blackheath-park, aged 73, Jan. 31.

HAYES—John Hayes, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at 9, St. Stephen's-road, Hammersmith.

JONES—Margaret, widow of John Jones, E.I. Co.'s home service, at 6, Nottingham-place, aged 91, Jan. 28.

MACKONCHIE—Isabella, widow of the late Colonel George Mackonochie, H.E.I.C.S., at 5, Westbourne-terrace-road, aged 74, Jan. 24.

MASTER—Major-general R. A. Master, C.B., late of the Bengal Light Cavalry, at Bilbrook-house, Cheltenham, aged 58, Jan. 27.

OAKES—Augusta Elizabeth, widow of the late Major Oakes, of the Madras Artillery, at Beerberick, Nassau.

POWNEY—Lieut.-general Richard Powney, late of the Bengal Artillery, aged 79, Dec. 23.

RALEIGH—Edward Ward Walter Raleigh, Esq., late surgeon Bengal Army, at 3, Suffolk-place, Pall-mall, aged 63, Jan. 22.

WAGHORN—Charles Waghorn, Esq., late of Taunton, youngest son of the late James Waghorn, Esq., of Ewell, Surrey, at Kymer, Sussex, Jan. 29.

WEBB—Capt. William S. Webb, late of the Bengal Army, at 23, Clarendon-gardens, Maida-hill, aged 81, Feb. 4.

India Office,

February 7, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. L. C. Probyn; Mr. D. Cunliffe; Mr. G. Rayner (Uncov.).

Bombay Estab.—Mr. G. Scott.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Major C. Murray, Staff Corps; Lieut. S. D. Lockwood, Cav.

Madras Estab.—Capt. W. G. Grove, 32nd N.I.; Lieut. F. W. Buller, Cav.; Capt. J. C. Burnett, 4th L.C.

Bombay Estab.—Capt. A. W. Graham, Staff Corps; Lieut. B. O. Seton, Engrs.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

CIVIL.

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Madras Estab.—Mr. D. Williams, 6 mo.; Mr. T. J. Knox, 6 mo.

ECCLESIASTICAL.

Bengal Estab.—Rev. C. C. Anstey, Junior Chaplain, 6 mo.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Maj. E. Thompson, 4th Eur. Regt., 6 mo.; Capt. Miller, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Vet. surg. R. W. Murray, Vet. Estab., 6 mo.; Lieut. F. Macmullen, Cav., 3 mo.; Capt. P. G. Cornish, Invalid Estab., 6 mo.; Lieut. M. H. Heathcote, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Capt. G. A. Brown, 1st N.I., 5 mo.; Lieut. R. Morris, 1st Eur. L.C., 6 mo.

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Bombay Estab.—Surg. H. Pitman, Med. Estab., 6 mo.; Lieut. col. W. M. Leckie, Inf., 6 mo.; Capt. W. A. Baker, Engrs., 6 mo.

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Bombay Estab.—Mr. A. E. D. Grey; Mr. A. F. Bellasis.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. D. Pringle, late 58th N.I.; Capt. J. L. Watts, Engrs.; Major H. A. Brownlow, Engrs.

Madras Estab.—Major G. Baldock, Staff Corps; Lieut. A. C. Easton, 44th N.I.

Bombay Estab.—Capt. W. H. Blowers, 29th N.I.; Capt. R. W. Wallace, 5th N.I.; Capt. J. H. Castell, Staff Corps; Lieut. A. H. Burnes, Inf.

PERMITTED TO RETIRE.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Surg. maj. A. C. Macrae; Surg. C. Mathias.

INDIAN GOVERNMENT LOANS.

	Actual Sales.	
	At per Rupee.	In sterling to king Co's Rs. 1000 as equivalent to £100
East India 4 per Cent. Transfer Loan Stock, Dividends payable in London, 25th April, and 25th Oct. ...	Sa. R. —	—
1st 4 per Cent. Loan of 1824-25 (Sicca) ...	—	—
2nd 4 per Cent. (Sicca) of 1828-29 ...	1s 10½d	94
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4th 4 per Cent. 1835-36 ...	1s 9d ½	90
5th 4 per Cent. 1842-43 ...	1s 9d ½	90
6th 4 per Cent. 1854-55 ...	1s 9d ½	90
5 per Cent. Public Works Loan 1854-55 ...	2s 0½d ½	101½
4½ per Cent. of 1856-57 ...	—	—
5 per Cent. of 1856-57 ...	2s 0½d	101½
5½ per Cent. of 1859-60 ...	2s 2½d	109½

LUCKNOW AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.—An Agricultural Exhibition for Oudh was planned in 1863, but the design was subsequently postponed to enable the projectors to use the experience of the Calcutta Exhibition. The day before Christmas, however, saw the ceremonial which attended the opening of the Oudh Exhibition, in the almost historical spot bounded by Neil's gate, and the road by which Havelock advanced to the relief of the Lucknow Residency. In the presence of the Bishop of Calcutta, General Beecher, the Brigadier, the Rajah of Kuppurtulla, the Nawabs and the Talookdars of the province, Sir George Couper, Bart., opened the proceedings by reading to Mr. Wingfield, C. B., the Chief Commissioner, an address worthy of the author of the Lucknow Despatch. He said, "The ruined towers behind us, close to which lie the remains of him who, but for an untimely shot, might have ruled the destinies of the empire, bear silent testimony to the scenes of warfare and anarchy which have passed around this spot since then. Indeed, there is perhaps no place in our Eastern dominions where an exhibition of the results of progress and of peace would have a deeper significance or bear a more marked contrast in regard to the past." The Nizam's Minister, Salar Jung, Mr. Yule, the Resident, the various Indian Governments, and Sir Charles Wood have sent articles for exhibition. The liberality of the local residents is likely to meet all the expenses of the undertaking.

INDIA EXCHANGES.

BANK AND COMMERCIAL BILLS.

	60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.		60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.
Calcutta	1s. 11½d	2s. 0d.	Singapore	4s. 8½d	4s. 9d.
Madras	1s. 11½d	2s. 0d.	Hong Kong	4s. 8½d	4s. 9d.
Bombay	1s. 11½d	2s. 0d.	Shanghai	—	—
Colombo	1½pm par	1s. 0pm			

STOCKS AND SECURITIES.

Shares.		Paid.	Prices.
India Stock, 1874...			215 to 218
India 5 per cent.			103½
India 4 per cent.			98½
India 4 per cent. 1868			95
India Enlarged Paper 4 pr. ct.			89
India 5 p. ct. Enlarged Paper			101 to 103
India Stock, Enfd. Paper, 5½			109 to 111
per cent.			95½
India Stock Debentures, 1857			116
India Stock Debentures, 1859			99½
" " " 1863			99½
" " " 1864			98½
" " " 1864 or 1866			8 dis.
India Debentures, do., £1,000			105
India 5 per cent. for account...			103½ to 104
India 5 per cent., 1870			99½
India 4 per cent.			104½
India Loan Scrip 5 per cent.			15s. pm.
India Bonds, 4 p. ct.			10s. to 15s.
India Bonds (£1,000)			
Ditto (under £1,000)			
RAILWAYS.			
Stock Bombay, Baroda, and Central India (guar. 5 per ct.)	100		101 to 102
Ditto F Shares	2		par to ½ pm.
Stock Calcutta & S. Eastern (lim.)	100		96 to 99
Stock Eastern Bengal (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100		100 to 101
Stock East Indian	100		101 to 102
Ditto J. Extension	5		
Stock G. I. Peninsula (guar. 5 p. ct.)	100		101 to 103
Ditto (New ditto)	12		par to ½ pm.
Ditto, New	2		par to ½ pm.
Stock Great S. of India (Lim.) Scrip	100		99 to 101
Ditto 4½ p. c.	100		99
Stock Madras (guar. 4½ per ct.) ..	100		100 to 101
Ditto 5 per cent.	100		94
Stock Ditto (guar. 4½ per cent.)	100		99 to 100
Ditto 5th Extension	3		
Stock Scinde 5 per cent.	100		99 to 100
Ditto India Steam Flotilla (guar. 5 per ct.) ..	100		97
Ditto Delhi (guar. 5 p. c.) ..	all		99½ to 100½
Ditto	2		99½ to 100½
Stock Punjab (5 per ct.)	100		99½ to 100½
BANKS.			
100 Agra and Masterman's (L) ...	50		125 to 130
25 Do. New issue	25		65
40 Australasian	30		70 to 73
40 New	30		65 to 67
25 Bank of Egypt	30		32 to 34
25 Chart. of Ind., Aus., & China	all		33 to 35
Ditto, New	all		16 pm.
25 Chart. Merc. of India, Lond., and China	all		50
New	12½		5 to 7 pm.
100 Commercial Bank of India ..	20		4 to 5 pm.
100 Hindustan, China, & Japan ..	25		2 to 3 pm.
100 Do. New issue at 2 pm.	23		
New Issue at 6 pm., of which 1 pd.	10		2½ pm.
60 Imp. Bank of China, India, and Japan	5		1½ pm.
20 Land Mortgage Bank of India	4		54 to 60
20 Oriental Bank Corporation ..	all		1½ to 1½ pm.
20 Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi ..	10		2 pm.
20 Ditto New	7½		
MISCELLANEOUS.			
5 Bombay Gas	all		5½ to 6
5 New	2		60 to 70
100 British & India Mag. Tel. (L.)	100		1½ to 1 d. x.d.
20 British Indian Tea	11		2½ to 3
20 Ceylon	7		3 to 2 dis.
60 Credit Foncier of Mauritius ..	10		2½ dis.
20 East India Irr. & Can.	8		½ d. to ½ pm.
2 Indian Carrying (Lim.)	1		½ d. to ½ pm.
2 Mauritius Land Credit (Lim.)	2		½ d. to par
20 Madras Irrig. and Canal	5		20½ x.d.
20 Do.	all		4 to 5
10 Mediterranean, Ext. Tel. (Lim.)	all		1 d. par
20 Nerubudda Coal and Iron	5		½ d. to ½ pm.
20 Do. New	3		½ d. to ½ pm.
20 Oriental Commercial	7		7 to 5
50 Oriental Financial	10		1½ to 1½
1 Oriental Gas	all		½ pm.
1 Do. New	all		2½
10 Oriental Inland Steam A. (L.)	all		80 to 82
50 P. and O. Steam Nav. Co.	30		20 to 23
2 Ditto New	1		4½ pm.
2 Telegraph to India	9½		20
10 Upper Assam Tea	20		

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DR. SINCLAIR, one of the Professors of the Elphinstone College, has resigned his appointment, and has been appointed Secretary of the Frere Land Reclamation Company.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

INDIA OFFICE, 4th February, 1865.

THE following NOTIFICATION of the GOVERNMENT of INDIA, dated the 18th of November, 1864, No. 3,354, is REPUBLISHED for general information.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 3,354.

FORT WILLIAM, the 18th November, 1864.

Whereas frequent complaints have been made of the great inconvenience experienced by the holders of 4 per Cent. Government Securities of Sica Rupee Loans, in consequence of the difficulty of negotiating these Securities at their full value, as compared with those of other Loans, the Right Honourable the Governor-general of India in Council has determined to offer to the holders of such Securities the option of converting them into 4 per Cent. Securities of a Loan in the Government Rupee at the intrinsic rate of Rupees 106. 10. 8. Current Government Rupees for every 100 Sica Rupees.

2. Notice is accordingly hereby given that, from and after the publication of this Notification, and until the 31st December, 1865, Promissory Notes of the 4 per Cent. Loans of 1824-25, of 1828-29, and of the 1st May, 1832, and also Stock Receipts of the 4 per Cent. Sica Rupee Book Debt, will be received in Calcutta by the Accountant-general to the Government of India, and in Madras and Bombay by the Deputy Auditors and Accountants-general of those Presidencies, for conversion into a 4 per Cent. Loan in Government Rupees, to be designated the "4 per Cent. Transfer Loan of 1st May, 1865."

3. Promissory Notes of the 4 per Cent. Transfer Loan will be issued for sums of Rupees 500 and for sums above that amount in even hundreds, and the holders of Securities of the above Sica Loans, who may present them for conversion, will be allowed to make up by cash payments to the next amount in hundreds above Rupees 500, or to receive payment of the broken amount in cash, at their option.

4. The Accountant-general at Calcutta and the Deputy Auditors and Accountants-general at Madras and Bombay, are hereby authorised to receive Notes and Stock Receipts of the above-mentioned Sica Rupee Loans tendered for conversion, and to grant an acknowledgment for the same in the following form:—

I hereby acknowledge that has this
day tendered the undermentioned Government Securities for conversion into the 4 per Cent. Transfer Loan of the 1st May, 1865, for which he is entitled to receive a Promissory Note bearing interest from the (1st May or 1st November next, as the case may be), of the tenor and subject to the conditions of the Loan specified in the advertisement published in the *Gazette of India* of the

5. Loan acknowledgments granted at Madras and Bombay, together with the notes in lieu of which they were issued, will be transmitted by the Deputy Auditors and Accountants-general of those Presidencies to the Accountant-general to the Government of India in Calcutta, who will cause to be issued, free of expense, to the parties entitled thereto, Promissory Notes in the 4 per Cent. Transfer Loan, in the following form:—

FORT WILLIAM, 1st May, 1865.

PROMISSORY NOTE AT 4 PER CENT. FOR GOVERNMENT RUPEES.

The Governor-general of India in Council does hereby acknowledge to have received from the sum of
Government Rupees as a Loan to the Secretary of
State in Council for India, and does hereby promise, for and on behalf of the said Secretary of State in Council, to repay the said Loan by paying the said sum of Government Rupees to the said his executors or administrators,
on his or their order, on demand, at the General Treasury of Fort William, after the expiration of three months' notice of payment, to be given by the Governor-general of India in Council in the *Government Gazette*, and to pay the interest accruing on the said sum of Rupees at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, by half-yearly payments at the General Treasury of Fort William to the said his executors or administrators,
on his or their order, until the expiration of three months after such notice of payment as aforesaid, when the amount of interest due will be payable with the principal, and (such notice being considered as equivalent to a tender of payment at the period appointed for the discharge of the note) all further interest shall cease.

Signed by the authority of the Governor-general of India in Council,

Secretary to the Government.

6. Upon all Notes and Stock Receipts received for conversion by the Accountant-general in Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay, interest up to the day preceding the date of tender will be paid in cash, together with anticipation interest on the new note from that date to the close of the half-year then current.

E. H. LUSHINGTON,
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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

THE Calcutta mail of the 9th of January brings us no further news from Bhootan. The Bhootias appear to have had enough of fighting for the present, but occasional raids into British territory will probably take place hereafter from time to time. The institution of a belt of fortified advanced posts, similar to those on the North-Western frontier, will suffice, however, for its protection from any very serious insult or injury. The annexed Dooars, it is said, are likely to prove much more valuable than was at first anticipated, so that the future revenue to be derived from them will yield a handsome return for the money costs of the expedition.

Sir Hugh Rose was expected to arrive in Calcutta in a few days, and will probably return to England by the first steamer in March. His Excellency is accompanied by only a small personal staff,—the officials of army head-quarters having pushed on to the Presidency. It is authoritatively stated that the command-in-chief at Madras, vacant by Sir Hope Grant's appointment to be Quartermaster-general of the Army, will be filled by Lieutenant-General Sir John Gaspard Le Marchant, lately Governor of Malta.

On Tuesday, the 3rd of January, a levée and drawing-room were held at Government House, which were attended by all the beauty and fashion of Calcutta. A separate levée for the reception of Native Chiefs and gentlemen, at which many Civil and Military Officers also were present, was held on Saturday evening, the 7th. The "Palatial City," as it is facetiously called, was indulging in the full round of its mild winter festivities. Fancy fairs at Howrah and at the Botanical Gardens, balls in the Town Hall, the San Francisco Minstrels, and the Lancashire Bell-ringers, constitute an amount of dissipation only to be enjoyed during the Calcutta "season." The Justices of the Peace alone decline to come together, that is, for the despatch of business—for they mustered in sufficient numbers, both at the St. Andrew's dinner, and at the annual banquet given by the Trades' Association.

Small-pox, we regret to hear, was still raging among the native population of Lahore. Out of 50,000 inhabitants 7,000 are said to have fallen victims to that dreadful scourge during the months of November and December.

A very important Bill has been brought before the Legislative Council by Mr. Maine, with a view to legalise, under certain circumstances, the re-marriage of native converts to Christianity. This Bill, to use Mr. Maine's own words, as reported in the *Hurkaru*, is intended to be an interposition of the secular power on purely moral grounds, leaving missionaries and clergymen, and ministers of religion generally, to remarry native converts, repudiated by their wives or husbands for religious reasons, or not to remarry them, according as circumstances may seem in their eyes to justify or forbid the performance of the marriage ceremony. That is, no minister of religion will render himself liable to any penalties or legal coercion by either consenting, or refusing, to solemnise such marriages. In either case it will rest solely with their individual judgments and consciences to check or to encourage concubinage. A "Native Husband" is defined as "a married man domiciled in India, being neither a Christian nor a Jew, who shall have completed the age of sixteen years," the same description applying to a Native Wife, except that the age of consubial discretion is fixed at thirteen years. The present measure is avowedly founded on the draft Bill prepared by Sir Barnes Peacock, which assigned as ground for relief the desertion or repudiation of the Native husband by the Native wife, on the sole plea of the husband's conversion to the Christian faith. The mode of proceeding will be by suit for conjugal society, which cannot be instituted until after the lapse of six months from the alleged desertion, or repudiation. The respondent will have to appear in person before a High Court judge in the Presidency town, and a zillah judge in the Mofussil, and will be closely interrogated—not necessarily in public—as to her real motive for refusing to cohabit with the petitioner. At the close of this preliminary examination the case will be adjourned for a month,

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to possess a thorough knowledge of what he is writing about, we propose to gather up all the "useful information" in his account, and lay it in a compact form before our readers. Many facts, which hereafter it may be useful to remember, will thus stand prominently out.

Dr. Mouat begins by remarking that a proper system of registering judicial statistics is much to be desired. "Regarding crime and the criminal population, little or no reliable information is at present available in India." This is obviously a great omission, and when we are told that it is impossible even for the most careful inquirer to form an opinion as to whether imprisonment is a deterrent to crime or not, because there are no records of recommitments, it is clear that Dr. Mouat's suggestion ought not to be lost sight of. In the letter from Mr. Ashley Eden, which acknowledges the Report, dated the 30th of November last, it is stated that the "Lieutenant-governor is awaiting the orders of the Government of India on the subject." There is thus reason to hope that the want complained of will not long remain an impediment to legislation, as it affects crime in India. Dr. Mouat says:—"As a member of the Prison Committee, I visited the Great Jail and House of Correction of Calcutta officially, but a record of that visit cannot properly be introduced in the present report." His statement will be read with interest whenever it appears.

During the year there were 77,091 prisoners in the Bengal Jails, of whom 2,525 were women. The prisons in the Sonthal Pergunnahs are not included in these returns. "The mortality had increased, the capital sentences had diminished, and the escapes were within one of the same number as in 1862." Some of these prisoners seemed to Dr. Mouat to have been sentenced to imprisonment *without* labour, and upon this he writes rather warmly through three paragraphs. But a foot note explains that it is all a mistake, and that there is no such sentence as imprisonment for life without labour. With regard to the important question of the mortality in the jails, we find that 1,711 deaths occurred during the year 1863, among an average of 17,957 prisoners in custody. This is in the proportion of 9.52 per cent. In some of the jails there were epidemics of cholera—and in the Hooghly, Jessore, and Nuddea districts the terrible fever made great ravages. The cause of this fever Dr. Mouat does not pretend to explain. "All the unfavourable conditions of the villages affected," he says, "have existed in just as great intensity ever since I have been in Bengal, now a quarter of a century, without producing the present result." But that is nothing to the point, because the existence of "unfavourable conditions" must some day or other produce the lamentable results we are now witnessing, and the commissioners who inquired into the subject proved that the same fever, or a very similar one, swept away thousands in Bengal many years ago. The number of prisoners who were admitted into the hospitals was no less than 30,081, thus showing a "ratio per cent. of aggregate in hospital to strength of 167.52." The mortality was greater among the Hindus than the Mussulmans, and less among Christians than either. Prisoners employed on the road are very unhealthy, and we are told, "garden work would seem to rank high in the mortuary scale," but the men chosen for this employment were weak and sickly. We may mention that the mortality was greatest among prisoners between twenty and thirty years of age. This, however, only applies to the particular year under consideration—in the previous year persons between seventy and eighty suffered most. Altogether the returns show a decided deterioration in the sanitary state of the jails, and the Lieutenant-Governor expresses his regret at the circumstance. The mortality in the jails in the Kossyah hills reached the enormous percentage of 87.50; in Monghyr it was 45.12,

in Backergunge 28.98, in Darjeeling 15.78, in Hooghly 14.35, in Howrah 14.65. The neglect of the officers in not distributing warm clothes at the proper time, and other faults, call forth a strong expression of disapprobation from the Lieutenant-Governor. In the Kossyah hills, it should be stated, 29 per cent. of the deaths were caused by cholera.

The sentences of imprisonment with labour had somewhat decreased during the year, but a larger number of convicts was employed in working on the roads. The total value of the manufactured articles was Rs. 5,83,036—of which sum over four lakhs were actually paid into the Treasury. The net profits of the year were Rs. 2,19,771. The press department at Alipore (where, by the way, this report is printed) was so profitable that the "excess of earning over cost" amounted to Rs. 132-2-11-1 each prisoner. In seven other jails the prisoners earned more than they cost, which must be pronounced an entirely satisfactory arrangement. In jails where the prisoners were not self-supporting, the lowest net cost to the State was Rs. 4-10-10 per prisoner; the highest was Rs. 73-12-5. Dr. Mouat is satisfied with the general results obtained, as he has reason to be when he remembers that within eight years "a little more than one-third of the whole outlay incurred on account of the prisons, or nearly twenty-three lakhs of rupees, have been returned to the State by the labour of the convicts without taking into account the very large sum which has been saved by the employment of prison agency in such menial or other occupations in jail as afforded suitable labour of a penal kind, for which paid agency would otherwise have been necessary."

A code of rules for the management of these jails is still under consideration. The system of placing well-conducted convicts in positions of trust has answered "as well as could be expected"—a phrase that rings very like the "it might have been worse" of the Howrah police officer. A ticket-of-leave system, under certain restrictions, was begun during the year, the convict being obliged to work each day in the jail. Want of space in the jails is the great evil of which Dr. Mouat has to complain. All these defects are under the consideration of the Government.—*Friend of India.*

MISCELLANEOUS.

A STRANGE MURDER has been committed in Calcutta. According to the papers, "a gentleman" who lives near Creek-row, states that his wife heard a "great bawling" about three o'clock in the morning, and asked him to see what was the matter. He did not go out—perhaps in this country few would have done so under the circumstances, an uproar among natives being no very startling novelty. However, there was mischief going on this time. A chowkeedar found the bodies of two men by the door of a shop, with wounds upon them which had evidently been inflicted by an axe or a bar of iron, lying near. The *Daily News* regrets that some European who went to see the bodies indulged in "unfeeling and profane jests." This is minute reporting, and deserves to be carried into more important matters. The perpetrators of the murders have not been discovered.

THE MUNICIPALITY.—There was to have been a quarterly meeting of the Municipality on the 2nd January. So just is the estimation in which that body is held, that only sixteen justices attended—twenty-five being the number required to form a quarterly meeting. This is another illustration of the importance and value of the body.

A DRAWING ROOM AND LEVEE were held on Tuesday, January 3, at Government-house, at nine o'clock. The presentations were more numerous than has been known in India for many years. The Viceroy and Lady Lawrence seemed in excellent health.

RAILWAYS IN THE PUNJAB.—We (*Hurkaru*) are informed that the railway line from Umritsur to Mooltan—254 miles—is complete throughout its whole length without a break, and the agent, Mr. Stevens, and a party of friends, travelled the other day from end to end. It will be opened for traffic in the course of January. Mr. Henfrey, of the firm of Brassey and Co., the great English contractors, has arrived at Delhi in order to arrange for the construction of the line—280 miles—between that city and Umritsur, which is to be completed within three years. The services of all the contractors previously employed by the Punjab Railway Company on this work, including Messrs. Courtanze, Reid, and others, have been dispensed with by Messrs. Brassey and Co., according to a stipulation to that effect in the agreements made between the former, in event of the whole line being contracted for by a single firm or person. The rate to be paid to the contractors by the company is about £15,000 per mile, which includes the cost of bridges over the Sutlej and Beas, and other works of great magnitude. Messrs. Brassey are willing to arrange with sub-contractors for lengths of ten miles each person, but for no greater length.

TEA PLANTING ON THE MURREE HILLS.—The first attempt to introduce the tea-plant into the Murree Hills was made in 1852, at a place called Seelah, on the high road to Murree, but it proved a failure. A second attempt was undertaken in 1855, at Shamlee, sixteen miles from Murree, but with similar bad success. In 1859 Sir Robert Montgomery tried a third time to establish an experimental plantation, but, owing to the lateness of the season when the seeds arrived and were sown, the plants died. The fourth attempt failed in 1862. The Lieutenant-governor, remembering that it was some years before the tea cultivation succeeded in the Dehra Dhoon, was determined to give the experiment in the Murree Hills a fifth trial, under native gardeners experienced in the culture of the plant. The labours of these men were partially successful only; and it being found that a higher kind of experience than theirs was required, a head gardener was procured from the Saharunpore Gardens to act as superintendent. This man discovered that the plants had suffered from over-watering, and from being too much earthed up, and not properly protected. Under his directions a material improvement was soon visible, and the Lieutenant-governor of the Punjab was so encouraged in consequence that he ordered a careful examination of all the adjacent hills, and the sowing of seed in as many promising localities as possible. The results of these measures are reported to have proved highly satisfactory. On the arrival of the overseer there were but 150 plants at Seelah, 3 at Tret, and a few more at Shamlee—the survivors of 70,000 seedlings sent up by Dr. Jamieson from the Government Plantation at Holta. But when Sir Robert Montgomery visited the hills in September last he found the following number of young trees, all in a healthy state:—12,000 at Seelah, 9,000 at Tret, 2,500 at Shamlee, and 14,000 at Bissah. The area of these plantations was as follows:—Seelah, 3 acres; Tret, 1½; Shamlee, 1; and Bissah, 3. Three other plantations—Dukhain, 1,200, and Rujial and Kuror, 500 acres—had been fixed upon also; and there were 10,000 seedlings in the Government nursery. The Lieutenant-governor has great hopes that, with due care, the culture of the tea-plant will become as important in the Murree Hills as at Dera or at Kangra.—*Scindian.*

STEAM ON THE UPPER INDUS.—The Government of India, undeterred by the insignificance of the results, so far as pecuniary returns are concerned, of the attempt to introduce steamers into the traffic on the Upper Indus, have ordered out more vessels from England, better adapted than those hitherto in use to the peculiarities of the navigation.

MR. BUCKLE, of the Civil Service, who was removed from the judgeship of Moorshedabad in September last, has again appealed to the Viceroy against the decision of the Lieutenant-governor. Considering that Mr. Buckle had been nearly all his service of twenty-four years in the salt department, and was made a judge, *nolens volens*, on the abolition of his former appointment, and that the Lieutenant-Governor himself admitted that he was a hard-working and painstaking judicial officer, it is impossible to think otherwise than that he has been treated with a harshness almost unjustifiable. It is true that the High Court recommended his removal from Moorshedabad, but they also represented that, in their opinion, Mr. Buckle was competent to perform the judicial duties of a lighter district. In the case of a man who had done good service in his own department, this recommendation might have received some consideration; but it did not, and the result is that the outside world are disposed to regard Mr. Buckle as a victim to the fact of belonging to some imaginary clique not marked out for promotion, but reserved for treatment best described as "amalgamation justice."—*Englishman*.

MOULVEE AHMED-OOLAH.—Besides Mr. Mackenzie we (*Englishman*) hear that Mr. Fagan has been specially retained to defend Moulvee Ahmed-oollah, the late Municipal Commissioner and Income-tax Assessor at Patna, who was arrested so long ago as the 5th November last upon a deposition taken, as appears from the magistrate's own handwriting, a month subsequently, viz., the 5th December. The Moulvee is to be tried on two charges, under sections 121 and 123 of the penal code, for abetting the Sittana people in making war upon the Queen, and for concealing such treasonable practices on the part of some of his family. Some very curious revelations are expected of the mode in which the provisions of the twocodes which have been prepared with so much pains and care by the legislature are set aside by the local authorities. The single deposition under which the Moulvee has been detained in custody for more than two months is as follows:—

"The deposition of Isri Persad, son of Ram Sur-run Loll, of Hurdawar, pergunnah Shergotty, zillah Bhar, taken before me, James Munro, Officiating Magistrate of Patna, the 5th day of December, 1864—being sworn, states:—There are just now up at Umballa some Bengalis, Whazhun Sirdar, Kazi Meah Jan's brother, and others, who can testify to Ahmed Oolla being also concerned in the treasonable practices of which his brother and others have been convicted, and I have reason to believe that if his house . . . be searched, treasonable correspondence will be found. . . .

True copy of deposition so far as regards Ahmed Oolla. (Signed) J. MUNRO, 13th December, 1864. Officiating Magistrate.

We hear that witnesses in this case have been in custody fifteen or twenty days. In the trial at Umballa, Sir Herbert Edwardes made some severe remarks upon the pleaders retained for the defence, because he thought that some of the witnesses for the defence appeared to have been tutored.

MILITARY PAYMENT.—From the 1st of January a new system of military payment for officers has been inaugurated, in accordance with which, for the future, those drawing out their pay bills will be obliged themselves to make all the monthly deductions for the different funds, &c., and the pay and examiner's offices will only make any extraordinary deductions which may require to be enforced. We think this new rule an improvement upon the former system, being of opinion that a military officer ought, like other people, to be able to look after his own pecuniary affairs, and keep his own accounts; but, at the same time, it must be remembered that the officers of the Bengal army keep up some rather expensive secretariat establishments in connection with their funds; establishments, too, which, in case of errors in

an officer's fund accounts, ignore all respectability, and tell the sufferer that he must be his own accountant. However, we think that it is quite right to relieve the paymasters of circles of the trouble of also keeping these fund accounts, and looking after the realisation of subscriptions, donations, &c., and we believe that, after a little trouble, the new system of payment will work well and give satisfaction.—*Englishman*.

THE E. I. RAILWAY.—If the Government cannot, or will not, take action as regards the serious state of affairs on the East Indian Railway, perhaps the Chamber of Commerce, many of whose members are interested in the matter, may think it right and wise to make a move. The line of railway between Allahabad and Calcutta is literally almost at a dead lock; troops, produce, imports, exports, merchandise, and property of every description, being accumulated, heaped up, and delayed in transit for want of the means of carriage. We are not here imputing blame to any person or persons. We believe that everything which zeal, energy, and unremitting attention can effect is being done by the railway officials; but it is this very fact that shows the necessity for something being done to secure despatch and evolve order out of the chaos which exists, and which is, of course, daily becoming worse and more embarrassing. It is, we understand, the fact that the value of the property of all kinds now accumulated at the East India Railway line may be estimated in millions sterling; and it is also a fact that many mercantile houses in Calcutta are anxiously awaiting the arrival of most valuable consignments long overdue, and which, if delivered in due course, might have been long since very profitably disposed of. It is a question whether, under these latter circumstances, the railway is not legally liable for the loss involved in the delay; but we pass over this point, as we are not writing in a spirit of accusation against the railway or its officials. The worst and the most hopeless feature of the case, as it now stands, is that it is really one of "nobody to blame;" the fact being simply that the East Indian line is, for four or five months of the year at least, unable to perform the enormous quantity of work which is required of it. In short, without a double line and more rolling stock, the railway will not fulfil the object for which it was undertaken.—*Englishman*.

ALLEGED UNPOPULARITY OF INDIAN SERVICE.—Brevet Major H. F. Brooke, of H.M.'s 48th Regiment, heretofore Brigade Major at Meerut, and just appointed Assistant Adjutant General of the Presidency Division, in Fort William, has, on the departure of his regiment for England, effected an exchange with Captain and Brevet Major H. J. Wilkin, of H.M.'s 94th Regiment, and aide-de-camp to his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief. Much as military employ in India has fallen in popularity, we have of late had several instances of officers of H.M.'s British corps who have elected, even at considerable regimental disadvantage, to exchange in order to remain out here on Staff employ. This, however, is a very different thing from going into the Staff Corps, which would leave the officers so doing with but one iron in the fire, whilst those exchanging to remain out have two.

THE NAGPORE GIANT.—Our Nagpore contemporary gives this account of the man of length whom we noticed the other day:—"This Polyphemus is seven feet four inches in height, and of enormous amplitude of chest. As regards the lower extremities, however, he is very ill-proportioned, having comparatively spindle shanks. When first he entered the city he was mobbed. An immense concourse, consisting of men, women, and children, gathered round him, and stoned him for an incarnation of the Evil One. But, luckily for him, somebody having discovered five mysterious marks on the crown of his head, an-

nounced that he was a god, and thereupon the fickle and superstitious populace immediately prostrated themselves before him, and actually worshipped him as a divine being! When he was at Kamptee all the Marwarree women paid him divine honours, and literally adored him. He is said to have led for some time a life of asceticism, and to have gone through an ordeal of extraordinary austerities, which is likely to be the truth, as the man is so weak that he cannot stand without being supported. He is performing a pilgrimage to the shrine at Indore, where he has a vow to fulfil. His head is not unusually large, but his aspect is hideously repulsive, and had he but one eye centrally placed, he would be no bad representative of the blinded Cyclops groping in his cave. His voice has an unearthly hollowness, and one of his hands would make four of an ordinary man's. He is now exhibiting himself, under the protection of the police, in a house outside the city, each curious spectator having to pay one pice for a peep at the live giant."—*Hurkaru*.

THE LATE EUROPEAN REGIMENTS.—We once again venture to lay before the subalterns of the late European regiments, who did not volunteer for general service, the hopeless chance of their getting their captaincy with the pay of the rank, unless they, without delay, memorialise Parliament, that the same boon be given in the cadre of their regiments as Sir Charles Wood has granted to the officers of the native regiments and General List, (viz., "The steps of the officers who have been appointed to the new line regiments") for the following reasons:—In the cadre of the late European regiments, there are twice and in many cases three times as many officers as there are in the native regiments, and therefore they will take at least twice as long, in getting their company in the same, although there are twice as many of captains in a cadre of a European as there are in a native regiment; but considering that the new line regiments are chiefly officered from the late European corps, who will have their turn of home service, the chances of mortality are less than those of a native regiment, and the consequence is, that the junior lieutenant of the late European regiments has not the same chance of his company. Again all the officers of the General List will get their promotion before them, for, when a captaincy becomes vacant in a native regiment (it being out of the question that such an occurrence should take place in a cadre of a European corps) they will get their company, since captaincies are not to be advertised as was formerly the case when a lieutenantancy fell vacant, and therefore all the General List officers will get their promotion before the junior lieutenants of the late European regiments, although all are many years their junior. We have tried to point out the hopeless condition of the late European regiments, unless one and all of the subalterns (who remained local) petition Parliament through the Committee of the Indian Army Grievance, that steps of all officers who were appointed from their regiments be given in the cadre, as has been granted in the cadre of the native regiments.—*Englishman*.

OPIMUM.—The Board of Revenue has notified in the usual manner that the following quantities of Bengal and Behar opium, the produce of 1863-64, will be offered for sale on or about the dates specified below:—

	Behar, about Chests.	Benares, about Chests.	Total, about Chests.
On or about Friday, Feb. 10, 1865...	2,920	2,435	5,355
" Friday, March 10	2,920	2,435	5,355
" Friday, April 7	2,920	2,435	5,355
" Wednesday, May 10	2,920	2,435	5,355
" Monday, June 12	2,920	2,435	5,355
" Monday, July 10	2,920	2,435	5,355
" Thursday, August 10	2,920	2,435	5,355
" Monday, Sept. 11	2,920	2,435	5,355
" Monday, Oct. 9	2,920	2,435	5,355
" Friday, Nov. 10	2,920	2,435	5,355
" Friday, Dec. 8...	2,917	2,445	5,362
Total...	32,117	26,795	58,912

TIME-EXPIRED SOLDIERS.—The reason that no attempt has been made to retain in the country and the service the large number of time-expired men and trained soldiers now flocking down to the Presidency to embark for England is, that the only course which could be adopted to retain them would, if followed by the Government, constitute a precedent which might become exceedingly inconvenient and troublesome, if not dangerous, in the future. The case is a very difficult one to manage, and the seriousness of the dilemma is undeniable. The passage home to England of each of these trained soldiers will cost the Government £50, and to replace each man with a comparatively new and inexperienced soldier will cost at least £100 more; making, together, about Rs. 1,500. Now, without fixing any exact sum as a temptation to these men to remain in the service, we may safely assume that the mass of them, possibly every one of them, would accept a bonus of bounty money much less than the above sum; would, for it, forego their intention of leaving India and the services, and engage for a further period of ten years, at the end of which time the military career of those who survive will be at an end. But the Government is afraid, under what we may call exceptional circumstances of its own creation, to diverge from the beaten path of former times, and the consequence is that we are willingly, and with our eyes open, allowing a number of soldiers of inestimable value to leave our standard rather than purchase them back into our ranks at a price which we know would be beneath their worth to the public. This may be good policy, but it is not good business, as any man who has ever bought and sold can understand.—*Englishman*.

CATHEDRAL MISSION COLLEGE.—The late Bishop Wilson, chiefly from his own pocket, created a fund for the endowment of canonries in St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta. Unable to obtain a charter, the Bishop made over the fund to the Church Missionary Society, after it had been employed in the Cathedral Mission, which supported one or two agents. That fund is now to be devoted to the very best of purposes—the establishment of the Cathedral Mission College, for the training of undergraduates of the Calcutta University, with which it will be affiliated. Temporary premises have been taken for the college in Sukea's-street, near the late Rammohun Roy's house. It will open on the 15th Jan. under a principal and professors so competent as the Rev. J. Barton, M.A., the Rev. R. W. Shackell, M.A., Fellow of Pembroke College, Cambridge, and the Revs. E. C. Stuart, S. Dyson, and J. Welland. The college promises to take an important part in supplying the Christian element in that reformation which is going on in educated Bengalee society.

THE TERAI.—Ever since the gift of the Nepal Terai to Jung Bahadoor our enterprising timber dealers have experienced great difficulty in obtaining their supplies for Oudh and the N.W.P. The Nepalese officers offer every obstruction until they are well bribed into compliance. Complaints are made to the local Governments of Oudh and Allahabad, but without avail. We learn that one person, after getting permission from the Nepaul durbar and a *purwannah* to cut trees for 3,000 sleepers, was kept by one of these lieutenants, Hussey Buckt, at Bhurm Deo, months before he would look at the *purwannah*, and then, when the money was paid over, it was upwards of six months before he could get the timbers, and when he did get them 25 per cent. was added to the cost. It had to be paid, as there was no one to whom to appeal.

A **SUTTEE** was committed at Beygoon, in Rajpootana, in April last, under peculiar circumstances. The widow is said to have been determined on committing the act, and not only did her relations take no steps to prevent her, but rather appear to have encouraged her. One man, named Dwarkadoss, who was the

uncle of her husband, was especially to blame. He rode to the place of cremation upon his horse, and, by his own confession, he stood passive by her whilst she was burnt alive at a distance of thirty yards. It is also said that seven hundred people were present at the suicide. The political agent of Meywar sentenced the chief offender to five years' imprisonment for culpable homicide, and two or three other offenders to shorter terms of imprisonment. In such cases mercy is cruelty, and the agent of the Governor-general for Rajpootana has very properly told the agent at Meywar that such crimes demand a severer punishment. The Viceroy has fully endorsed this view.

COST OF TRANSLATION.—A circular was issued some time ago by the Government of India regarding the cost of translating documents at the various Presidencies and Governments. The return made is curious enough, especially as we understand that all concur in the impossibility of reducing the expenditure under this head—

The Govt. of India pays monthly	Rs. 2,165
" Bengal	12,928
" N. W. Provinces	6,021
" Punjab	585
" Oude	200
" Central Provinces	150
" British Burmah	455
" Straits Settlements	872
" Madras	6,715
" Bombay	7,382

Monthly Rs. 37,473
or four lacs and forty-nine thousand two hundred and seventy-six rupees per annum. The heavy amount paid in Bengal is evidently on account of the expense of translating voluminous papers for the High Court. Besides this, the cost of translating to litigants must be enormous.

ONLY A NIGGER.—The life of a native pilot plying his trade on the River Indus is sometimes varied by rather disagreeable incidents. According to a news-writer in Kotree one of them stationed at Sehwan received very rough treatment at the hands of the officer commanding one of the steamers, and had it not been for the timely assistance rendered by the quartermaster of the vessel, he would in all probability have met with a watery grave. The circumstances of the case are as follows. The steamer was coming down stream, and on arrival at a certain position where the water was shallow, the pilot requested the captain to have the vessel turned round, whereupon the captain it appears got quite enraged at being addressed by a "nigger," and without any consideration threw him overboard. This is not the first time that the pilots have been subjected to the like treatment. There are many commanders of steamers on the Ganges who could tell similar tales.

THE VOLUNTEERS.—The first meeting of the Volunteers for prize shooting has been held during the first week in January. The first prize, a silver cup valued at Rs. 700, was won by Lieut. Mackenzie, who made thirty-seven marks in shooting at 300, 500, and 700 yards. In the second match Sergt. Dodds carried off the first prize; in the third Lieut. G. Teale came first on the list; in the fourth match Private Boggs won the first prize of Rs. 333, and Colour Sergt. G. Robb the second of Rs. 185. In the All Comers' match Lieut. Mackenzie again took the first prize of Rs. 250. The secretary states that "in the All Comers' match outsiders had no chance whatever against the Volunteers, and were 'nowhere.'"

SMALL-POX AT LAHORE.—The accounts of the ravages of small-pox in the city of Lahore are truly distressing, and so are they from Anarkullee. The cry from all parts of the country is for more European doctors. It is remarkable that the natives, educated in the Government medical colleges, are distrusted when the object is to combat this formidable disease.

ENGLISH AS THE OFFICIAL LANGUAGE.—The *Bombay Gazette* has some just remarks on Sir John Lawrence's order, directing that in future correspondence with native princes and chiefs shall be carried on as far as possible in English, and that in the event of a treaty being concluded the English copy shall be considered the authoritative and binding one. It was undoubtedly a mistake of Lord Canning in 1858 not to declare English the official language of the empire then placed directly under the Crown, but the behaviour of the Ranees of Dutteea in 1859 led him to revive Lord W. Bentinck's admirable rule on the subject. With Asiatic peoples the use of the ruler's language in treaties and courts, no less than the sole right of coining, and bestowal of titles, is a mark of suzerainty. It is significant, as the writer reminds us, that "the wretched sepoy mutineers seemed to have had a sort of instinctive apprehension of the effects likely to be produced by English, for in Delhi they forbade the use of the language, and maltreated any one who was supposed to be acquainted with it." We trust Sir John Lawrence will not stop at this order.

TENANT RIGHT AGITATION.—The *Lahore Chronicle* says that the great question of tenant rights, regarding which nearly all the District Officers have been called upon to give their opinion, is about to be brought very shortly before a Committee of Revenue Officers to assemble at Lahore. The necessity for considering this question has arisen out of a series of mistakes made on a very extensive scale at the Lahore Revenue Settlement. These mistakes, it is to be feared, have been made all over India, wherever the Government, led away by the theory of erecting a great landed aristocracy, as the only basis of national prosperity, has ignored the rights of the actual occupier of the soil.

MR. NEWMARCH, the barrister, retires, we believe, for good from India, having reaped the harvest he so richly deserved by his indefatigable assiduity and painstaking study of cases entrusted to him. To him the bar are indebted for Act XXI. of 1853, under which attorneys of the late Supreme Court are authorised to practise in the Sudder and Mofussil Court. It was Mr. Newmarch who first agitated the matter, and thus obtained a provision which was not at that time in the hands of the attorneys. In return these gentlemen entertained him at a grand ball at the Town-hall in 1853. Mr. Newmarch's departure will cause a gap in the legal ranks which will not be easily filled up.—*Hurkaru*.

HOWRAH FANCY FAIR.—The Fancy Fair at Howrah on Monday, January 2, for aiding the Zenana Mission, establishing a five's court and swimming baths at the hospital, and some other purposes, was a great success. The ladies who kindly interested themselves in the undertaking were, as the visitors say, resistless; the result was that the stalls were cleared, and the rupees abundant. This Fair is now a standard amusement of the season, and a praiseworthy one, inasmuch as it always accomplishes real good.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 30. Str. Orissa, Templeton, Akrah; John Vanner, Moore, Natal, Hope, King, Liverpool.—31. Star of Albion, Smith, Liverpool. Jan. 1. Severn, King, Colombo.—2. Caranjah, Clare, Bombay.—4. Royal Sovereign, Fisher, Newport; B. L. Harriman, Fulton, Dundee; Golden West, Faithfull, Melbourne; Golconda, Beasley, Suez.—5. Malita, Cameron, Shanghai; Gertrude, Dogdale, Batavia; Alfred, Morris, London; Franc Maun, Franc Maun, Cochlin; Royal Alfred, Whiting, Liverpool; Isles of the South, Davidson, Shanghai.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Orissa.—Mrs. Christien and three children, Mr. W. Anderson, Lieut. Graham, Mr. W. Caruack, Capt. J. Hamilton.
Per John Vanner.—Mrs. Moore, Dr. Brown.
Per Royal Sovereign.—Eliza Benkir.
Per Golden West.—From POINT DE GALLE.—Dr. Santhall.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 30. Hotspur, Toynebe, London; Alphonse et Nellie, Kipsch, Bourbon.—31. Corriemulzie, White, Hong Kong; Northern Queen, Coast, Hong Kong; Lucie, Briand, Bourbon; Patricia, Pain, London.—Jan. 1. Hengist, Morrison, Mauritius; Philosopher, Ross, London.—2. Rangoon, Lewis, Akylah, Rangoon, and Malmuin; Arabia, Patterson, Bombay; Dreadnought, Webster, Bombay; Turkey, Hamilton, Mauritius; Joshua, Stevenson, Mauritius; Chanticleer, Poppleton, Bombay.—3. Cromwell, Crocker, Boston; Assaye, Jones, Mauritius; Princess Royal, Watson, Bombay; Calumet, Williams, Bombay.—4. Wayfarer, Partridge, Bombay; Blenheim, Shaw, London; Spirit of the Sea, Maguire, China; Astrea, Norris, Melbourne; Erymanthe, Jehenne, Galle; Marcopolo, Hanschild, China.—8. Mail str. Nubia, —, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. str. Nubia.—For MADRAS.—Mr. and Mrs. Whitlock, Capt. Mallett, Mr. Crohn, Mr. Hatch, For G. A. L. E.—Staff surg. Tippetts and infant, Mrs. Purvis, Rev. R. N. Maddock, Mr. Ross, For MELBOURNE.—Mr. Weinholts, For SYDNEY.—Mr. Tweddie, Mr. Weinholts. For ALEXANDRIA.—Lieut. and Mrs. Wimberley and infant. For MARSEILLES.—Col. and Mrs. Beames, Maj. and Mrs. Donaldson, Mr. and Mrs. Cable and child, Mr. Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Latour, Mrs. Elderton, Mr. Murdoch, Mr. Burrell, Mrs. English Id. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Col. Haythe, Mr. and Mrs. Newmarch and infant, Mrs. McMahon and two children, Mrs. Gully and two children, Capt. R. L. Weeks, Serg. maj. Doley and wife, Serg. Shaw, Mr. Hinks, Paymaster Serg. J. Marshall and wife, Miss Lee, W. Smith, Mr. C. E. Pharis, Dr. Cromarty. From MADRAS to SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Lin and child, Mrs. Wapshare and four children, Mr. J. Summer, For MARSEILLES.—R. W. Lodwick, Esq., W. F. Graham, Esq., Miss Cooper, Capt. and Mrs. John. Mr. J. Wood, Lieut. W. E. Shaw, G. F. Grimes, Esq. For KING GEORGE'S SOUND.—Miss Foote. For PENANG.—Maj. L. Bridge. Per str. Noolhan.—For MADRAS.—Mr. Martelle, Capt. J. Danbuz, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Leppott, For BOMBAY.—Dr. Fittes. For HONG KONG.—Mr. and Mrs. Collins. For MARSEILLES.—Mr. Stephenson, Mrs. Atkins, M. S. Oakes, Lieut. Verney, Rifle Brig., Mr. J. S. Begg, Capt. E. M. Palmer, Lieut. W. E. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Manckum, Mrs. Erskine, Miss McIlvray, Mr. E. C. Wynne, Lieut. G. Parker. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Lowen, Mr. Reuter, Mrs. Fitzgald, Mr. M. Donnelly, Mr. Coombe, Mrs. Todd and children, Mrs. Dechall, Mr. Prinsep, Mr. Bower, Mr. Hindmarsh, Mrs. Webb.

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE MADRAS MANCHESTER COTTON COMPANY.—We hear that the sanguine anticipations of Mr. A. C. Brice, and the other promoters of the Manchester Cotton Company at Madras, have been sorely disappointed, and that the undertaking is now being wound-up. The cotton presses, cotton gins, steam engines, machinery, land, houses, stores, and all other property belonging to the company in Karwar and the Dharwar district, are already advertised for sale. The company have sunk a very large capital in Shedashghur or Karwar, and the failure will, we fear, result in a great loss to shareholders.—*Indian Daily News.*

H.R.H. THE DUKE DE BRABANT.—The mail steamer from Suez, which called at Madras on the 8th January, had on board his Highness the Duke de Brabant, who paid a short visit to the shore during the time the steamer was in the roads. His Excellency Sir W. Denison, Major-general McCleverty, and their respective suites, were on the pier to receive his highness. The Duke de Brabant proceeded to Government-house, and partook of the Governor's hospitality. On his return to the steamer several gentlemen had assembled on the pier to pay their respects to the duke, who appeared to be well pleased at the respect and hospitality he had met with. The native community was represented by the Hon. Shurfool Oomrah Bahadur, who was introduced by Sir William Denison to the duke, and was very politely received.

THE RED HILLS.—An excursion to this neighbourhood will amply reward holiday-makers who may take the trouble to travel as far as the Red Hills. Leading to the Hills there is a splendid carriage-road, decidedly one of the best in Madras. The lake is exceedingly full—more than is usual even at this season of the year, there being sufficient water to float a comparatively large sized pinnace. The beauty of the scenery is exquisite. Nature seems to revel luxuriantly in verdant fields; few are the barren and uncultivated spots on which the eye may rest, the corn stalks bend with their ripening load—in a word, the country seems to invite the weary from his drudgery to a glorious indulgence for a few days in

pleasure and health. The temperature is mild and bracing, the air is cool and yet not disagreeably keen, the rays of the sun are in a great measure tempered by the humidity of the atmosphere, and the Red Hills seem to recommend themselves as an unquestionable sanatorium for the sickly invalid. It is to be deplored that the public does not avail itself more largely of the natural attractions of this lovely little village, and of the advantages to be derived by life at, and cultivation of, the Red Hills.

PROGRESS IN HYDERABAD.—The Nizam of the Deccan, charmed with the beautiful results obtained by the British Government, by the institution of boards and bodies, has set up a Revenue Board of his own. His Highness has likewise thought of a Court of Appeal, and with these two imitations of John Company's weaknesses, it must be confessed that the happiness of his people must be complete. The Board of Revenue at Hyderabad seem, however, to possess rather anomalous functions. According to a writer in the *Englishman* it has determined that all Jagheers, Inams, endowments, &c., which have been conferred within the last twenty-six years, shall be re-called. This period fixes it to the time when Rajah Chundoolal quitted office, and is an official expression of the opinion that, since that period till Salar Jung obtained office, all has been absolute anarchy, a phantasma. Chundoolal's administration was most profuse in gifts of this nature, an inquiry into which, however, would have taken away from numerous influential persons privileges and rights which, not by the gift of Chundoolal, but by prescription, have become legally their own. It would surprise any one unacquainted with the state of Hyderabad to see how many of these gifts, bestowed within this period, are held under Sunnuds granted by Talookdars, and by Zemindars. Chundoolal had just as little right as these persons to give away anything permanently, but to call his grants into question would be a bouleversement of the condition of most of the subjects and servants of the Nizam. Then, again, the Board have framed regulations for the district police, probably it being a necessary portion of the duty of the police to collect his Highness's revenues. Fully resolved to carry their energy into every minute detail of the administration, in laudable emulation of the Bengal board, the Nizam's board of revenue have ruled that its Amlah shall not absent itself from its duties on the plea of sickness without sending in a medical certificate. (!) It would be laughable to think that a matter so trivial should be put forward in commendation of the board, but a stranger can have no conception of the retardation of business in every office of the Government but the Minister's own, by the subordinate officers absenting themselves on the occasions of births, marriages, or deaths occurring in their family, although of persons distantly connected with them, and of celebrations of all sorts.—*Hurkaru.*

MEMORIAL HALL CONVOCATION.—The last general convocation for thanksgiving took place on Saturday evening, January 7, at the Memorial-hall, the Hon. Hatley Frere having consented to take the chair on this occasion. The following gentlemen took their places on the dais:—His Lordship the Bishop, the Hon. Hatley Frere, the Archdeacon, the Rev. Messrs. Synonds, Richards, Smith, Gray, Corbold, Bartlett, Bower, Bell, Stephenson, Burgess, and Vencataramiah.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 6. Belvidera, Deane, London.—7. Tyburnia, Coote, London; str. Kaina, Frott, Sunderland.—12. Sam Carns, Whinney, Liverpool.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 6. Augusta Durin, Ganjam, Pondicherry; Rajasthan, Wilson, Calcutta.—7. str. Queen of the South, Frain, London.—9. Hotspur, Toynebe, London via Cape.

COMMERCIAL.

Madras, Jan. 13, 1865.

BANK OF MADRAS.

Interest on Loans on deposit of Govt. Securities... 9 per ct.
On Cash Credits on do. (subject to commission of ½ per cent. on the sum granted) on amount drawn... 7 per ct.
Discount on Government Bills... 5 per ct.
Ditto on Private Bills, at or within 3 months... 9 per ct.
Loans on deposit of Government paper... 7 per ct.

EXCHANGES.

Document Bills, at 6 months' sight... 2 ½
Credit to 6 months... 2 0
Agents' Bills on England, at 6 months... 2 0
" " " at 3 months... 2 0
" " " at 1 month... 2 0
" " " at sight... 1 ½
H.M.'s Treasury Bills... None.
Bank of England Post Bills... None.
Mauritius Government Bills... Nominal.
Ceylon ditto... "
Court of Directors' Bill on the Government of Bengal, 30 days' sight... None.
Agents' Bills on Calcutta, 30 days... ½ dis.
Ditto on Bombay... ½ dis.

RATES OF ADVANCE.

On Govt. 5½ per cent. Promissory Notes... 100 per ct.
Ditto 5 ditto ditto... 95 per ct.
Ditto 4½ ditto ditto... 90 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto... 80 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto Stock Receipts... 85 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto Promissory Notes Sicca... 85 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto Company's... 75 per ct.
Ditto 3½ ditto ditto ditto... — per ct.
On Tanjore ditto ditto ditto... 98 per ct.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

5½ per cent. Loan... 1859... 10 pm
5 per cent. ditto... 1856-57... 2½ pm
4 per cent. ditto... 1852-53... 8½ dis.
Ditto... 1853-54... 8½ dis.
Ditto... 1854-55... 8½ dis.
5 per cent. Transferable Book Debt... No transaction.
Tanjore Bonds... ½ per ct. dis.
Bank of Madras Shares... 118 per ct. pm.

PRICE OF BULLION.

Sovereigns... each Rs. 10-3-6

FREIGHTS.

London and Liverpool.—Saltpetre, £1. 5s.; Hides, &c., £4; Cotton, £3. 10s. to £3. 12s. 6d.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

WHARFAGE ACCOMMODATION.—The Government of Bombay, to protect the public from the consequences of a monopoly of the whole foreshore of the island by two or three great Land Companies have, the *Gazette* states, appointed a commission to inquire into the subject of wharfage accommodation and wharfage dues. The Government can, if it thinks proper, withhold its sanction to the scale of fees to be finally adopted by any of the companies, which is, in fact, to fix and regulate the wharfage fees. Mr. Inverarity, Commissioner of Customs, is President of the Commission, which is composed of nominees of the Chamber of Commerce, and of the Wharfage and Railway Companies.

ARCHDEACON LYE.—The Bishop of Bombay has appointed the Rev. C. H. Leigh Lye, Archdeacon of Bombay, as successor to Mr. Boyes, who has gone home. The appointment is the best that could be made, though Mr. Leigh Lye is still a junior chaplain.

KATTYWAR.—The last petty conspiracy in Guzerat has been trampled out by the energetic Colonel Keating. His last report spoke of "the landing of armed mercenaries on the coasts of Kattywar." The *Bombay Gazette* now states that all the ringleaders, and especially the soucars who had advanced money to enlist troops, have been arrested. Whether they will be tried by a commission or by court-martial has not yet been decided.

THE KOOKEES.—The *Englishman* states that the Kookes on the frontier at Chittagong have attacked the villages in the district of Poangra, and that application has been made for more police.

MR. L. C. INNES, C.S.—The Queen has been pleased to appoint Lewis Charles Innes, Esq., of the Madras Civil Service, to be a judge of the High Court of Judicature at Madras.



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Fort William, Dec. 22.—The undermen. officer has reported his return from England:—Lieut. col. E. S. Dennis, of the Bengal inf., date of arrival at Fort William, Dec. 13.

The undermen. officer having completed 20 yrs. service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be maj., from the date specified opposite to his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. (Brevet maj.) A. W. Owen, Dec. 20.

The undermen. officer having completed 12 yrs. service, 4 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt., from the date specified opposite to his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Lieut. J. W. H. Johnstone, Dec. 20.

The services of Lieut. D. M. Strong, of the gen. list, inf., asst. dist. superint. of police, Benares div., are placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C., with effect from the 1st inst.

H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Capt. H. B. Lockwood, of the late 4th European L.C., and late adjt. of H.E.'s body guard, to the stud dept., for gen. duty, under the superint. of studs, until further orders.

Dec. 28.—The undermentioned officer has reported his return from England:—

Capt. H. C. E. Ward, Bengal staff corps, asst. comr., Central Provinces; date of arrival at Bombay, Dec. 12.

H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following temporary arrangements in the adjt. gen.'s dept.:—

Capt. C. H. S. Scott, offic. asst. adjt. gen., to offic. as 1st asst. adjt. gen., with effect from Oct. 1, 1864.

Maj. H. E. Iremonger, offic. dep. asst. adjt. gen., to offic. as asst. adjt. gen., with effect from Oct. 1, 1864.

Lieut. col. S. J. Hire, brigade major, Jullundur, to offic. as dep. asst. adjt. gen.

Appointment:—

Punjab Irregular Force.

5th Inf.—Lieut. M. A. Rowlandson, Madras staff corps, adjt. 41st Madras N.I., to be gmr., to fill an existing vacancy.

Maj. T. C. Darnell, Bengal staff corps, has an extension of leave from Nov. 23 to Dec. 13, 1864, the date on which he reported his return to Bengal from furl. to Europe.

The undermentioned officer is admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the date specified opposite to his name, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. A. C. Toker, gen. list, inf., doing duty officer, 18th (the Alipore) regt. N.I.; Dec. 29, 1862.

Appointment:—

Maj. H. E. Iremonger, late 21st N.I., major of brigade, and offic. asst. adjt. gen. at head quarters, to be asst. adjt. gen. of div., in succ. to Maj. G. C. Synge, who has rejoined his regt., the 52nd L.I., under orders to return to England.

Maj. Iremonger will continue to offic. in the adjt. gen.'s dept. at head quarters till further orders.

Dec. 29.—The undermentioned officers have reported their return from England:—

Capt. W. R. Tucker, R.E., Lieut. R. G. Smyth, R.E., exec. engr., 4th class, public works dept., Bengal, Lieut. J. F. Trevanion, of the late 21st regt. N.I., Surg. S. C. Townsend, medical dept.; date of arrival at Fort William, Dec. 21, 1864.

The services of the undermentioned officers are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept.:—

Lieut. D. W. Laughton, Madras staff corps, offic. adjt. of 3rd inf., Hyderabad Contingent.

Lieut. A. G. W. Hemans, gen. list, Madras cav., offic. paid doing duty officer, 2nd cav., Hyderabad Contingent.

Dec. 30.—The services of Lieut. col. E. S. Dennis, of the Bengal inf., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the Punjab, with effect from the 23rd inst.

The underment. officers are admitted to the Ben-

gal staff corps, with effect from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. W. J. Steward, of the royal art., revenue surveyor in charge 4th div., Lower Provs., Feb. 19, 1861.

Lieut. J. W. Taylor, of the royal art., asst. surveyor in charge 2nd div., Central Provs., Feb. 19, 1861.

Lieut. F. Coddington, of the royal art., asst. surveyor in charge 3rd div., Oude, Jan. 13, 1862.

Lieut. W. Barron, of the royal art., asst. surveyor, N.W. frontier, July 4, 1862.

Lieut. A. D. Butter, of H.M.'s 107th foot, asst. revenue surveyor, 1st div., Oude, July 17, 1862.

Lieut. W. H. Wilkins, of the royal art., asst. rev. surveyor, 1st div., Central Provs., May 11, 1864.

BY THE LIEUT GOVERNOR.

Dec. 16.—No. 6,603.—Appointments:—

Mr. W. E. Ward to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Sarun.

Capt. E. St. George to offic. as principal of the Calcutta Mudrassa, during the absence on leave of Capt. Lees.

Dec. 17.—Mr. G. E. Makgill, asst. mag. and coll., to have charge of the sub div. of Chooadangah, and to exercise the powers of a mag. and dep. coll. in Nuddea.

Mr. E. E. Lewis to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Nuddea.

Mr. P. A. Humphery to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Rajshahye.

Mr. G. Graham officiated as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Tirhoot from Sept. 26 to Oct. 31 last.

Mr. J. D. Gordon is deputed on special duty to the districts of Chumparun, Tirhoot, Purneah, and Darjeeling, and is vested with the powers of a mag. in those districts.

Dec. 19.—Mr. A. Abercrombie to offic. as additional judge of Dacca.

Dec. 20.—The following gentlemen to be additional members of the Municipal Committee at Berhampore:—

Messrs. R. M. Towers, W. P. Davis, C. Jennina, G. M. Jackson.

Dec. 21.—Mr. D. J. McNeile to offic. as mag. and coll. of Noacolly during absence on leave of Mr. G. A. Pepper.

Dec. 15.—Leave:—

Mr. E. F. Lantour, addit. judge of Bhaugulpore, for 1 year from 1st prox.

Dec. 17.—Mr. G. A. Pepper, mag. and coll. of Noacolly, for 2 mo. from date he may avail himself of same.

Dec. 20.—Mr. R. Barclay, senior sub asst. revenue surveyor, 3rd or Eastern div., for 10 days, in ext.

Dec. 20.—Commissions of the peace were issued by the High Court of Judicature at Fort William, in Bengal, on the 22nd ult., directed to the undermentioned officers serving in the Lower Provinces:—

Mr. F. Wyer, Purneah.

Mr. E. B. Godfrey, Sylhet.

Mr. F. Grant, Rajshahye.

Mr. R. W. Barber, Noacolly.

Mr. A. Rattray, Midnapore.

Mr. W. Scott, Rajshahye.

Mr. J. J. S. Driberg, Assam.

Mr. H. W. Mackenzie, Assam.

Major H. C. Adlam, Rajshahye.

Mr. R. H. Pawsey, Bongong, Nuddea.

Dec. 22.—The leave to Mr. H. C. B. C. Raban, dep. comsnr. of Nowgong, on 23rd ult., is cancelled, at his own request.

Mr. D. Cunliffe, of the civil service, reported his departure from India on 10th inst., per steamship *Candia*.

REGISTRATION OF ASSURANCES.

The following appts. made under this Act are notified:—

Mr. W. L. Heeley, C.S., to be registrar-general.

Baboo C. M. Chatterjee, to be district registrar, Calcutta.

The magistrates of districts to be ex-officio dist. registrars within their respective jurisdictions.

The officers in charge of sub divs. to be ex-officio dep. registrars within their respective jurisdictions.

The following officers to be dep. registrars of the sub districts having head qrs. at Sudder stations of districts:—

Bhaugulpore.—Mr. W. H. Grimley, C.S.

Monghyr.—Mr. M. Little.

Purneah.—Mr. B. R. Perry.

Burdwan.—Koomar C. Roy.

Bancoorah.—Mr. H. Clark, C.S.

Sooree.—Mr. W. W. Hunter, C.S.

Hooghly.—Baboo R. D. Mookerjeea.

Howrah.—Baboo K. C. Roy.

Midnapore.—Mr. A. Yardley, C.S.

Chittagong.—Mr. R. H. Wilson, C.S.

Commillah.—Mr. L. Barber.

Cuttack.—Mr. C. W. Mackenzie.

Balasore.—Moulvie M. Abdoolah.

Pooree.—Mr. J. J. Livesay, C.S.

Dacca.—Mr. D. R. Lyall, C.S.

Burrisaul.—Baboo T. Chatterjee, B.A.

Furreedpore.—Mr. C. E. C. Merington, C.S.

Mymensing.—Mr. J. Boxwell, C.S.

Sylhet.—Mr. F. W. J. Rees, C.S.

Kisnagur.—Baboo S. C. Chatterjee.

Jessore.—Moulavie Obedoolah.

Alipore.—Moulavie S. A. Hossein.

Patna.—Mr. D. M. Barbour, C.S.

Gya.—Mr. J. A. Hopkins, C.S.

Mooteeharee.—Baboo J. Bose, B.A.

Arrah.—R. F. Hutchinson, Esq., M.D.

Mozufferpore.—Mr. H. Doveton.

Rampore Beaulah.—Baboo M. N. Banerjee.

Bograh.—Baboo U. C. R. Chowdry.

Dinagore.—Mr. J. W. Tawney, C.S.

Maldah.—Mr. T. W. Gribble, C.S.

Berhampore.—Mr. R. M. Towers, C.S.

Pubna.—Mr. T. Norman, C.S.

Rungpore.—Mr. W. Wavell, C.S.

Darjeeling.—Mr. H. Beverley, C.S.

Rajmehal.—Mr. W. M. Smith.

Kamroop.—Mr. H. Driver.

Gowalparah.—Lieut. Hayter.

Nowgong.—Lieut. A. E. Campbell.

Luckimpore.—Lieut. N. Lewis.

Cachar.—Mr. J. W. Edgar, C.S.

Sebsaugor.—Mr. R. Falcon.

Hazareebaugh.—Mr. J. Wetland, C.S.

Ranchee.—Lieut. E. G. Lillingston.

Purulia.—Mr. J. O'Kinealy, C.S.

Dec. 22.—No. 394.—Appts.:—

Capt. W. R. Tucker, R.E., exec. engr. of the 2nd class, having returned to India from sick leave, is app. to offic. as exec. engr. of the Berhampore div. during the absence of Capt. E. Perkins, R.E., the exec. engr. now on special service at Bootan.

No. 395.—Lieut. R. G. Smyth, R.E., exec. engr. of the 4th class, having returned to India from sick leave, is app. to offic. as exec. engr. of the Damooda div. during the absence of Lieut. H. W. Garnault, R.E., the exec. engr. now on special service in Bootan.

Dec. 12.—Mr. H. Clark, asst. coll., has been directed to retain his charge of the Bancoorah treasury, and is authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Dacca, Dec. 7.—Mr. C. E. C. Merington, asst. to the coll. of Furreedpore, has been authorised to draw bills on Govt. treasuries.

AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION, BURDWAN.

The following gentlemen form the divisional committee and act with the commissioners:—

The Moha Rajah of Burdwan.

Baboo Joykissen Mookerjee, Hooghly.

Rajah Nilmoni Deo Singh, of Patcheta.

Baboo Saroda Prosad Roy, Burdwan.

Mr. J. Cheek, Bancoorah.

Mr. J. Cockburn, Midnapore.

Mr. J. Erskine, Burdwan.

Rev. R. P. Greaves, Burdwan.

Mr. Stuart Hogg, Burdwan.

Mr. J. E. S. Lillie, Burdwan.

Mr. A. A. Mantell, M.D., Burdwan.

Mr. H. C. Sutherland, Burdwan.

Dec. 1.—No. 6,730.—Appointments:—

Rev. W. C. Fyfe, Calcutta, is licensed to solemnise marriages and to grant certificates of marriages between native Christians being converts from any religion in India.

Dec. 20.—Lieut. col. H. Bruce, C.B., to be insp. gen. of police in the Lower Provinces.

Mr. C. F. Carnac to be civil and sessions judge of Jessore, but to continue to offic. as insp. gen. of police until relieved by Lieut. col. Bruce.

Dec. 23.—Lieut. E. G. Lillingston, asst. comr. of Lohardugga, is vested with the powers of a mag. in that district.

Dec. 24.—Mr. E. H. Whinfield to be a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade in Champaran, but to continue to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Rajshahye, until relieved by Mr. Humphery.

Dec. 29.—Mr. A. Rattray, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Nugwan, is vested with the judicial powers of a superint. of salt chowkies.

Dec. 23.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. K. H. Stephen, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Manickgunge, for 3 mo.

Mr. T. Wilson, sub dep. opium agent of Benares,

for 1 mo., from the date on which he may make over charge of his office to Mr. C. M. Armstrong, sub-dep. opium agent of Ghazepore, who will conduct the duties of the Benares div. in addition to his own.

Dec. 28.—Mr. J. A. Ricketts, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Howrah, for 1 mo., from 27th inst.

Mr. A. Blair, asst. superint. of police, Lohardugga, for 1 mo.

Dec. 24.—The services of Dr. C. Archer, civil surg. of Dacca, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the military dept., at his own request.

No. 400.—Mr. H. W. Stevens, local asst. engr. 2nd cl., attached to the Behar (Local Road) div., has prep. leave for 3 weeks, to Presidency, anterior to m.c. to England.

Dec. 29.—No. 401.—Mr. W. Fernie, app. probat. asst. engineer, and attached to Bengal, is posted to the Burrakur div.

Jan. 3.—No. 3.—Mr. W. B. Trenwith is app. on probation an overseer of 2nd grade in the upper subordinate establishment of the public works dept. in Bengal, and posted to the Assam Circle.

Camp Chuprah, Dec. 19.—Mr. J. A. Hopkins, asst. collector, has been placed in charge of the treasury of Behar on Nov. 10, and has been authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Burdwan, Dec. 12.—Mr. H. Clark, asst. collector, has been directed to retain charge of the Bancoorah treasury, and is authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Calcutta, Dec. 23.—The Rev. E. H. Blyth, of University College, Oxford, M.A., junior chaplain, has been app. by the Bishop of Calcutta surrogate in this archdeaconry for granting episcopal licences of marriage.

The New Medical Warrant.

No. 1,060.—Fort William, Dec. 23, 1864.—The following military letter from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India, No. 340, of the 7th November, 1864, is published for general information:—

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Governor-general of India in Council.

Sir,—In continuation of my despatch, No. 152, dated 16th May, 1864, and with reference to your reply thereto, No. 242 of the 29th June, 1864, I have now the honour to communicate to your Excellency the decision at which H.M.'s Government has arrived regarding the future establishment of medical officers for service in India.

[Here follows copy of the despatch, which was published in No. 652 of November 28, 1864.]

No. 1,064.—The despatch published in the foregoing general order having been received on the 14th inst., its provisions, with such modifications as are hereafter directed, will come into effect from that date.

2. With reference to paragraphs 15 and 16, the Governor-general in Council is pleased to direct that, under further orders, the numbers of the administrative staff of H.M.'s British and Indian medical services in the three presidencies and the present system of medical administration shall remain unchanged.

3. To enable the future establishment of the Indian medical service to be laid down, it is requested that the Governments of Fort Saint George and Bombay will forward to the military department of the Government of India a detailed statement of the number of medical officers of H.M.'s Indian service required for the duties of those presidencies under the system now ordered, taking into account, as directed in paragraph 20 of the despatch of the Secretary of State, the several situations which may be properly filled by uncovenanted members of the medical profession.

4. Any assistant surgeons on the establishment of the three presidencies who may be entitled to promotion under paragraph 24 of the despatch are to be at once promoted with effect from the 14th of December, 1864.

5. The rates of pay specified in para. 28 of the despatch will be passed from the 14th instant, officers now in the Indian service continuing to receive the pay of their rank as laid down in para. 10 of Sir C. Wood's despatch of 16th May, 1864, G.G.O. No. 507, dated 20th June, 1864, when such pay is in excess of the consolidated salaries now fixed.

6. The pay of medical officers of H.M.'s British forces in India, as laid down in G.G.O. No. 507, of 20th June, and No. 953 of 26th November, 1864, is unaffected by this order.

7. Pending the revision of the salaries of all medical appointments in the civil and military departments directed in para. 30 of Sir C. Wood's

despatch, officers holding such appointments will draw the same aggregate salaries as at present, and remuneration of all extra regimental charges as well as the salaries authorised for the charge of divisional and brigade staff, will continue to be passed.

8. Officers now holding the appointment of deputy inspectors-general of hospitals will have the benefit of serving the periods prescribed in para. 32 of the despatch, but officers hereafter appointed to this office will vacate it, if not re-appointed after a tour of five years.

9. The rules regarding absentee pay of inspectors-general and deputy inspectors-general, contained in para. 38 of the despatch, will at once be brought into operation.

10. Such promotions and alterations of rank as may be rendered necessary by para. 41 of the despatch will be made as soon as practicable by the Governments of Fort St. George and Bombay, and a roll of such promotions and alterations of rank as may be requisite in the Bengal Presidency will be submitted to the Government of India in the usual manner.

Station Staff Appointments.

Fort William, Dec. 29.—With reference to G.O. by the Gov. gen., No. 156a, of Oct. 13, 1863, the following rules are laid down for the classification of "station staff appts." at garrisons for which a brigade major or fort adjt. may not be authorised, with effect from Jan. 1, 1865:—

I. First Class.—With a staff salary of Rs. 150 per mensem (including all office charges), stations at which not less than the head quarters of two British regiments, or the head quarters of one British and one Native regiment and a battery of British artillery, are located.

II. Second Class.—With a staff salary of Rs. 100 (including all office charges), stations at which are located the head quarters of one British and one Native regiment; or of one Native regiment and a battery of British artillery and a detachment of a British regiment; or of a Native regiment, a wing of a British regiment, and a detachment of a second Native corps; or the head quarters of three Native regiments; or where there are detachments of a British and of two Native regiments of not less than two troops or companies each and without any regimental staff officer; or where there are wings or detachments of a British and a Native regiment and a battery of British artillery.

III. Third Class.—With salary of Rupees 50 (including all office charges). Such stations as have the head quarters of a British regiment with a battery of British artillery or with a wing of Native infantry, or of two Native regiments; or detachments of a British and of a Native regiment, of not less than three companies in the aggregate without a regimental staff officer; or the head quarters of a Native regiment and a British detachment.

2. At other stations the rule laid down in G.G.O. No. 1,461 of Oct. 28, 1859, as below, will hold good.

[At other stations where a station staff officer may be required and is authorised, the duties will be performed by one of the regimental staff officers, who will receive, if the force be less than two regiments, Rupees (25) twenty-five per mensem including writing and stationery.]

3. No detachment is to be reckoned unless equal to, or exceeding a troop or company, and no merely temporary diminution of strength of a garrison is to affect the salary of a station staff officer.

4. Station staff appointments can be held by officers of regiments quartered at the stations, or by unemployed officers of the staff corps or Indian armies. When officers not of the staff corps hold these appointments, the staff salary will be in addition to their regimental pay and allowances.

5. No officer will be allowed to hold the appointment of station staff who is not eligible for staff employment under existing rules, or who has not passed the examination in the lower standard, as laid down in Government General Order No. 734 of Sept. 9, 1864, unless at stations where there are only British troops, or temporarily, where no passed officer is available.

6. No appt. of a station staff officer will have effect unless made or confirmed by H.E. the C. in C. This order is applicable to the three Presidencies.

With reference to G.O. by the Gov. gen. No. 156a of Oct. 13, 1863, the following rules are laid down for the classification of "Convalescent Depots":—

I. First Class.—With a command allowance of 200 rupees. All depots intended for 200 men or upwards.

II. Second Class.—With a command allowance

of 100 rupees. All depots intended for less than 200 men.

Staff officers of first class depots will receive a staff salary of 150 rupees, and of second class depots of 10 rupees per mensem—these salaries to include all office charges.

This order is applicable to the three Presidencies.

BIRTHS.

HARRIS—At Madras, on the 6th Jan., the wife of T. D. Harris, Esq., C.E., of a daughter.

HERBERT—At 6, Lower Circular Road, on the 6th Jan., the wife of J. H. Herbert, Esq., of a daughter.

HOLLWAY—At Elgin, Scotland, on the 26th Nov., the wife of F. H. Hollway, Esq., of Tirhoot, of a son and heir.

NASH—At Ootacamund, on the 9th Jan., the wife of James T. Nash, Esq., of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BAGGE—DUKE.—At Christ Church, Rangoon, on the 15th Dec., Lieut. Arthur Herbert Bagge, Royal Engineers, to Caroline Mary, second daughter of Major-General Thomas Assheton Duke, Commanding Pegu Division.

FRANCK—DARLING.—At Coonoor, on the 5th Jan., Joseph Franck, Esq., to Amy, youngest daughter of the late Lieut. T. Darling.

DEATHS.

CHANDLER—At Terumungalum, Madura District, of cholera, on Jan. 4, Willie H., son of Rev. J. E. Chandler, American missionary, aged 6 years.

JACKSON—At 28, Theatre-road, on Jan. 4, Cecil, son of Elphinstone Jackson, Esq., C.S., aged 8½ years.

JOHNSON—At Meerut, on Jan. 1, Ann, the wife of H. C. Ross Johnson, Esq., Inner Temple, barrister-at-law, aged 27 years.

TROTTER—At Alexandria, on board the P. and O. Co.'s steamer *Delhi*, Arthur William, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Trotter, aged 8 months.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c., IN H.M.'s REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA. Feb. 10.

Royal Artillery.—2nd Capt. W. L. Yonge to be capt., v. Brev. maj. F. C. Griffin, killed in action; Dec. 18, 1864. The promotion of Capt. T. A. J. Harrison to be antedated to Dec. 7, 1864; the promotion of Capt. J. D. G. Higgon to be antedated to Dec. 10, 1864; the promotion of Capt. J. M. C. Vibart to be antedated to Dec. 11, 1864; the promotion of Capt. W. Booth to be antedated to Dec. 15, 1864; the promotion of 2nd Capt. C. C. Theobald, and the retirement on half-pay of 2nd Capt. J. Vibart, to be antedated to July 21, 1864; 2nd Capt. C. V. Arbuckle, from the supernumerary list, to be 2nd capt., v. C. Hunter, removed to the supernumerary list; Nov. 1, 1864; Lieut. C. E. Basevi to be 2nd capt., v. F. Swanson, removed to the supernumerary list; Nov. 11, 1864; Lieut. R. B. Webster to be 2nd capt., v. Yonge; Jan. 10.

The promotion of the undermentioned officers to be antedated as follows:—

2nd Capt. F. Howlett to Dec. 7, 1864.
2nd Capt. G. Arbuthnot to Dec. 10, 1864.
2nd Capt. R. Sadleir to Dec. 11, 1864.
2nd Capt. W. R. Barlow to Dec. 15, 1864.
2nd Capt. R. C. Smith to Dec. 17, 1864.
2nd Capt. C. S. V. Wilson to Dec. 18, 1864.

Gent. cadet H. A. Boyce, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., v. F. A. Anderson, killed in action; Feb. 10.

Gent. cadet V. R. Woodland, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., v. Basevi, prom.; Feb. 10.

The appointment of 2nd Capt. H. Le Cocq as adjutant to be antedated to May 15, 1864.

2nd Capt. J. McNeill to be adjutant, v. Gordon, who resigns the adjutancy only; Sept. 10, 1864.

2nd Capt. T. P. Berthon to be adjutant, v. Hardy, prom.; Oct. 1, 1864.

2nd Capt. C. G. Robinson to be adjutant, v. E. Simeon, prom.; Oct. 22, 1864.

Royal Engineers.—Lieut. D. Ward to be 2nd capt., v. Brev. maj. P. Stewart, c.b., dec.; Jan. 17. BREVET.

Maj. gen. J. E. Dupuis, c.b., from the supernumerary list, to be major general on the fixed establishment, v. Maj. gen. R. S. Armstrong, dec.; Jan. 19.

To Correspondents.

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JUNIOR OFFICERS.

HOWEVER naturally the officers of the old Bengal and Bombay armies may plume themselves on the peaceful laurels won by their comrades and brothers-in-arms amid the wild solitudes and still more inhospitable peoples of Central Africa, there is a matter which concerns the efficiency of their service much more closely than the discovery of Lake Nyanza, or even of the sources of the Nile. Whether that fabled river flows out of an inland sea, or issues in dribblets from a mountain's side, is a question quite suitable for the idle industry of geographers, but which cannot be regarded as of any practical utility to mankind at large, and far less to that portion of her Majesty's forces serving in India. Of much greater moment is it to discover the sources whence the future supply of officers is to be derived to provide a reserve against the ordinary contingencies of a military career in the East. In the Bengal Presidency, owing to the defection of the sepoys and the consequent collapse of the entire native army, there was, for some time, a plethora of unemployed officers, and even now there remains an excess of supply over demand. Every year, however, that passes by sensibly reduces this "stock-in-hand," and, ere long, the same want will be felt that has already been experienced in the sister Presidencies. For the higher grades of staff employment, whether civil or military, no lack of candidates need be feared. Rank, comparative independence, and handsome allowances, will never fail to attract applicants possessed of every degree of merit. The difficulty only arises when subordinate posts, with scanty remuneration, have to be filled up; and yet if a good foundation be not laid, no lasting superstructure can ever be raised. It is now very nearly two years since it was commonly rumoured in Bombay that both Sir William Mansfield and Sir Bartle Frere had directed the attention of the Home Government to the drying up of the sources whence a supply of young officers

was to be obtained for police duties and the humbler grades of staff employ. At that time the entire reserve, or surplus, consisted of no more than seventy officers, and of these upwards of a dozen were absorbed in the early part of 1863. Indeed, the annual consumption, according to the average rate of casualties, is estimated at very nearly thirty, so that by this time there cannot be more than twenty or thirty supernumeraries left "in stock." And even in 1863 it had become necessary to decline compliance with a requisition made by the Supreme Government for young probationary officers to serve with police corps. Besides, no small number of clever and promising subalterns have been detached from military duties to assist in the Public Works Department, and thus, with a diminution of the raw material there has been a constantly increasing demand for the manufactured article. This deficiency in the junior grades would be felt as a serious weakness should the Indian Government unhappily become involved in lengthened hostilities. One sharp campaign, even, might make a breach in the ranks of the senior officers which, under existing circumstances, it would be no easy matter to repair. It may be that a thorough soldier, like a poet, must be endowed by nature with a certain amount of inspiration, but for all that it cannot be doubted that personal experience and a familiar acquaintance with details are equally indispensable. But these essential requisites cannot be looked for in beardless boys who have scarcely mastered the mysteries of the goose step. The directors of the East India Company kept this obvious truism ever in mind, and took care to have a sufficient number of supernumerary ensigns always ready to take the places of those promoted to a higher rank. Of late, however, no cadets have been sent out to learn their duty on the spot, nor has the expectation been fulfilled that officers of European regiments would volunteer for service with native troops. The simple fact that, whoever entered the staff corps thereby forfeited whatever he had paid for his commission and subsequent steps, was of itself sufficient not only to make men pause, but to determine them as to remaining with their regiments. Neither was it likely that men devoted to their profession, and eager to distinguish themselves, would voluntarily forego all chance of displaying their valour and prowess in the face of an European enemy, and, as it were, under the very eyes of their own fellow-countrymen. But, whatever the cause, it is beyond all dispute that there is a scarcity of junior officers in the Indian armies, and it is equally apparent that no steps are being taken to remedy that evil. What, then, is the intention of the Govern-

ment? Is it proposed to do away with the employment of military men in the public works and in civil or magisterial capacities? No doubt uncovenanted civilians and trained surveyors and engineers might be found to fill such posts, with adequate ability, and possibly at no greater cost than under the present system; but in the absence of such prizes the service would lose what few attractions remain to it, and no young men of promise would care to accept of an appointment that sentenced them for life to the monotony of a native corps. Service in India is by no means too popular as it is, though there is still some hope left to brighten the gloomy horizon. But let the few advantages it now possesses be taken away, and no man will be found to enter upon it who can earn an honest livelihood in any other profession or calling. Still the question recurs, how is it intended to supply the raw material for our future Malcolms, Nicholsons, and Outrams?

THE TALOOKDARS OF OUDE.

THE explicit and straightforward answer given by Sir Charles Wood to Lord Stanley's inquiry as to Sir John Lawrence's alleged interference with the rights of the Oude Talookdars will, it is to be hoped, put an end to the hasty and uncalled-for agitation that has been set on foot on behalf of the landowners of that province. A London weekly contemporary, a well-known organ of the Conservative party, has been particularly conspicuous in appealing to public opinion against the assumed intention of the Viceroy to repeat the errors of the settlement officers in the north-west. In a series of well written but highly coloured articles—in which the agony is sometimes piled up to a very tall height—the people of England are warned that their "good name for truth and honesty, which has always been (their) pillar of strength in India" is about to be "for ever tarnished"—like an electroplate ornament displayed in a smoky room. Sir John Lawrence, so we are assured, is bent upon undoing the beneficial work of Lord Canning—"in a word (he) is desirous of depriving the Talookdars of the proprietary rights which they indefeasibly hold in their estates, and of converting them into mere Government rent collectors," although by so doing he is certain to "outrage the feelings, and alienate the goodwill and loyalty of the people whom he has been appointed to govern." These are, unquestionably, very serious charges to bring against her Majesty's representative in India, and, if substantiated, would justify the instant dismissal and disgrace of such an unjust steward. Let us examine, then, into the grounds on which this impeachment is laid.

In the first place, we are reminded of her Majesty's gracious Proclamation on the assumption by the Crown of the direct Government of India, and our attention is particularly directed to the following paragraph:—"We know and respect the feelings of attachment with which the natives of India regard the lands inherited by them from their ancestors; and We desire to protect them in all rights connected therewith, subject to the equitable demands of the State; and We will that generally, in framing and administering the Law, due regard be paid to the rights, usages, and customs of India." In virtue of this august declaration the Talookdars of Oude have hitherto felt the most perfect confidence in the inalienable nature of their ancient rights and titles, and have administered their vast estates in the most liberal and enlightened manner. "These Talookdars," we are told on the authority of Mr. Kaye, "have always been regarded as independent landlords, who have held their estates subject only to the payment of the annual revenue to the State, and to their remaining 'faithful and zealous in their allegiance to the British Government.'" Lord Canning himself characterised the Talookdaree system as "the ancient, indigenous, and cherished system of the country." The Talookdars, in short, are "the nobles and chiefs of the country, who have as much right to their possessions as any of our noble families have to their estate;" and what,—we are asked in a tone that brooks no difference of opinion—"what would the representatives of some of our great ducal houses say if an official investigation were now to be made into the manner in which their vast possessions were originally acquired, and if the result of such an investigation should prove that the present dukes were not the *bona fide* proprietors of their estates, which in reality belonged to the tenants who had acquired by prescription, or a long course of years, hereditary rights superior to their own?" And if some foreign conqueror were to declare that the tenants of the Duke of Northumberland, or of his Grace of Cleveland, were "the actual proprietors of the farms they are now cultivating, would it be thought strange if these noble dukes, in the event of a rebellion, felt but little inclination to side with their despoiler? But this is precisely what Sir John Lawrence proposes to do with the long descended Talookdars of Oude. "The Viceroy, in fact, is desirous of stepping in between the Talookdar and his tenants, and prescribing to him the rate at which he must let his lands." Truly, a hard case, and, seeing that, in almost all respects, "the power of the Talookdar over his estates is undoubted and illimitable," it is an evident encroachment upon his title

as a landlord to recognise any sort of proprietary rights in his tenants and subordinate cultivators of the soil. And if Sir John Lawrence is permitted to indulge his despotic humours in this unjustifiable fashion, can it be questioned that "Englishmen will be deterred from embarking their capital in India, and devoting the best years of their lives to the great work of contributing to the material, social, and ultimately, to the religious welfare of her people"? Certes, it would be a sad thing if the adventurous Anglo-Saxon were discouraged from bartering Christianity for cotton, and tracts for tea-leaves. It is such a well-known fact that the first thing a planter strives to accomplish is to make his ryots and coolies thoroughly comfortable, and then, after providing them with a mechanics' institute well supplied with the Calcutta papers, to bring them by precept and example into the Christian fold. Who would not grieve to mar the simple and touching picture of the Sir Roger de Coverley of Assam, or Cachar, proceeding in state to the village church, surrounded by his grateful coolies, their blooming wives, and reverential babes? Let us be thankful that no such disaster is at hand, that no such danger is impending. Sir John Lawrence has no more idea of depriving the Oude Talookdars of a single right to which they are fairly entitled, than he has of absolving the tenants of the Duke of Sutherland of their duty to pay his Grace the rent they owe him.

What the Viceroy really desires to do is to fulfil the spirit as well as the letter of her Majesty's most gracious proclamation to the princes, chiefs, and people of India. He is anxious that all owners of land, small as well as great, should be protected, and that due regard be paid to the rights, usages, and customs of the lowliest as well as of the loftiest of her Majesty's subjects in the Far East. He is fully aware—to use Mr. Kaye's concise and graphic description—that "the Talookdar was little more than an hereditary revenue contractor. His right was the right to all the just rents paid by the actual occupants, after the satisfaction of the Government claims. His property was the rent, *minus* the revenue of a particular estate. This Talookdaree right, or right of collection, was distinct from the Zemindaree right, or proprietary right in the soil. The Talookdar, who paid to Government the revenue of a large cluster of villages, had, perhaps, a proprietary right in some of these small estates; perhaps, in none. The proprietary right, in most instances, lay with the village communities." Neither can his Excellency be ignorant of the very hasty conclusion reached by Lord Canning *per saltum* that the Talookdaree system was "indigenous," and,

further, that in Oude the cultivator of the soil has no sub-proprietary right, or right of occupancy at a fixed unvarying rent. Sir John Lawrence, we may rest assured, thoroughly understands how it was Lord Canning, in the spirit of magnificence, overlooked the rights and usages of the small fry, and how Lord Elgin, in the spirit of affable indolence, decided upon letting well alone. But when the real state of the case was officially represented to him, when a very high officer of the Oude Commission insisted that for years past a large number of cottier-tenants had been kept out of their hereditary rights, could he do otherwise than order an impartial inquiry to be made, preparatory to meting out even-handed justice unto all? No man knows his duty better, or will discharge it more impartially and firmly, than the present Viceroy of India, and his knowledge of the customs and usages that prevail in the North-west is so extensive and familiar that he is not likely to be easily misled. Whatever power the Oude Talookdars are justly entitled to exercise, that they will continue to wield without let or hindrance. But they will certainly not be permitted to dispossess the humble tiller of the soil of that which has been bequeathed to him through a far longer "line of ancestors" than the proudest Talookdar can boast of, and which he enjoys, not, indeed, as the result of any "indigenous" system, but as a part of the institutions inherited from his Aryan forefathers. All that Sir John Lawrence seeks to attain is the realisation of that happy time when every man shall sit under his own fig-tree and no one shall make him afraid, and this, in simple truth, is the head and front of the offence for which he has so sharply been taken to task in the columns of our weekly contemporary, the *Press*.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 9. INDIAN PETITIONS.

Petitions were presented, by Colonel SYKES, from Captain and Brevet-major C. E. Taylor, of the Madras 35th Native Infantry, stating that the scheme to carry out the recommendations of her Majesty's Commissioners by the Secretary of State for India, published in the *Madras Gazette* of August, 1864, has not only failed to afford redress, but in his case has aggravated his grievances, and praying for redress of this and other grievances; also from Colonel W. B. Wemyss, of the Bengal Army, stating that he has been thirty-nine years in the service; that, in consequence of two lieutenant-colonels who have retired from the service upon their pensions being retained upon the army list, he is deprived of his colonel's allowances, which he should have had on the 30th of September, 1862; complaining likewise of other violations of the Parliamentary guarantee, and praying for redress; by Lord STANLEY, from Captain Whittaker, of the Indian Army, complaining of arrangements consequent on the amalgamation of the armies; by Mr. JACKSON, from W. D. Broughton and Thomas W. Seager, praying for inquiry and

consideration of their claims as Indian officers, affected by the recent changes made in the Army of India; by Captain JERVIS, from Colonel Bishop, Bengal Army, Lieutenant Grylls, late 18th Bengal Native Infantry, Captain Jenkyns, late 4th European Cavalry, and Lieutenant-colonel Strangways, Bengal Infantry, for redress of grievances.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 10.

Petitions complaining of the arrangements of the Government in respect of the Indian Army were presented by Colonel SYKES, from Major John Langston, of the 4th Bombay Native Rifles; also from Captain and Brevet-major James Blair, v.c., of the 2nd Bombay Light Cavalry; by Mr. MOOR, from Lieutenant-colonel Molyneux Capel Spottiswoode, 24th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; also from Major Francis Mardall, 16th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; from Captain John Alfred Ellis, 8th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and by Mr. H. J. BAILLIE, from Major Ewen Grant.

THE TALOOKDARS OF OUDE.

Lord STANLEY asked the right hon. baronet the Secretary for India whether the inquiry now being carried on into the respective rights of the talookdars and cultivators of Oude was in pursuance of instructions issued by him; and whether he would lay upon the table any correspondence that may have passed on the subject; and also whether he could give any explanation of the nature and purport of that inquiry?

Sir C. WOOD: I have no difficulty in answering the question of my noble friend, and as considerable misapprehension exists upon this subject, it may be desirable that I should state very briefly the circumstances under which this inquiry has been instituted. It has, I know, been represented that Sir John Lawrence has materially reversed the policy of Lord Canning with regard to the settlement in Oude, and been guilty of a breach of faith with the talookdars. I hope that the House will feel sure that Sir John Lawrence is incapable of doing anything of that kind. The great feature of Lord Canning's policy with regard to the settlement of Oude was to restore the talookdars to the position of independent native landowners and gentlemen, and to make the settlement direct with them, in lieu of the system which had prevailed in the North-West Provinces of a settlement with the under proprietors. That remains perfect and altogether untouched; but there is a question as to the existence of certain rights of cultivators in Oude. The Chief Commissioner believes that such rights did not exist; the Judicial Commissioner believes that they did. The Chief Commissioner admits frankly that if they did exist they are preserved under the summons of Lord Canning to the talookdars, in which a condition was inserted that all the rights of persons holding under them and subordinate to them should be secured; and the object of the inquiry ordered by Sir John Lawrence is simply to ascertain whether these rights did or did not exist. If the result should be that they did not exist, there is an end of the question. If the result should be that they did exist, then it will be the duty of the Government, under the stipulations of Lord Canning's grant to the talookdars, to respect them. It was not in consequence of any instructions from home that the inquiry was ordered. I shall not have the slightest objection to lay on the table all the papers that we have upon the subject. I am only sorry to say that some documents which we ought to have received have not been transmitted to us, and, therefore, the information which I can give to the House is, like what I possess myself, very imperfect.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 13.

CONTRACTS IN INDIA.

Sir H. CAIRNS asked the Secretary of State for India whether the Legislative Council of

India have passed an Act enabling district and other judges in India to enforce specific performance of personal contracts by sentencing the defendants in actions on such contracts to terms of imprisonment; and whether he would lay the Act upon the table?

Sir C. WOOD said that a measure for enacting a code of civil procedure had been published in India which contained some clauses for the purpose referred to in the question of the hon. and learned gentleman; but, as there was no intention to propose those clauses in the form in which they now stood, no object would be served by laying them upon the table.

THE EXPEDITION TO BHOOTAN.

Lord STANLEY inquired of the Secretary of State for India whether he would lay papers on the table showing the present state of affairs in Bhootan, especially with reference to the recent acquisition of territory in that country?

Sir C. WOOD said that had it not been necessary to go back some time in order to make the history of those transactions intelligible, he should have laid the papers on the table as soon as Parliament met; but they were in course of preparation, and would be produced as soon as they were ready. The extent of our acquisition would be confined to the occupation of a line of forts to protect our own territory.

MOORINGS AT CALCUTTA.

Sir J. ELPHINSTONE asked the Secretary of State for India whether anything as yet had been determined on towards replacing the defective moorings that were carried away bodily during the cyclone of October last in the Calcutta river; and whether some more efficient plan or appliance ought not now to be tried, in order to prevent, as far as possible, the recurrence of similar shipping disasters?

Sir C. WOOD said that a despatch had been addressed to the Government of India at Calcutta calling their attention to this subject, but it was crossed by another from that Government asking for a supply of screw piles, with mooring-chains attached. Some doubts being entertained as to the sufficiency of the piles for which they had asked, he had appointed a small committee of officers of the Indian navy and Bengal marine, who were all acquainted with the Hooghly, to consider and report to him how it would be most desirable to comply with the desire of the Government of India. As soon as he had received their report it would be his duty to send out the necessary materials by the overland route.

INDIAN PRIZE MONEY.

Mr. COX asked when the Central Indian prize money would be distributed?

Sir C. WOOD replied that the question of the distribution of the Central Indian prize money had been made the subject of discussion in that House last Session, and that his noble friend at the head of the Government had then announced it to be his intention to abide by the decision of the Admiralty Court with respect to it. That decision had not yet been pronounced, and no distribution could in the meantime take place.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 14.

Petitions complaining that the measures adopted by the Secretary of State for India to remedy supersession afford no redress whatever, and praying for redress, were presented by Mr. HADFIELD, from Brevet-major Holmes, of the 17th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and from Lieut. John Beresford Gahan, of the 3rd Madras European Regiment; by Mr. HEYGATE, from three officers in the Indian Army; by Colonel SYKES, from Major Young, of the Royal Army, and Captain and Brevet-Lieut.-Colonel Cooper, of the Madras Army; by Sir J. HAY, from Captain Patrick Salter, 4th Regiment Madras Native Infantry and from Major Charles Hight, 18th Regiment Madras Native Infantry.

THE NAWABSHIP OF THE CARNATIC.

Sir F. KELLY gave notice that on Tuesday,

March 14, he should move the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the claims of Prince Azeem Jah to the Nawabship of the Carnatic.

SANITARY STATE OF CALCUTTA.

Mr. VANSITTART asked the Secretary of State for India whether anything had been done to improve the sanitary state of Calcutta; if so, whether he had any objection to produce papers relating to the same; and, whether it had been determined to relieve the European troops serving in India by the overland route; if so, whether any and what arrangements had been made for their transmission.

Sir C. WOOD said, in reply to the first question, that a sanitary commission had been some time ago appointed, and that they had made a report on the subject to the Government of India. He, however, had as yet received no account of what had been done in consequence of that report. It was, he might add, the intention of the Government to send out the troops to India overland.

MISCELLANEOUS.

GENERAL SIR J. W. SLEIGH, K.C.B.—The name of General Sir J. W. Sleigh, who is just dead, is associated with many of the leading military engagements of this country. The deceased general was born at Hanworth, Middlesex, in 1780, and having received his education at Winchester School, entered the army in 1795, and was constantly employed regimentally for a period of 47 years. In 1839 he became colonel of the 9th Lancers, and in 1854 attained the rank of general. In 1795 he served in Flanders, and in 1799 in the campaign in North Holland and the Helder, being present in the actions of the 10th and 19th of September, and the 2nd and 6th of October. He served in the Peninsular War, 1811-12, at the siege of Badajoz, the battle of Salamanca, at Elbodon, and the cavalry affair at Torres. At Waterloo he commanded the 11th Dragoons, and succeeded to the command of the 4th Brigade of Cavalry, which he held on the advance to and the taking of Paris. In 1819 he accompanied his regiment to India, and commanded the cavalry at the siege of Bhurtpore, 1825-6. Afterwards he received the thanks of Parliament for his gallant and meritorious conduct. His next appointment was that of Inspector of the Indian Cavalry, after which he became Military Secretary to the Governor-General (Lord William Bentinck). This led to his being placed as Major-general of Division on the staff at Bombay, and he remained there for three years. On returning to England in 1839 he was made Inspector-general of Cavalry. The deceased was a K.C.B., a Knight of the Bavarian Order of Maximilian Joseph, and had medals for Waterloo, Bhurtpore, Salamanca, and other places.

CONSULAR APPOINTMENTS.—(Foreign Office, Feb. 1.)—The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. G. Overbeck as Consul at Hong Kong for his Majesty the Emperor of Austria.—(Feb. 9.)—The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Giovanni Edoardo Leveson as Consul at Singapore for his Majesty the King of Italy. The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. François Michelli as Consul at Cork and Queenstown for his Majesty the Emperor of Austria; and Mr. Julius Menke as Consul at Hong Kong for his Majesty the King of Hanover.—(Feb. 4.)—The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Martin Crofton Morrison, Esq., now her Majesty's Consul at Tanchow, to be her Majesty's Consul at Kiu-Kiang. The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Robert Swinhoe, Esq., now British Vice-Consul at Taiwan, to be her Majesty's Consul at Taiwan.

APPOINTMENT.—(India Office, Feb. 7.)—The Queen has been pleased to appoint Lewis Charles Innes, Esq., of the Madras Civil Service, to be a Judge of the High Court of Judicature at Madras.

CHINA STEAMSHIP AND LABUAN COAL COMPANY.—A prospectus has been issued of the China Steamship and Labuan Coal Company, with a capital of £500,000, in shares of £25. This is not a new undertaking, but an apparently useful junction of two old ones, with the view of each bringing to the other an important element of success and of remedying a deficiency of capital with which both have hitherto had to contend. The Labuan Coal Company, as far as the development of a superior quality of coal is concerned, are understood to have more than realised their original expectations, but are without the means of bringing it to market in an efficient manner, while the China Steamship Company have a fleet to the operations of which an economical and unfailing supply of steam fuel is of primary importance. The present price of coal in China, although exceptionally low, is 45s. per ton; while its cost is but 6s. 9d. at Labuan, and would be but 25s. reckoning freight and all other expenses connected with its delivery in China. The coal, it is stated, is contracted for extensively by the Admiralty, and the mines, which are practically inexhaustible, are held under a grant from the Government. The direction is mostly composed of capitalists and others of Eastern experience.

BILLS ON INDIA.—The biddings for 30,00,000 rupees (£300,000) in bills on India took place on Wednesday, Feb. 15, at the Bank of England, and the following are the official particulars. The proportions allotted were—to Calcutta, 15,39,000 rupees; to Bombay, 12,00,000 rupees; and to Madras, 2,61,000 rupees. The minimum price was as before, 1s. 11½d. on Calcutta and Madras, and 1s. 11½d. on Bombay. Tenders on Calcutta and Madras at 1s. 11½d. will receive about 43 per cent., and on Bombay at 1s. 11½d., about 92 per cent.; above these prices in full.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, Feb. 12.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steam ship *Massilia*, Captain J. C. Almond, sailed this morning for Gibraltar, Malta, and Alexandria, with the Mediterranean and Bombay mails, a full cargo, and 148 boxes of specie, jewelry, &c., value £54,513, viz.:—For Alexandria, silver coin, £175; watches, £60. For Bombay, bar gold, £10,000; gold coin, £3,100; bar silver, £37,900; silver coin, £1,700; coral, beads, &c., £1,578. The *Massilia* takes out forty first and twenty second-class passengers, and twenty-three proceed by the corresponding steamer from Marseilles, making a total of eighty-three. Among them are the Rev. W. G. Codrington, for Gibraltar; Lieutenant Geneste, R.N., and Ensign Hamilton, for Malta; Colonel Lacey, Cornet Du Vernet, Captain Wallace, Dr. W. R. Elliott, Captain Marett, Captain J. W. Fitzmaurice, Lieutenant E. Pottinger, Captain J. H. Castell, Captain and Mrs. Stevenson, for Bombay, &c.

DR. HUGH FALCONER.—It is contemplated to erect a memorial of the late Dr. Hugh Falconer, in the form of a marble bust, in the rooms of one of the learned societies of which he was so great an ornament. The following gentlemen have undertaken to receive subscriptions for this purpose:—Dr. J. Percy. G. Busk, Esq., C. Macrae, Esq., and Dr. C. Murghison.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 8. Falkland, Moulmein; Sirocco, Madras; Shannon, Madras.—10. Sir Geo. Seymour, Mauritius.—13. Staffordshire, Manila.—14. Java, Batavia; Castleton, Japan.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 9. Her Majesty, Calcutta; Rock Light, Bombay.—10. Peerless, Manila.—11. Royal George, Calcutta.—13. Prince Oscar, Calcutta.—14. Waverley, Madras; Vanguard, Kurra-cher; Riffeman, Nagasaki; Waverley Belle, Singapore; Daniel Bankin, Calcutta; Maharance, Calcutta; Easery, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Syria, from Marseilles, Feb. 12.—For SHANGHAI.—Mr. J. Carnegie, Mrs. Brown and two daughters, Messrs. Gildermeister and E. E. Pickwood, Mrs. Euston, Messrs. G. W. Schwermann, G. O. Scott, and F. S. Brown. For HONG KONG.—Mr. F. Palmer. For CALCUTTA.—Mrs. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford, Messrs. W. P. Cowan and Darley, Mrs. W. Perry, Mr. A. Robertson, Mr. Bell, Capt. Whiteside, Maj. Brownlow, R.E., Mr. A. Somerville. From MADRAS.—Capt. Oakes, Maj. and Mrs. Baldo, Lieut. Briggs. For Ceylon.—Mr. F. W. Gardner. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. T. G. Owens, Mr. S. S. Welch, Rev. J. Stoughton, Mrs. H. Allen, Mr. J. Spence, Mr. J. Bright. Per P. and O. str. from Southampton, Feb. 12.—For BOMBAY.—Mr. J. M. Elliott, Col. Lacy, Mr. O. Philpot, Miss Ferguson, Mr. Higgins and son, Mr. J. B. Chalmers, Capt. Fitzmaurice, Mr. F. H. Clow, R.V., H. S. Gordon, Mrs. K. Neale, Cornet du Vernet, Capt. Wallace, Dr. W. R. Elliott, Mr. A. Swift, Mr. J. Y. V. Jameson. From Marseilles for BOMBAY.—Miss Prescott, Capt. Fitzmaurice, Mr. A. Brown, Mr. A. Mitchell, Messrs. Crawford and son, Macartney, F. A. Vella, Mrs. Dryman, Mr. R. Pinkey, Messrs. Manby, Brooke, Beadle, Lieut. E. Pottinger, Capt. and Mrs. Stevenson, Messrs. J. B. Grimes, A. Swift, Capt. J. H. Castell.

PASSAGES ENGAGED.

(Per Peninsular and Oriental Company's Steamers.) Feb. 20.—For CALCUTTA.—Mrs. Conolly, Mrs. Farquhar and infant. For HONG KONG from Marseilles.—Mr. and Mrs. Trantmann, Mr. A. Milson. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mrs. and Miss Hobson.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

FOULERTON—the wife of Captain Alexander Foulerton, H.M.'s I.N., of a son, at the Royal Crescent, Notting-hill, Feb. 9.
LASCELLES—the wife of Arthur Lascelles, Esq., of India, of a daughter, at Cheltenham, Feb. 9.
MOTTER—the wife of Captain H. Motter, Madras Staff Corps, of a daughter, at 22, Green-park, Bath, Feb. 2.
STEPHENS—the wife of Captain John Stephens, H.M.'s late Indian Navy, of a daughter, at Scarborough, Feb. 7.

DEATHS.

CUPPAGE—Captain Alexander Cuppage, son of the late Lieut. general John Cuppage, E.I.C. Service, at Brighton, aged 71, Feb. 4.
HAINES—Jane Eliza, daughter of Captain W. C. P. Haines, 36th Madras N.I., at Reading, aged 5 years, Feb. 6.
HALL—Major John Hamilton Hall, late of the Bombay Army, at Portobello, near Edinburgh, Feb. 10.
MACKAY—Lieut. colonel Aeneas John Mackay, late of the 16th Bengal Grenadiers, at Gale-cottage, Keswick, Feb. 8.
MAINGAY—Anthony De La Combe Maingay, of the Island of Guernsey, late Commissioner of the Tesserim Provinces, H.E.I. Co.'s Service, at Bordeaux, Jan. 29.
ROBERTS—Isabella, wife of Major R. G., H.E.I. Co.'s Bengal Artillery, Retired, at Upper Norwood, aged 67, Feb. 7.
SCOT—Helen Goldie, widow of the late William Scot, of Craigmure, Kirkcudbrightshire, N.B., and late Superintendent Surgeon at Madras, at Farnborough Rectory, Hants, aged 79.
TULLOCH—Gertrude E. C., daughter of Captain Arthur Tulloch, H.M.'s Bengal Army, at 23, Dawson-place, Baywater, Jan. 29.
WILSON—Benjamin Wilson, Esq., late of the Madras Army, aged 39.

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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

THE Bombay Mail via Marseilles brings us papers from that Presidency to the 28th of January, and from Calcutta to the 21st of that month. The most interesting news from the latter city relates to the reception of the Duke de Brabant, who arrived by the *Simla* on the 11th January, and landed under a salute from Fort William. H.R.H. was, of course, the guest of H.E. the Viceroy, who not only gave several dinners in honour of the Prince, but also accompanied him to an Assembly Ball at the Town Hall. The Duke is said to have expressed great interest in the sale of waste lands and in the progress of tea planting, and seemed much surprised at the extent and general appearance of the capital of British India. H.R.H. is, perhaps, slightly sarcastic. In any case he was soon satisfied with the charms of the City of (stuccoed) Palaces, and proceeded to Benares on the 15th, attended by Lieutenant-Colonel Blane, Aide-de-Camp on the Personal Staff of the Viceroy, who is charged to exhibit to the Prince all that is most noteworthy in Upper India.

Mr. Readon has so recovered from his late indisposition as to be able to open in person the Agricultural Show at Mozufferpore, the chief city in Tirhoot. These Exhibitions appear to have taken hold of the native mind, and already to have created considerable emulation. At Dacca, for instance, the Mymensingh Zemindars waited upon his Honour, and offered to double both their subscriptions and contributions if next year an Exhibition were held in that town; whereupon the people of Dacca promised to raise 20,000 rupees, instead of 10,000, to secure that favour a second time for themselves. The benefits to be expected from these Shows were clearly expressed by the Lieutenant Governor in the following paragraph:—

And indeed, Ladies and Gentlemen, it is only to the development of her agriculture that India can look for material improvement and for the augmentation of individual and national wealth. She has no manufactures to speak of, and it is for this reason all the more important that her landholders and her vast population, who are nearly all agriculturists, should give their attention to the introduction of improved methods of culture, so that a still larger population may be maintained in comfort from the produce of the soil, and that her surplus agricultural wealth may be exchanged in an ever increasing ratio for the industrial products of the whole civilized world.

On the 11th January Sir Hugh Rose arrived in Allahabad, and on the following morning inspected H.M.'s 107th regiment, and presented the corps with new

colours. A dinner was afterwards given by the officers to the men, eight hundred sitting down at one long table. His Excellency looked in upon the men while thus pleasantly engaged, and in the evening was present until a late hour at a Ball given in honour of the occasion. Early on the following morning the "ever-green chief"—*cruda deo viridisque senectus*—inspected two batteries of artillery, and the 21st N.I., and in the afternoon proceeded by rail to Benares. On the 17th Sir Hugh was at Bhaugulpore, where he had another narrow escape from a serious accident, through a young horse in his carriage taking fright at the guard of honour presenting arms, and smashing the vehicle.

Sir Robert Montgomery had arrived at Calcutta, and was to leave by the next homeward-bound steamer, which, by-the-bye, was not to start before the 24th, instead of on the 22nd, as usual. The Hon. Mr. Maine is also coming home on six months' leave, and Colonel Strachey expects to get away by the second steamer in February, being succeeded by Colonel Dickens as Secretary to Government in the Public Works Department. Sir Robert Napier's successor as military member of Council will, it is said, be Colonel Durand, while Mr. G. Noble Taylor will take the seat likely to be vacated by Mr. Harrington in April next. Sir Charles Trevelyan will probably quit India for ever after laying his budget before Council—his successor, the Hon. Mr. Massey, going out by the Marseilles mail of the 26th instant. Colonel Carmichael, C.B., at present in command of H.M.'s 106th Regiment, is spoken of as the new Adjutant-general of the Indian Army.

An attempt has been made at Peshawur to assassinate Major Adams, the Deputy-commissioner, which was so far successful that a dangerous wound was inflicted. The Major's assailant was a Mahomedan fanatic, who was instantly cut down by the guard at the gate.

There is no further intelligence from Bhootan of a nature to interest the general reader. The Deo Llama, indeed, appears to have resigned all hope of arresting the progress of the British by natural means, and threatens the invading force with a "spiritual manifestation," of upwards of one hundred thousand "fierce and ferocious ghosts." A more formidable enemy, however, than this shadowy host is the jungle fever, which has already broken out among the troops. Several officers have been attacked, and Lieutenant-Colonel

Haughton was so much reduced in strength that he was obliged to be carried on the back of a coolie.

The three eldest sons of H.H. the Nawab Nazim of Bengal are about to visit England under the tutelage of Lieut.-Colonel Herbert, C.B. Major Malleon will succeed Colonel Herbert in political charge of the ex-King of Oude and the Mysore Princes.

The death of Mr. Theodore Dickens, senior magistrate of Calcutta, is announced in the local papers. Mr. Dickens was the son of the energetic denouncer of the Black Acts, and has died of a disease of the lungs, in the thirty-fourth year of his age.

The news from Central Asia is disquieting and unsatisfactory. The Ameer, seemingly bent on effecting his own ruin, persists in a course of mingled treachery and violence. He has now thrown his step-brother and several influential Sirdars into prison, in violation of his sacred oath to respect their persons. His rival, Azcem Khan, who fled for refuge into British territory, has been removed from Rawul Pindie to Jhelum, as it was discovered that he was intriguing with the disaffected chiefs of Cabul. The Russian envoys to Bokhara are reported to have been well received by the Khan, to whom they presented £30,000 worth of rare and useful articles. It is more to the point that they are employing thousands of workmen to construct roads in Tashkund in the direction of Bokhara. Wells and roads are the real sinews of European conquest in the East. The *Journal de St. Petersburg*, however, positively states that no Russian Envoy has been sent to Bokhara since 1857, that no presents whatever have been forwarded to the ruler of that country, that Tashkund is not in Russian occupation, and that consequently no roads are being constructed and no taxes have been remitted.

The B. C. R. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Johnston Castle* has been wrecked off Malwan, on her way to Bombay from Goa, but no lives were lost.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

H.M.'s Forces.—Field-Marshal Viscount Combermere, on Tuesday, at Clifton, in his 96th year. Gen. W. Pattle, C.B., Col. of the 10th Hussars, at Dawlish, aged 52, Feb. 9. Lieut. S. H. Babington, R.N., son of the late W. Babington, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at Madeira, aged 35, Jan. 31.

BENGAL.—Asst. Commissary D. Ross, Retired List, aged 65, at Agm, Jan. 31. Lieut. J. S. Oliphant, Adj. 5th Goorkha Regt., aged 28, on board the str. *Simla*, off Aden, Nov. 24.

MADRAS.—Benjamin Wilson, Esq., late Madras Army, at Edinburgh, aged 29.

BOMBAY.—J. P. Reach, Esq., K.L.S., late H.E.I.C.'s service, Bombay and Persia, at Edinburgh, Feb. 18. Lieut. Walter Jardine, I.N., at Arkleton, near Langholm, Feb. 13. Wm. Jefferson, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at 21, South Audley-street, aged 66, Feb. 16. Lieut. G. W. P. Wright, R.N.L., at Morningside, Edinburgh, aged 34, Feb. 15.

Passengers by the present Mail.

FOR MARSEILLES.—From BOMBAY.—The Rev. J. Gibson, Mrs. H. J. Capt. O'Kel y, Mrs. Moore, Mr. Vibart, Mr. and Macneill, Capt. Fredell, Mr. C. D. Leggett, Mr. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Cohen, Maj. R. Warden, Mr. Jones. From ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. Nyesmith, Mr. and Mrs. Couvelas, Miss Couvelas. From MALTA.—Mr. Sandilands.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. *Delhi*, Feb. 27.—From BOMBAY.—Mr. Wardrop, Miss Maule, Mrs. Lewis, Capt. O'Neill, Mrs. Owen and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard and two children, Mrs. Dunsterville, Lieut. Hall, Mr. J. Soy, Mr. Horkin. From ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. M., and Mrs. Stirling, Messrs. J. C. and E. C. Stirling and infant, Mr. Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Mr. M., and two Misses Lawrence, Master Kenguid, Mrs. McMahon and two infants.

BENGAL.

REPORT ON THE COTTON DISTRICTS.

The following is a brief précis of the voluminous report on the rise in cotton, published in the *Gazette of India* of the 31st December:—In October, 1864, at the instance of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce, steps were taken by the Government to procure statistics regarding the effect of the high prices of cotton upon native manufactures. An impression prevailed that Indian cotton, notwithstanding its enhanced price, could be worked up by native weavers into cloth which could be sold in this country at a lower rate than Manchester goods; and it was an especial object of the enquiry to ascertain whether there were any grounds for this impression. Replies have now been received from every part of the Bengal Presidency; and the result makes it appear that, except in a few instances, native manufactures have declined. It is remarked that in Bengal the cultivation of cotton is inconsiderable, except in Assam, Tipperah, and Chittagong. In the two latter districts a large export trade in this article appears to be growing up, but, with this exception, the whole of the cotton of lower Bengal is retained for home consumption. The high price of the raw material in Bengal has not yet, as in the North-Western Provinces, led to any great increase of cultivation; and it is remarked that the low prices quoted as prevailing in Assam, Chittagong, and Tipperah, seem to indicate that capital might be advantageously employed there. The Bengal Government is of opinion that the real cause of the falling off which is obvious in the demand for Manchester goods in the Lower Provinces is the general rise in the prices of all the necessaries of life, and partly the superior suitability of native manufactures for the requirements of the masses. In the North-Western Provinces the proportion of the cotton retained for domestic use is estimated at from one-fourth to one-sixth. There has been in that part of the Presidency no increase in native weaving, and the demand for native manufactures, especially in the Eastern districts, is steadily declining. In the Western districts the decline is not so marked; and the result is that there the consumption of English has decreased more, in proportion, than that of native fabrics. The decrease in the demand for both native and English fabrics is attributed to the extraordinary rise of price. It is found that the decline in native weaving is confined principally to the towns; in the villages it is still going on much as usual. As to the cause of this result we quote the words of the report:—

In the villages both the cotton growers, and those who receive cotton from them as a payment in kind, find it more convenient to make their own cotton cloth at home than to purchase it ready made. The women spin the thread, and the village weaver is then hired to manufacture the piece, or the work is given out to him by the job, and he is paid in cotton. Thus, whilst the weavers in towns are unable to purchase cotton from its excessive dearness, the weavers in villages are supplied with the material by the persons who employ them, and who also pay them in cotton. In the Eastern Districts, as already stated, the cotton weaving has declined altogether, simply from the fact that there is little local cultivation, and, consequently, the facilities indicated are not afforded to the native weavers, and the demand for native goods is greater than in the Western Districts.

The decreased demand for English goods is also partly attributed to other causes, among which are the tightness of the money market, and the overstocking of 1858, 1859, and 1860. It is, moreover, remarked that imports are beginning to find their way to Jhansee, Gwalior, and Rajpootana via Bombay, and the exports of raw material of the North-Western Provinces are also beginning to take a westerly route from Hattas, Muttra, and even Mirzapore. As the Bombay railway advances the

diversion of trade from Calcutta may be expected to increase. The high price of cotton goods has led in the North-Western Provinces to an increased demand for woollen fabrics. There is a class of native manufactures not supplied by Manchester, which the people consequently have to purchase at the ruling prices, unchecked by English competition. Among these may be enumerated dhotees, pugrees, kummurbunds, loongees, dosootees, guzzes, garah, kharooa, tulloo, durrees, and cotton ropes; and it is suggested that the Bengal Chamber of Commerce might find it expedient to procure samples of these articles for the information of the home manufacturers. In Oude, also, it is the opinion of the authorities that there are no grounds for the apprehension that the demand for Manchester goods has been injuriously affected by native weaving, which is on the decline. The state of the cotton trade in the Punjab is said to be similar to that in the North West Provinces, though in eight out of twenty-one districts there has been an increase in the number of native looms. In the Central Provinces the demand for English goods has greatly increased, probably owing to the efforts that have been made during the last three years to open up the country. At the same time the high price of cotton has nearly ruined the manufacture of coarse native cloth. It was expected that the outturn of the cotton crop of 1863-64 in the Central Provinces would be nearly thirty seven millions of pounds.—*Englishman*.

THE FAIR OF NOVGOROD.

We English have of late been accustomed to regard ourselves as those most interested in the development of the trade with Central Asia; but a visit to the fair of Nijni Novgorod, made in August last by Mr. Forsyth, the Commissioner of Lahore, who has the interest of a true Punjabee in the subject, enables us to place before our readers some account of the dealings in that region of our rivals the Russians.

Comfortable railways make travelling easy, and the three hundred miles between Moscow and the fair are traversed in one night. The town of Nijni is on the Volga, but the fair is held in wooden booths on the triangle formed between the Okha and Volga. There were about 300,000 people collected, and the goods were valued at fourteen millions sterling. The chief business was in tea, some of which had come overland through Siberia, but the greater portion from China by sea to St. Petersburg. The caravan tea is most esteemed, but it does not appear that it commands any advantage in price. We need hardly repeat how it is brought from Khatka across the Khirghy steppes to Troitska. The reigning price was three shillings and twopence per lb. There was plenty of cotton on sale from Persia and Bokhara. The latter had arrived late. In the last Punjab Report there is a story about some Italian gentlemen having been sent to try and procure fresh silkworms to regenerate the falling stock. The Amir-al-mouminin caught them surveying or photographing, clapped them into the Black Well, and considered that he had "disposed of the case." The British Government was profoundly sorry; the Afghan deeply sympathising; but nothing was done on this side the Oxus. But when the cotton laden camels from Bokhara arrived on the Russian frontier at Orenburgh, they found the gates shut, nor was admission granted until a telegraphic message was received by the Czar announcing the safe arrival of the persecuted Italians. On a large scale it was a barbarous tribe brought to its senses by an embargo laid on its trade. It is pleasant to find that a sanguinary bigot can be made to eat humble pie somehow or other. It is said that Bokhara sent 100,000 bales of cotton to this year's fair, fetching close upon £160 per ton. Both Persian and sea-borne Indian is somewhat dearer. All is of inferior quality, dirty, and badly packed.

The Indian comes to St. Petersburg by sea, the Persian across the Caspian by steam to Astrakhan, and up the Volga, on which are some 300 steamers of 400-horse power, towing two barges each, drawing only three feet of water, and reaching Nijni in nine days. These details make us blush for the backward state of the Indus navigation.

Mr. Eastwick has told us of the eight war steamers, of three hundred tons each, comfortably riding in the land-locked harbour of Ashuradah; but the passenger steamers of the *Mercurei Company* on the Caspian do not, according to him, exceed 120-horse power. Still, it is pretty evident the department is paternally looked after, and the new harbour is most conveniently situated in relation to the passes, whether towards Herat or Tehran. The remaining imports selling at the fair are dried fruits, rice, dyed silk, mulder, *bez* (native cloth), silk girdles, turquoises, shawls and furs, potash, wool, nutwood, logwood. It seems doubtful if any indigo reaches this market, though a good deal goes from the Punjab through the Afghan passes.

Boklara takes readily copper, iron, and cutlery. The last-mentioned article is not of the best Russian manufacture. Prints are in good demand at from 16s. to 20s. the piece of thirty-five yards or so. Calico in pieces of ten, measuring ninety yards, run from 12s. to 24s. Only inferior muslins are exported. Woollen cloth at 8s. 9d. the yard is sent out, but the better description is furnished by England. But at the fair everything under the sun is to be seen—Paris bonnets, pianos, firepumps, chaff-cutting machines, patent stores, all the latest varieties of iron fabrication.

Russia has, through the poverty of her people, been hitherto driven abroad for a market for her manufactures; but now a great change is passing over her. Alexander has, by a most sweeping ukase, given all the occupant peasantry a heritable interest in land to the extent of seven acres per man, which they may even mortgage, but not sell, except to the commune. The immediate effect is, of course, to stimulate immensely the demand for the ordinary manufactures. They calculate the number of serfs at twenty-two millions, who formerly consumed only 8s. worth of cotton goods per head per annum. They have already reached £1. 7s. per head, and will probably go much further. Whilst, then, the demand for raw produce will increase enormously, the home market for manufactures will be proportionately expanded, and it will take the Russians some time before they are ready to supply Central Asia as they have done of late. Already their monopoly is attacked. Trebizond is becoming a great port for Persia, and the chintzes and cloths of England are beginning to fill the growing void. A similar hiatus must soon be felt across the Hindookoosh, and if Shere Ali Khan will only make haste to come to an understanding one way or the other with his brothers at Candahar, keep Afzul safe, pay his troops, and guard his roads, there could not be a more favourable time for the execution of Sir Robert Montgomery's plan of establishing a fair at Peshawur, and of strengthening the Punjab Flotilla. And as a part of the general system of trans-Himalayan trade communications, the Hindustan and Thibet roads should not be left in an unfinished state. It is absurd that, whilst from both the Chinese and British sides these mountains can for a considerable distance be traversed by mules, there should remain through sheer *laches* a bit along which no animals but coolies, sheep, and goats can pass. The missing link here should certainly be put in by making a practicable mule road from China to the Chinese frontier. Half the work originally contemplated has been done, and it is stultification to pull up at this point. What has already been done will be nearly valueless unless completed, especially to the traders interested. We hope, therefore,

that we do not err in prophesying that this road will be soon completed according to the original design.—*Friend of India.*

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE DUKE DE BRABANT.—India has never before been visited by the heir to a European throne. After a pleasant week's ramble through Ceylon, His Royal Highness the Duc de Brabant has been the guest of the Viceroy in Calcutta for some days, and has now left for the Upper Provinces, attended by Colonel Blane, in addition to his own suite. Health is the main object of the Duke's travels, but we believe he has already experienced an amount of pleasure and interest in our great Eastern dependencies which the wonders of Benares, Agra, Delhi, Lahore and the Himalayas will greatly increase. His Royal Highness has abandoned his intention of returning to Europe by Bombay, and expects in the course of a few weeks again to be a guest at Government House, where a large collection of curiosities is being made for him. The natives of Ceylon and India who have seen the Duke cannot understand why he wears plain clothes and looks exactly like other Sahibs. His Royal Highness has not been slow to express disgust at the accommodation and general arrangements of the French steamers, especially the *Imperatrice*, in which he sailed from Suez to Ceylon. Since the heir to the throne of the Belgians finds he can travel so easily to and throughout India, why should not Prince Alfred, in semi-regal state, spend a cold season among the millions of her Majesty's Indian subjects? The political effect would be incalculable.—*Friend of India.*

NATIVE GENTLEMEN AND THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S LEVEES.—At the levée held on Saturday, Jan. 14th, for the native chiefs and gentlemen of Calcutta, only sixty-six non-Europeans were present. On the other hand, there was a large assemblage of the beauty and fashion of Calcutta. This unfortunate display of feeling by some of the native community is, doubtless, due to their non-invitation to the recent levée and ball. Educated native gentlemen are well aware of the reasons which led Lord Elgin, first of all, and still induce Sir John Lawrence, to confine parties at which ladies are present to the English or Christian residents. But though, for the sake of the natives themselves, we regret the form in which Bengalee gentlemen have been childish enough to evince this soreness of feeling, we see in it hopeful signs of better days for India. The great question of educating and elevating the female members of their families must be brought home to them by the present circumstance. They will be constrained to see that, in allowing themselves to be hindered from this good work by the slavish fear of custom, and the teaching of an ignorant priesthood or of relatives of the old school, they shut out themselves as well as their wives from free intercourse with the world, and practically nullify the best efforts made for social and moral improvement. They are not probably aware of the English rule on which it henceforth becomes the Viceroy to act, by inviting to Government House no one who has not appeared at the levée.—*Friend of India.*

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF MAJOR ADAMS.—An unpleasant occurrence has just been reported from Peshawur—the attempted assassination of the Deputy Commissioner, Major Adams. While riding out of the Cabul Gate of that city on the 16th January he was attacked by an Affghan, and received a dangerous wound across the back. The assailant was at once cut down by the guard at the gate, and though severely injured was not killed. No cause is assigned for the deed; the would-be assassin has resided in Peshawur for the last five years. He is not a fanatic, and was joined by no others. Everything was quiet when the news left.

CENSUS OF THE N.W.P.—A census of all classes in the North-Western Provinces was taken on the night of the 10th January. It was applicable not only to the native population, but to all European troops, officials and non-officials, so that the ludicrous mistakes of the English census of 1861 will be corrected to some extent. The census of Bombay was successfully taken last year owing to the admirable arrangements of Dr. Leith, and the belief that the law would enforce certain penalties, for the fact that Sir C. Wood had ignorantly disallowed the Act was not generally known. However justifiable legislation may be for a census of the great cities, it would defeat the object of the enumeration if applied to the more ignorant rural classes of the interior. The North-West census has accordingly been made under the control of the energetic Revenue Board at Allahabad, and on the principles laid down by Mr. Thomason for the last enumeration of 1852-53. A law would have excited suspicion and given occasion for extortion by native officials. The results promise to be quite as accurate, for every official and department has been most zealous in the good cause. In agricultural districts the Putwarces were employed as enumerators; in towns the duty was undertaken, as in England, by the most suitable and influential person in each ward, or by a paid officer of the Collectorate. Fortunately the police had nothing to do with work too delicate for such agency. To prepare the people for their part of the undertaking the tables were filled up, in most cases, during a sort of rehearsal some weeks before. A good feature of this census is that the chief castes, as well as those who can read, are distinguished. When we remember the mutiny and partial famines of the past ten years we are curious to learn if the population has increased. The belief of the best authorities is that an improved land-tenure, and consequent agricultural and commercial prosperity, have far more than compensated for these disasters. The results cannot be published for several months. Meanwhile will other Governments follow the good example of Bombay and the north-west?—*Friend of India.*

THE MOORSHEDEBAD PRINCES.—The Calcutta papers state that "Husain Ally Mirza, Hosein Ally Mirza, and Mohammed Ally Mirza," the three eldest sons of H.H. the Nawab Nazim of Bengal, are to visit England for a year in charge of Lieut. Colonel Herbert, each receiving £1,000 to defray expenses from the Nizamut Deposit Fund. Two of these youths had the advantage of an English education under Mr. Browning, who is now acting Director of Public Instruction in the Central Provinces. It is a pity their father also does not go. In the course of two generations there can be little doubt that all our leading Indian nobles will know more or less of the English language and literature. Major Malleson will act for Colonel Herbert in charge of the Oudh family.

THE KING OF SIAM is quite as good a political economist as he is an English scholar. Owing to scarcity of rain a famine threatens, and the King publishes a declaration of perfect free trade, to put the people on their guard against the tricks of the rice-dealers. "Should any declare that there is an order from either of their Majesties, the first or the second King, limiting the price of rice to prevent its being sold at high rates, or to constrain the seller, do not believe him, but seize him, and deliver him over to the civil authorities."

THE 7TH BENGAL CAVALRY.—As the necessity for another regiment of cavalry for Bhootan no longer exists, besides the two already despatched, the 7th Bengal Cavalry, under command of Colonel Wilson, recently arrived from Oule, en route to Bhootan, and now quartered at Bhaugulpore, has been ordered to return to Lucknow. The regiment proceeds to its destination by easy marches.

GAMES IN THE PUNJAB.—The chivalrous Punjab Force on the frontier are in the habit of introducing the new year by prize tournaments, which are to the men what the tourneys were to knights of old, with the serious exception of the absence of ladies of their own race. At Dehra Ismael Khan, as described by a correspondent of the Lahore paper, the 4th Punjab Cavalry, officers and men, under Captain Godby, enjoyed hurdle races, riding at the peg, single-stick on horse-back, cutting at the sheep at the gallop, and a ludicrous camel race. The horsemanship could not easily be matched in Europe. The writer justly says:—"In such mock scenes of 'derring doo' the soldier is taught self-reliance, his emulation is evoked, he is made proud of himself, and he thirsts for the real encounter of war! A feeling of brotherhood, too, is generated by these gay meetings, where the men and officers of different regiments mingle freely."

FRUITS OF EDUCATION.—The *Urdu Guide*, a Mussulman paper, written in English and Urdu, in discussing Indian nationality, is of opinion that, however much it is for the interest of the English Government to prevent the formality of a united nationality in India, education will gradually fuse together the two hundred millions of our subjects. The very fact that Government promotes education by every means, shows that, whether nationality and independence be the result or not, the English in India will govern only for the good of their subjects. Our own belief is that Christianity and education together must lead to the independence of India in time. But, in that case, there are just as likely to be several distinct national powers in India as in North America. Extent of area must be taken into account, and this Russia is forgetting in her too superficial conquests.

ASSUMPTION OF TITLE.—We (*Friend of India*) would direct the attention of the Viceroy to an assumption which should not be allowed to pass unnoticed. In the announcement that the sons of the Nawab Nazim of Bengal are about to proceed to England, the three young gentlemen are for the first time dignified by the title of Mirza. This is the well-known title of the sons of the Shah of Persia, and of those of the old Emperor of Delhi; and its English equivalent, prince, ought not to be applied to any but those justly entitled to it. Formerly the Nawab-Nazims of Bengal were addressed by Government as "Excellency," and it is only of late years that the term Highness has been used. The Nazims, as their title shows, were never sovereigns, but only viceroys; and up to the present date the title of Highness has never been applied to their sons, who were simply Sahibs Zadehs. This is the recognised term, used by the late Nazim in speaking of his son, the present one, and continued to this day. It will be anything but advantageous for these young gentlemen to be treated as princes, and to have baseless pretensions recognised or sanctioned by the inadvertence of Government.

COMMISSIONERSHIPS.—Sir J. P. Grant, when Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, proposed to reduce the number of Commissioners from eight to six, but Mr. Beadon, then in Council, opposed the measure. The establishment of the High Court and new Police led the Government of India to ask if the reduction could not now be effected, but, the *Englishman* informs us, Mr. Beadon is still opposed to it. The public cannot see why both the full staff of Commissioners and the Board of Revenue should be maintained. If the former, then the latter should be superseded by a Financial Commissioner with one or two assistants.

BANK OF BENGAL.—The demand for money in Calcutta continues to be so great that the bank has again raised its rates one per cent. The rise has been three per cent. in a fortnight.

HINDOO WIDOWS.—"Bad as the lot of married women may be, it is the happiest condition that can befall her in this country; and it is always reckoned in the light of a reward for virtue. The women themselves admit no blessedness to be greater than dying in the married state. The very name of widow is a reproach; and when women quarrel with one another, and when their mutual hatred becomes deadly, they can conceive no greater abuse than wishing each other to survive their husbands. Widows, however young, cannot re-marry. They are excluded from all scenes of gaiety and all ceremonies of rejoicing. Their appearance at marriages is never solicited, and where, on account of their near relationship, they do appear, they are not permitted to take any active part in the rites and ceremonies connected with them. They are not permitted to wear ornaments. Immediately after the death of her husband, the wife strips off all her jewels, and renounces them for ever, often selling them at once and converting the property into cash. Nor are widows permitted to dress themselves in coloured clothing, or in any robe which is not absolutely white. Of these, and of every other emblem or privilege of matrimony, they are forthwith divested. To appear slovenly is meritorious; and they are bound to keep frequent fasts, that the cravings of the flesh may be thereby subdued. From these fasts neither age nor infirmity can exempt them—nay, not even illness, except when it is very serious. 'Let the widow emaciate her body by living on roots, fruits and flowers,' says Menu; 'Let her not even pronounce the name of another man after her lord is deceased; let her continue till death forgiving injuries, performing harsh duties, avoiding sensual pleasures, and practising virtue.' The number of widows amongst the natives is very great. In many families the widows considerably outnumber the married women. As old widowers are constantly re-marrying, and as the girls they marry seldom exceed the tender age of ten, the cause of this is certainly not inexplicable. An old husband of fifty has but small chance of surviving a girl of ten or eleven years, and, amongst Kulin Brahmins, one such old man has often a plentiful harvest of little wives. Hence not unfrequently girls find themselves in the most miserable condition before they have become women, and even such cannot re-marry. The prejudices of the country will not permit the idea being thought of even for a moment, and this is the origin of much misery within the family circle."—*Baboo Degamber Mitter's Letter to Mr. Eden.*

CABUL.—The troubles of the Ameer of Cabul are thickening. Mahomed Ameer Khan and the Candahar family have raised the Suleman Khyle and other tribes. He has sent to Kheilat for assistance against the Ameer, who has accordingly ordered an expedition against Candahar, as his great father once did. We learn from the *Delhi Gazette* that the Ameer declares all the Barukzai chiefs are against him. Grain is selling at famine price in Cabul, the winter is unusually severe, and the Ameer's sepoys are deserting to Candahar, from want of pay. The longest purse will gain in the end. The Ameer has offered to free the brother of the late Sooltan Jan of Herat, but the old man will not leave prison without Shah Nawaz Khan, his nephew, whom it would be dangerous to let loose at present.

HIS ROOM BETTER THAN HIS COMPANY.—The residents in British Burmah will be pleased to learn from the *Gazette of India* that Dr. Clarke, their unpopular and certainly incompetent Recorder, has obtained leave of absence for fifteen months. Mr. J. Pitt Kennedy is to act as Recorder, on the full salary.

BABOO JUGDANUND MOOKERJEE.—The *Nur-kura* hears that the first Native Judge of the new High Court for the North Western Provinces, is to be Baboo Jugdanund Mookerjee, a good English scholar, and at present the junior Government Pleader.

TRANSIT THROUGH EGYPT.—Some time back we had occasion to call in question the advertised reduction of fares for the transit through Egypt. Experience has proved the correctness of our supposition, that the saving effected was merely in name; as passengers have to pay 18s. 6d. per cwt. for all baggage in excess of 80lbs. in weight, instead of 6s. per cwt. for all over 336 lbs., according to the old regulations. This is not the worst result of the change. Previously one could travel through Egypt with a degree of confidence that at all events the baggage would be quite safe, however much it might be knocked about; but now things are so changed, that for the supposed reduction in charge the Transit Administration seem to think that any amount of looting will be allowed. The complaints on the subject have already been numerous, but the following extract from a letter dated Malta, December 1st, exposes such an outrageous and disgraceful state of affairs that the P. and O. Company are bound, for their own interest, to take immediate steps to have it remedied. The writer was a passenger from Bombay by the mail of November 14. He says:—"We are just off Malta. I just drop you a line to say that a great lot of the passengers' baggage took place in its transit across the desert. The vagabonds robbed me of the entire contents of my portmanteau, including all the things I had bought as presents for my friends. It was lucky for me that I took the precaution of carrying with me all my jewellery, or perhaps that would have shared the same fate. I sincerely hope that the Southampton portion of our luggage has escaped these merciless wretches. One of our passengers lost among other things 120 sovereigns, another lady all her under-linen, and the gentlemen nearly the whole of their woollen clothing. As the weather is now very wet and cold, you may imagine the distress that this has occasioned. There must have been some combination among the employees, for the loot was general, and must have required some time, for out of the whole number of passengers the luggage of only three of them escaped pillage. I have written you this hurried account that you may perform an act of charity to my fellow-countrymen in Bombay, by getting the above noticed in the *Times of India*, so that they may be on their guard when they pass through Egypt, and take in their own charge the valuable portion of their luggage."—*Times of India.*

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF LEAVE ON M.C.—An alteration has been made in the rule regarding the appearance of Civil and Military officers on sick leave at home, requiring an extension of the same, before the Medical officer at the India House. Hitherto they have been examined for the purpose by Sir Ranald Martin. The practice for the future will be as follows:—If the applicant for an extension of leave on medical certificate be residing within 20 miles of London, he must produce a certificate from the Medical Board attached to the India office, showing the necessity for such extension. If residing beyond that distance from London, certificate in the second of the above forms must be produced from two Medical Practitioners.

ANOTHER WAHABEE TRAITOR has appeared in Purneah. His tale is the old story of the coming of the twelfth Imam preparatory to the great *Jehad* for which the faithful must now subscribe. The cyclone he used to gild his eloquence, describing it as a blast from the Imam's nostrils against the infidel. After making a good deal of money the arrival of troops led to his disappearance, and now the "loyal" Mussulmans of Purneah speak of him as "the mad Moulvee."

A PORTRAIT OF SIR J. P. GRANT, subscribed for by the Bengalees, has been hung in the upper lobby of the Calcutta Town Hall. It is likely to be much injured by the careless manner in which repairs are being done to the Hall.



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

*Home Dept., Fort William, Dec. 29.—No. 6,956.—*Mr. E. Hyde, offic. exec. engr., Pynnkynn Creek Works, British Burmah, subord. mag. of the 2nd class, is vested with the powers of a subord. mag. of the 1st class under that section.

*No. 6,957.—*Capt. H. Lewis, appd. to offic. as master attendant at Rangoon on the 22nd ult., received charge of his office from Capt. Mack on the afternoon of the 7th inst.

*No. 6,958.—*Mr. P. B. Doyle, superint. of police, 1st class, British Burmah, who obtained priv. leave in G.O. dated Nov. 18, returned to his duties Oct. 22.

*Dec. 30.—No. 6,960.—*H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to confer upon Dr. C. Plank, insp. gen. of prisons in British Burmah, the powers of a mag., as described in section 22, Act XXV. of 1861, within the precincts of each jail under his charge.

*No. 6,961.—*H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest Mr. W. G. Rossenrode, of the Great Trigonometrical Survey in the Arracan div. of British Burmah, with the powers of a subord. mag. of the 2nd class, as described in section 22 of Act XXV. of 1861, over all his camp followers, servants, and retainers, within the limits or territory in which he is employed.

THE LIEUT. GOVERNORSHIP OF THE PUNJAB.

*Dec. 28.—No. 1,676.—*The Hon. Sir R. Montgomery, K.C.B., has obtained permission from H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. of India in Council to resign the office of Lieut. gov. of the Punjab and its dependencies, and H.E. in Council is pleased to direct that as a mark of respect due to the character and services of Sir R. Montgomery, all the honours and distinctions to which he is now entitled as Lieut. gov. of the Punjab shall be continued to him from the date of his resignation until the period of his embarkation to Eur.

Subject to the approbation of H.M.'s Govt., H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. of India in Council has been pleased to app. Mr. D. F. McLeod, C.B., to be Lieut. gov. of the Punjab and its dependencies, from the date on which the Hon. Sir R. Montgomery retires.

*No. 816.—*The underment. assts. of the revenue survey dept. are allowed to resign their appts. from the date on which their services can be spared:—

Mr. W. H. Bolton, asst. revenue surveyor, 1st class, Sind survey.

Mr. G. Bonny, sub asst., 3rd class, Nagpore survey.

*No. 818.—*Mr. G. Barratt is app. a jun. sub asst. in the revenue branch of the survey dept., from Oct. 17 last.

*No. 1,662.—*Lieut. A. N. Bruce, asst. to the Gov. gen.'s agent for the States of Rajpootana, rejoined his app. on the forenoon of the 12th inst.

*No. 1,665.—*The services of Mr. E. O'Brien, C.S., are placed at the disposal of the Punjab Govt.

*No. 1,668.—*With reference to G.O., No. 289, dated Jan. 25, 1861, the app. of Maj. H. S. Rammell as offic. asst. comr. in the Central Provs., is to have effect from Dec. 7, 1860.

Maj. Rammell is also confirmed in that app. from the latter date.

*No. 1,670.—*Mr. H. W. Beddy, offic. dep. comr., 3rd class, in British Burmah, made over charge of the Sandoway dist. treasury to Moung Htoon, extra asst. comr., 2nd class, on the afternoon of Nov. 19 last.

*No. 1,672.—*Maj. E. J. Spilsbury, dep. comr., 3rd class, in British Burmah, made over charge of the treasury at Akryab to Mr. J. Hind, extra asst. comr., 1st class, on Nov. 26 last.

*Dec. 29.—No. 698.—*Subject to the confirmation of H.M.'s Govt., H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to recognise Mr. J. Halliday, jun., as an ad interim consular agent for the United States of America, at Bassein, in British Burmah.

*No. 263.—*Lieut. J. H. S. Greenfield, offic. adjt. of the Erinporeh irreg. force, is confirmed in the app., v. Capt. C. R. Blair.

*No. 1,691.—*The foll. transfer of app. in Oude is authorised by the Gov. gen. in Council:—

Mr. E. O. Bradford, dep. comr., from the Mohumdee to the Hurdai dist.

Mr. C. Lindsay, dep. comr., from the Hurdai to the Mohumdee district.

*No. 1,693.—*The underment. officers of the Oude commission have been granted leave for the periods specified, to enable them to rejoin their app.:—

Mr. E. O. Bradford, dep. comr., from Nov. 29 to Dec. 10, the date on which he resumed his duties.

Lieut. J. N. B. Hewett, asst. comr., from Nov. 29 to Dec. 10, the date on which he reported his arrival at Lucknow.

Capt. C. R. Shaw, asst. comr., from Nov. 28 to Dec. 14, the date on which he reported his arrival at Lucknow.

Mr. H. S. Boys, app. in G.O., No. 1,490, dated 5th inst., to offic. as asst. comr., 3rd class, reported his arrival at Lucknow on Dec. 16.

*No. 1,695.—*Mr. A. M. Russell, asst. settlement officer, Dumoh, Central Provs., has priv. leave for 15 days, in addition to the leave granted him in G.O., No. 1,445, dated Dec. 1.

*Dec. 26.—No. 370.—*Maj. A. Allen, Bengal staff corps, assumed charge of the duties of superint. of works, Jubulpore circle, from Mr. J. S. Heymen, exec. engr., 2nd div. Great Northern Road, on the afternoon of Dec. 3.

*No. 372.—*Mr. R. B. Wrenn, supervisor, att. to the 1st div. Great Northern Road, Central Provs., is granted 2 mo. priv. leave of abs., on m.c., with effect from Nov. 19.

*Dec. 30.—No. 373.—*Lieut. S. C. Clarke, R.E., prob. asst. engr., public works dept., Mysore, is prom. to the grade of asst. engr., 2nd class, with effect from Nov. 14, 1863.

*Jan. 4.—No. 3.—*Dr. F. Douglas, civil surg., Lucknow, has been granted leave for 24 days, from the 1st inst., or from such date as he may avail himself of the same, to proceed to Calcutta, prep. to applying for furl. to Europe.

*No. 4.—*The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appts., viz.:—

Dr. H. M. Cannon, insp. of prisons in Oude, to be civil surg. of Lucknow, v. Dr. F. Douglas, from the date on which that officer may vacate the appt.

Dr. J. C. Corbyn, garrison surg., Chunar, to be insp. of prisons in Oude, v. Dr. Cannon.

*No. 48.—*The Rev. F. C. Viret, chaplain on the Bergal estab., reported his return from leave on the 25th inst.

Mr. Viret's services are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

*Jan. 5.—No. 49.—*The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to permit Mr. A. Swinton to resign the C.S. from Nov. 23 last.

*No. 50.—*The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the underment. officer in the Central Provs. with the powers of a mag., described in Chap. II, Sect. 22 of Act XXV. of 1861, to be exercised in respect of the prisoners located in Mohtoor.

Capt. W. G. M. Strickland, comdg. sappers and miners at Mohtoor.

*Jan. 6.—No. 51.—*The Gov. gen. in Council has been pleased to appt. Mr. N. R. Cumberlege to be asst. supnt. of police of the 2nd grade, in the Berars.

*No. 52.—*Capt. W. G. Grove, supnt. of police, 2nd grade, British Burmah, obtained prep. leave of abs. from Dec. 8 to 14, and reported his departure from Rangoon on the 15th idem.

*Jan. 5.—No. 6.—*Mr. D. Simson, comsnnr., Fyzabad div., Oude, resumed charge of his office from Mr. F. O. Mayne on Dec. 17.

*No. 8.—*Lieuts. P. W. Powlett and F. W. Grant are appd. asst. comsnnrs. of the 1st and 2nd class respectively in the Berars.

*No. 10.—*Lieut. F. Currie, asst. comsnnr., Roy Bareilly, Oude, has obt'd. leave of absence for 24 days from Jan. 1, 1865, or any subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same, to proc. to Calcutta prep. to applying for furl. to Eur. on m.c.

*No. 12.—*Lieut. col. J. F. D. E. W. Hall resumed the command of the Erinporeh irregular force, and the office of political superint. of Serohie from Maj. G. A. Black, on Dec. 8 last.

*Jan. 6.—No. 81.—*Mr. W. J. Raynor, 1st asst. dep. aud. and account. gen. Madras, is allowed three mo. leave of absence on m.c., in ext. of the 12 mo. sick leave which expired on Dec. 17, 1864.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATES.

*Jan. 5.—No. 79.—*The following despatch from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, No. 282, dated Nov. 30, 1864, is published for general information and guidance.

The revised code of civil absentee rules will be

corrected according to the directions in the despatch.

Financial.—No. 282.

India-office, London, Nov. 30, 1864.

To his Excellency the Right Hon. the Governor-general of India in Council.

Sir,—I have to acquaint you that it has recently been resolved that officers of the Indian civil and military services in this country, on leave of absence, and requiring extensions of leave, instead of being examined by the examining physician, as heretofore, shall appear before a medical board, of which Sir R. Martin, C.B., is president.

2. In accordance with this arrangement, I have to request that the last clause of the appendix to the revised code of civil absentee rules forwarded with my financial despatch, dated the 7th inst., No. 262, may be altered as follows:—

"If the applicant for an extension of leave on medical certificate be residing within 20 miles of London, he must produce a certificate from the medical board attached to the India-office, showing the necessity for such extension. If residing beyond that distance from London, certificates in the second of the above forms must be produced from two medical practitioners."—I have, &c.,

(Signed)

C. Wood.

Jan. 3.—No. 1.—Erratum.—In the portion of public works dept., notification No. 361 of the 19th inst., relating to Mr. C. Nuttall, for the words "temporary rank of 3rd class," read "temporary rank of 2nd class."

*No. 2.—*Mr. H. Rigg, proby. asst. engr., Mysore, is prom. to the grade of asst. engr., 2nd class, with effect from Feb. 25, 1864. This cancels notification No. 286 of Oct. 6, 1864.

*No. 4.—*The underment. officers and subordinates of the Bombay Presidency, employed in the Rajpootana circle of Public Works, are brought on the strength of the Public Works Estab. under the Govt. of India in the grades specified:—

Exec. Engr. 2nd Class.—Lieut. col. A. Cowper, exec. engr., Mhow div., Agra and Bombay road.

Exec. Engr. 3rd Class.—Capt. J. Hills, exec. engr., 3rd div., Mhow and Nusseerabad road.

Lieut. E. P. Gambier, exec. engr., Neemuch and Nusseerabad div.

Probationary Asst. Engr.—Capt. A. S. Griffith, Neemuch and Nusseerabad div.

Supervisor, 1st Grade.—Conductor G. Cowper, 2nd div. Mhow and Nusseerabad road.

Supervisor, 2nd Grade.—Sergt. H. B. Jackson, Neemuch and Nusseerabad div.

Overseer, 3rd Grade.—Corporal J. Thomas, 3rd div. Mhow and Nusseerabad road.

*No. 5.—*Mr. W. C. Wright, prob. asst. engr., Oude, has been posted to the Fyzabad div. with effect from Nov. 2.

*Jan. 5.—No. 6.—*The underment. proby. asst. engr. are prom. to the grade of 2nd class asst. engr., with effect from Jan. 14:—Messrs. H. Bell, F. L. O'Colloghan, and R. H. Rhind.

Revenue.—Forests.

*Jan. 2.—No. 1.—*Mr. A. M. Peché, in charge of the Kuddoe timber revenue station, British Burmah, is removed from the service of Govt. from Aug. 19.

*No. 2.—*The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to appt. Mr. M. Slyn to be an asst. conservator of forests in British Burmah on probation, from the date of taking charge.

*Jan. 4.—No. 3.—*The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to appt. Lieut. H. A. C. Plowden, H.M.'s 51st N.I., to offic. as an asst. conservator of forests in the Central Provinces, with effect from the date of joining.

*Jan. 3.—No. 1.—*Appt.:—Capt. J. Angelo, wing officer, 8th N.I., offic. brig. maj., to be a brig. maj. on the estab., in succession to Maj. H. F. Brooke, apptd. asst. adjt. gen. of div.

*No. 2.—*The following regimental order issued to the Calcutta volunteer rifle corps is confirmed:—

Dated Nov. 29.—Notifying the following promotion, subject to his passing the prescribed examination in drill:—

No. 1 Company.—Ens. C. J. Connew to be lieut., v. Lieut. H. W. Payne, res.

*Staff.—No. 3.—*The underment. officers having completed 20 yrs. service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be majs., from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. S. Black, E. P. Lloyd, C. H. Hall, and J. C. Millar; Dec. 29.

*No. 4.—*The underment. warrant officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on m.c.:—Conductor J. Lynch of the ordnance commissariat

dept., att. to the office of the examiner, ordnance accounts, for 20 mo.

Jan. 4.—No. 6.—The following order issued by the resident at Hyderabad is confirmed:—

No. 227, dated Dec. 9.—Permitting Asst. surg. J. T. J. Doyle, 1st inf. Hyderabad contingent, to proceed to Bombay, prepy. to proceeding on m.c. to Europe.

No. 7.—The undermen. officer having completed 20 yrs. service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be maj., from the date specified opposite to his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. A. T. Armstrong, Jan. 3.

No. 8.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on sick certificate:—Capt. R. C. Low, of the late 4th Eur. L.C., 2nd in com. and squadron officer, 13th Bengal cav., for 20 mo., under the new regs.

Jan. 5.—No. 9.—The services of Lieut. J. R. McK. Homfray, of the gen. list, inf., doing duty officer, 36th (the Bareilly) regt. N.I., are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept.

No. 10.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Lieut. C. A. Baylay, R.A., to the Hazara mountain train batty., Punjab irregular force, to do duty in order to qualify himself for admission to the staff corps.

No. 11.—The undermen. officer is admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the date specified opposite to his name, subject to the confirmation of the Right hon. the Secy. of State for India:—Capt. H. Philippotts, of the late 15th regt. N.I., asst. to the Gov. gen.'s agent, Rajpootana, Jan. 17, 1863.

No. 13.—The serv. of Surg. S. O. Townsend are placed at the disp. of the home dept.

No. 15.—With reference to the notification issued by the Govt. of Bengal, dated 24th ult., the serv. of Surg. maj. C. Archer, m.d., civil surg. of Dacca, are, at his own request, placed at the disp. of H.E. the C. in C.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS.

No. 17.—The following mily. letter from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, No. 364 of Nov. 23, 1864, is published for general information:—

Military.—No. 364.

India-office, London, Nov. 23, 1864.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Governor general of India in Council.

Sir,—I have to inform you that H.M. has been pleased to approve of the undermen. officers being placed on the staff of the army serving in the East Indies, with the local rank of maj. gen., viz.:—

Lieut. col. and Brev. col. F. P. Haines, C.B., H.P., with a view to his succeeding Maj. gen. the Hon. A. A. Spencer, C.B., from March 27, 1865.

Lieut. col. and Brev. col. W. O'Grady Haly, C.B., 38th foot, with a view to his succeeding Maj. gen. A. A. T. Cunynghame, C.B., from March 27, 1865. —I have, &c., (Signed) C. Wood.

COLONELS OF THE OLD ROYAL ARTILLERY.

No. 18.—With reference to Govt. G.O., No. 222 of March 15, 1864, the following mily. letter from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, No. 375, dated Nov. 25, 1864, is published for general information:—

Military.—No. 375.

India Office, London, Nov. 25, 1864.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

Sir,—With reference to my despatch of Jan. 30 last, No. 26, I have to inform you that in a communication recently received from the Horse Guards, I have been informed that as the absorption of supernum. cols. and lieut. cols. in the old royal art. was contingent upon an addition being made to the funds for retired full pay, which was not, however, provided for in the estimates for 1864-65, none of these officers have been absorbed, except those required to form a new brigade. H.R.H. the Field Marshal C. in C. has accordingly proposed that in the new brigades such officers shall be placed on the supernum. list as heretofore, until such a practice has ceased in the old royal art.

To this proposal I have agreed, and accordingly the field officers of the new brigades, who may be appd. to the ordnance dept., will continue to be seconded as heretofore, until further orders.—I have, &c. (Signed) C. Wood.

No. 19.—The services of Asst. surg. W. Watson, m.d., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the N.W.P.

No. 21.—The underment. officer has reported his return from England:—

Asst. surg. B. W. Switzer, F.R.C.S. of the med. dept., date of arrival at Fort William, Jan. 1.

STAFF SALARIES.

No. 24.—The following paras. of a mily. letter from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, No. 344 of Nov. 7 last, are published for general information:—

In reply to your letter (No. 322) dated Sept. 19 last, which submits for my decision a question which has been mooted, whether the provisions of the G.O. by your Govt., dated Aug. 1, 1863, No. 494, should apply to appts. with native regts., I have to inform you that I agree with the C. in C. and your Govt. that the provisions of that order would not be appropriated to regtl. appts.

That order declared that henceforth no officer acting in an appt. should receive more than one-half the staff salary attached thereto, until he should have acted six months in it. I am of opinion with you that when there is a full vacancy in the command or other appts. in a native regt., or an acting vacancy in which the whole staff salary is available, the acting incumbent should receive full pay.

This interpretation is, of course, subject to the condition referred to in the 5th para. of your letter under reply, that under no circumstances shall the Govt. have to pay more than the authorised salary of appt., whether drawn by one officer or divided between two; and that no officer acting in an appt. shall draw more than the full salary belonging to it.

No. 25.—The following proms. by brevet are made under the operation of Govt. G.O. No. 632 of Aug. 4, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Brevet.

Staff Corps.—Capt. B. Parrott (major in the staff corps) to be major, from Feb. 18, 1861.

4th Eur. Regt.—Capt. G. A. Cuyler, to be maj., from Dec. 29, 1864.

31st N.I.—Capt. A. Ellis, to be major, from Dec. 29, 1864.

Jan. 5.—No. 88a.—Mr. P. S. Melvill, of the C.S., is perm. to proceed to Eur. on furl. for a period of 3 yrs., from the date of embarkation.

No. 218.—Lieut. G. H. Trevor, R.A., officd. as insp. of schools, Eastern Circle, Central Provinces, from Aug. 12, 1862, to the date of this notification, and will continue to offic. in that appointment.

Jan. 10.—No. 222.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to appoint Asst. surg. J. Reid, of the Bengal estab., to be civil asst. surg. of the Bhundara dist., in the central provinces.

Jan. 11.—No. 250.—Dr. J. P. Cromarty, civil surg. of Tavoy, has received 1 mo. prepy. leave from Dec. 22, to enable him to appear before a medical committee in Calcutta.

No. 251.—Leave of absence for 2 yrs. is granted to Dr. J. P. Cromarty, civil surg., Tavoy, under para. 11 of the Uncovenanted Absentee Rules, from the date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 255.—Rev. J. Dawson, asst. chaplain of the Bengal estab., has leave for 11 mo., from the date of the embarkation of H.M.'s 71st regt., to which he is at present att.

No. 300.—The Gov. gen. in Council has been pleased to grant to Dr. W. H. Clarke, recorder of Rangoon and Mouhmein, leave of absence for 15 mo., on m.c., and to appoint Mr. J. P. Kennedy to be recorder on the full salary of the appt. during the absence of Dr. Clarke.

Jan. 12.—No. 359.—Capt. C. R. Shaw, appd. a cantonment mag. of Lucknow by orders No. 6,564, dated 16th ult., assumed charge of his office from Capt. H. S. V. Fisher on the afternoon of the 22nd idem.

The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the following officer with the powers of a mag.:—

Capt. C. R. Shaw, within the limits of the cantonment of Lucknow.

COURT OF SMALL CAUSES, LUCKNOW.

Under the provisions of Sec. 6 of Act XXII. of 1864, the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to sanction the estab. of a Court of Small Causes, within the limits of the cantonment of Lucknow, for the trial of suits not exceeding Rs. 500 in value.

Under the provisions of Sec. 44 of Act XXII. of 1864, the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to empower the judicial comr. of Oude to exercise, in respect to the Court of Small Causes within the cantonment of Lucknow, the powers vested in the Sudder Court by the provisions of Act XLII. of 1860.

No. 360.—Mr. T. Garrett, postmaster of Bombay, is transf. to Madras, and Mr. Stuart, postmaster of Madras, is transf. to Bombay.

No. 361.—Dr. S. C. Townsend, Bengal medical

establishment, to be civil surg. of Nagpore, in the room of Dr. Hende, who has obtained furl.

No. 363.—The services of Asst. surg. C. E. W. Bensley, m.d., civil surg. of Raepore, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

No. 366.—Mr. T. N. Wilson, C.S., reported qualified for the public service, is attached to the Bengal div. of the Presidency of Fort William.

No. 367.—Mr. McAuliffe, C.S., reported qualified for the public service, is attached to the N.W.P., the Punjab, and Oude.

The services of Mr. McAuliffe, junior civil servant, are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept., for employment in the Punjab.

No. 368.—Mr. J. C. Williams, C.S., reported qualified for the public serv., is attached to the N.W.P., the Punjab, and Oude.

No. 369.—Mr. J. C. Williams, jun. C.S., having obtd. a certificate of high proficiency in Hindi, has been presented with the authorised donation of Rs. 800.

No. 370.—Mr. J. R. Hallett, jun. C.S., having, within the prescribed interval after arrival in India, passed examinations in two languages, has been presented with the authorised donation of Rs. 800.

SMALL CAUSE COURT OF FYZABAD.

Jan. 13.—No. 372.—Under the provisions of Sec. 6 of Act XXII. of 1864, the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to sanction the establishment of a Court of Small Causes within the limits of the cantonment of Fyzabad, for the trial of suits not exceeding Rs. 500 in value.

Under the provisions of Sec. 44 of Act XXII. of 1864, the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to empower the judicial comr. of Oude to exercise, in respect to the Court of Small Causes within the cantonment of Fyzabad, the powers vested in the Sudder Court by the provisions of Act XLII. of 1860.

No. 373.—The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Calcutta has granted 1 mo. priv. leave to the Rev. C. S. P. Parish, chaplain of Mouhmein, from the date on which he may avail himself of it.

No. 374.—Priv. leave of absence for 2 mo., with effect from the date on which he may avail himself of it, is granted to Dr. G. Y. Hunter, civil surg. of Nimar.

Jan. 10.—No. 8.—Capt. J. G. Bell, dep. comr. of South-West Berar, is invested with the powers described in Sec. 1 of Act XV. of 1862.

Lieut. Huddleston, dep. comr. of South-East Berar, is invested with the powers described in Sec. 1 of Act XV. of 1862.

No. 13.—Capt. C. T. O. Mayne, an asst. comr. in the Hyderabad assigned districts, is invested with the powers of a mag., under Sec. 22 of Act XXV. of 1861.

Jan. 11.—No. 15.—The foll. officers, at present exercising the powers of a mag. in the Hyderabad assigned districts, are invested with authority to decide cases under Act IX. of 1860:—

Capt. J. Alardyce, dep. com., East Berar.

Mr. J. G. Cordery, offic. dep. com., West Berar.

Capt. J. G. Bell, dep. com., South-West Berar.

Lieut. Huddleston, dep. com., South-East Berar.

Capt. J. T. Bushby, 1st class asst. com.

Lieut. H. C. A. Szezepanski, 1st class, asst. com.

Mr. C. Hordern, 2nd class asst. com.

Lieut. K. J. L. Mackenzie, 2nd class asst. com.

Lieut. J. Fitzgerald, 2nd class asst. com.

Lieut. R. Bullock, 3rd class asst. com.

Capt. C. T. O. Mayne, 3rd class asst. com.

Mr. C. W. Davies, extra asst. comr., 1st class.

Mr. J. H. Burns, extra asst. comr., 2nd class.

Jan. 11.—No. 5.—Lieut. J. R. McK. Homfray, doing duty officer in the 36th regt. N.I., is app. to be doing duty officer in the Malwa Bheel corps.

Jan. 12.—No. 8.—Maj. A. M. Mackenzie, comdt., Meywar Bheel corps, and superint. of Hilly Tracts in Maywar, availed himself, on Dec. 5, of the priv. leave granted him in G.O. No. 202, dated Oct. 6 last, making over charge of his current duties to Lieut. and adjt. W. Battye, of the Meywar Bheel corps.

Jan. 10.—No. 21.—H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to recognise Mr. Auguste Burmester as Consul for Bremen at Cocanada, on the Coromandel Coast.

Jan. 13.—No. 32.—With reference to G.O. No. 185, dated June 22, 1864, it is hereby notified that H.M.'s Govt. has sanctioned the app. of Mr. J. Black as acting vice consul for Denmark, at Rangoon, during the absence of Mr. W. S. Steel.

No. 34.—With reference to G.O. No. 243, dated July 9, 1864, it is hereby notified that H.M.'s Govt. has sanctioned the app. of Mr. J. J. Phillips as con-

sular agent *ad interim* for France at Kurrachee, in the room of Mons. H. de Closets.

Jan. 11.—No. 39.—Lieut. C. W. Street, asst. comsur. 2nd class, in British Burmah, made over charge of the Treasury of the Amherst district to Mr. G. E. Barr, offic. asst. comsur., on Dec. 10 last.

No. 40.—Mr. G. A. Boswell, extra asst. comsur., 1st class, Hyderabad assigned districts, returned to his duty on Dec. 22 last, from the privilege leave granted him in G.O. No. 1,580, dated Dec. 15.

No. 41.—The one mo. privilege leave granted by the Lord Bishop of Calcutta to the Rev. J. H. Hocking, chaplain of Gwalior, is confirmed.

No. 44.—Lieut. T. Cadell, v.c., dep. Bheel agent and political asst., will conduct the duties of Major Cumming, in addition to his own, during the abs. of Major Cumming on the leave granted to him in G.O., No. 1,275, dated Nov. 17.

No. 53.—Lieut. col. R. C. Lawrence, c.b., dep. comr. of Simla, is app. to offic. as resident in Nepal, during the abs. on leave of Col. G. Ramsay.

No. 56.—Mr. R. D. Nuthall, app. in G.O., dated Sept. 21 last, No. 1,268, to be supt. of elephant keddabs in the Central Provs., entered on the duties of his office on Dec. 6.

Jan. 12.—No. 68.—Lieut. A. N. Bruce, asst. to the Gov. gen.'s agent, received charge of the office of asst. gen. supt. for the suppression of Thuggee in Rajpootana, on Dec. 23, from Capt. D. W. Wise.

No. 70.—Mr. F. O. Mayne, c.b., received charge of the Baiswarra commissionership from Capt. J. Perkins on the forenoon of Dec. 19 last.

Mr. H. S. Boys, asst. comr. in Oudh, received charge of his office at Nawabgunge on the afternoon of Dec. 18.

No. 71.—The serv. of Mr. M. McAuliffe, C.S., are placed at the disposal of the Punjab Govt.

TESTS FOR CIVIL ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING.

Jan. 9.—No. 7.—Paras. 62 to 66 inclusive, of section LVIII. of the mily. regs., relating to tests for civil engrng. and surveying, having been expunged under the orders of the Govt. of India, in mily. dept., it is hereby notified that the only tests in force for the admission of military officers into the engineer establishment of the public works dept. are those laid down in chap. ii. pars. 34 to 36 of the public works code. Henceforth the names of all military officers who have passed those tests will be notified by the Govt. of India in the public works dept.; those who pass the ordinary test will be distinguished in the Army List by the letters C E against their names, and those who attain the higher standard at the Thomason College by the letters T C.

THE IRRIGATION WORKS IN THE PUNJAB.

Jan. 11.—No. 9.—The irrigation works in the Punjab will henceforth be divided into two circles of superintendence.

The Deputy Director of Canals in the Punjab will become the Superintending Engineer of the Western Circle, which will comprise all the districts west of the Sutlej, and include the Barea Doad Canal, the Inundation Canals, the Indus Canals, the Rechna Doab Survey.

The Western Jumna Canal will cease to be regarded as an executive charge, and the superintendent will become Superintending Engineer of the Eastern Circle, which will comprise all the districts east of the Sutlej, and include the Executive Divisions of the Western Jumna Canal and the Delhi and Goorgaon Works.

No. 10.—Mr. R. D. Hamilton, asst. acct., 2nd class, with temp. rank of acct., 3rd class, Mysore, has been granted 1 mo. priv. leave, with effect from Dec. 2 last.

Jan. 12.—No. 11.—Mr. W. C. Hennessey, asst. engr., 1st class, N.W.P., passed the examination in Hiadoostani prescribed by G.O.G.G. dated Jan. 9, 1837, on July 29 last.

Jan. 7.—No. 26.—The undmtd. officers are admitted to the Bengal staff corps with effect from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India:—

Capt. W. R. Gordon, of the late 68th regt. N.I., dist. supt. of police, 1st grade, Darjeeling, April 29, 1862.

Lieut. M. C. Perreau, of the late 47th regt. N.I., asst. examiner of commissariat and stud accounts, March 4, 1862.

No. 27.—The undmtd. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on m.c.:—

Surg. W. B. Butt, of the med. dept., for 20 mo., under the new regulations.

Jan. 9.—No. 28.—Lieut. col. S. R. Tickell, of the Bengal staff corps, is perm. to retire from the vice on the pension of a col. from the 15th inst.

No. 29.—Capt. A. Crawford, of the late 9th regt. N.I., is perm. to retire from the service on the pension of his rank from the 19th inst.

No. 30.—Lieut. col. A. Impey, of the R.E., chief engr. and secy. to the chief commissioner, pub. works dept., Central Provinces (since retired), was perm. to proceed to Eur. on furl. for 3 yrs., under the old rules, with effect from March 29, 1864, the date of his departure from Bombay.

No. 31.—Maj. G. A. Williams, of the Bengal staff corps, dist. supt. of police, Punjab, who was in G.G.O. No. 853 of 1864, app. to offic. as 2nd in comd. and wing officer, 4th Punjab inf., is, at his own request, perm. to resign his appt. under the Punjab Govt., and is placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C.

No. 32.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appts.:—

Punjab Irregular Force, 4th Cavalry.—Cornet T. Shepherd, 20th Hussars, 3rd squadron officer, to be adjt., in room of Capt. A. H. Prinsep, who vacates that appt. on prom.

Capt. A. H. Prinsep, to be 3rd squadron officer, v. Cornet Shepherd.

No. 33.—Surg. J. A. C. Hutchinson, m.d., of the medical dept., is perm. to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope on m.c., and to be absent from Bengal on that account for 2 yrs., under the old regs.

No. 34.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proceed to Europe on furl.:—Capt. T. M. Shelley, of the late 11th regt. N.I., for 3 yrs., under the old regs.

No. 35.—Capt. and brev. maj. M. J. Brander, of the late 40th N.I., dep. asst. coms. gen., is allowed leave for 2 mo. from such date as he may avail himself of it, to visit the presidency, prepy. to applying for leave to Europe on m.c.

No. 36.—Capt. J. Bruce, of No. 2 company Calcutta volunteer rifle corps, is allowed leave to Eur. for 12 mo., from 3rd inst.

No. 37.—The following order issued by the Govt. of Fort St. George is confirmed:—

Dec. 20.—No. 483.—Granting leave of absence to Eur., on m.c., to Capt. A. C. Lilly, of the Madras staff corps, 2nd in com., 3rd inf., Hyderabad contingent, for 20 mo., embarking at Madras.

No. 39.—Capt. (brev. major) A. E. Osborn, of the late 45th N.I., is allowed an ext. of leave from Nov. 30 to Dec. 27, 1864, the date on which he returned to Bengal from sick leave to the Cape of Good Hope.

No. 40.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave of abs. on m.c.:—

Lieut. col. W. T. Money, of the 31st regt. Madras L.I., for 2 years, under the old regs.

Jan. 10.—No. 41.—The services of Lieut. P. H. M. Wynter, of the late 32nd regt. N.I., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

Jan. 11.—No. 42.—With reference to the notification issued by the Govt. of Bengal, dated 5th inst., the services of Surg. maj. J. Sutherland, civil surg. of Patna, are, at his own request, placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C.

No. 43.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe, on leave of absence, on m.c.:—

Lieut. A. B. Fox, veteran estab., deputy asst. comy. of the army commissariat dept., for 20 mo., under new regs.

No. 45.—The undmtd. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on furl.:—

Capt. (brev. maj.) R. A. Napper, of the late 55th regt. N.I., for 3 yrs., under the old regs.

Jan. 12.—No. 46.—The undmtd. officers are perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on m.c.:—

Capt. (brev. maj.) S. Sage, of the late 30th regt. N.I., 2nd in comd. and wing officer, 37th (the Meerut) regt. N.I., for 2 yrs., under the old regs.

Capt. A. G. Duff, of the 36th regt. Madras N.I., officg. dep. comr. Ramree, for 20 mo., under the new regs.

Lieut. F. Currie, of the late 1st Eur. L.C., asst. comr., Roy Bareilly, for 20 mo., under the new regs.

No. 47.—The undmtd. officers have reported their return from England:—

Capt. (brev. maj.) W. Irwin, late 49th N.I., date of arrival at Fort William, Dec. 26, 1864.

Lieut. col. A. A. Macdonell, Bengal inf., 1st class asst., stud. dept.; and 2nd Capt. J. P. Basevi, royal engr., 1st asst., great trigonometrical survey of India; date of arrival at Fort William, Jan. 5, 1865.

Lieut. D. T. H. Sampson, Bengal staff corps, adjt. 9th Bengal cav.; date of arrival at Bombay, Dec. 26, 1864.

No. 48.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased

to attach Capt. T. F. C. Rochford, late 4th Eur. L.C., and late offic. adjt. of his Excellency's body guard, to the stud department, for general duty, under the superintendent of studs, until further orders.

No. 49.—Ensign E. A. Raikes, H.M.'s 107th foot, asst. comsur., Punjab, admitted to the Bengal staff corps in G.G.O. No. 1,049 of Dec. 20 last, will rank as lieut. in that corps, under the operation of paragraph 84 of G.G.O. No. 332 of 1861, with effect from March 4 last, subject to her Majesty's approval.

No. 50.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 1,004 of 9th inst., the services of Surg. W. B. Beatson, m.d., are placed at disposal of Government of Bengal.

No. 51.—The undermentioned officer is admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the date specified opposite to his name, subject to the confirmation of the Rt. Hon. the Secretary of State for India:—

Lieut. E. G. Lillingston, H.M.'s 71st foot, asst. comsur. of Lohardugga; Nov. 17, 1863.

Jan. 13.—No. 54.—Appts.:—

Maj. H. E. Jerome, v.c., of H.M.'s 19th foot, officg. brig. maj., to be a brig. maj. on the estab., in succession to Maj. O. Ward, res.

Capt. H. Fellowes, Bengal staff corps, 2nd in command and wing officer 15th (the Loodianah) regt. N.I., to be a brig. maj. on the estab., in succession to Capt. J. B. Saunders, proceeding to Eur. on leave under the old rules.

No. 55.—The services of Capt. W. R. Tucker, of the R.E., are placed at the disposal of the Public Works Dept.

No. 56.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proceed to Europe on leave on m.c.:—2nd Capt. (Brev. maj.) F. S. Roberts, v.c., of the R.A., asst. qmr. gen. for 20 mo., under new regs.

No. 57.—The undermen. officer has reported his return from England:—2nd Capt. W. H. Burton, of the R.E. (Madras), date of arrival at Fort William, Jan. 6.

STAFF.—No. 59.—The underment. officers are admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India:—

Capt. D. Macdonald, of the late 25th N.I., asst. surveyor, in charge 2nd div. Lower Provs., Aug. 13, 1864.

Lieut. D. C. Andrew, of the gen. list inf., asst. surveyor, 3rd div. Central Provs., Jan. 18, 1864.

No. 60.—G.O. No. 965, of Dec. 1, 1864, granting leave, on m.c., to Eur., for 20 mo., to Sur. W. B. Beatson, m.d., is cauc.

Military Letters.

QUALIFYING SERVICE FOR RANK OF COLONEL.

No. 58.—The following military letter from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India, No. 377, dated Nov. 25, 1864, and the abstract of rulings therein referred to, are published.

The principle of the rules will apply to officers of the Indian army holding qualifying appointments as well as to officers of the staff corps similarly situated, and whose promotion to the rank of colonel is not provided for under para. 2 of the Staff Corps Warrant.

Military No. 377.

India-office, London, Nov. 25, 1864.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Governor General of India in Council.

SIR,—The Secretary of State for War has recently determined on a revision of the computations of qualifying service upon which officers of H.M.'s service have obtained promotion to the rank of colonel under the Royal Warrant of 1858.

2. An abstract of the rulings of the Secretary of State for War, in interpretation of the Warrant, which have governed the revisions in the cases of British officers, is herewith transmitted, in order that a similar course may be adopted in reference to officers of H.M.'s Indian forces under the Warrant applicable to them.—I have, &c.,

(Signed) C. Wood.

Qualifying service required of a lieutenant colonel previous to his obtaining the rank of colonel in the army under the provisions of the Royal Warrant of Oct. 14, 1858:—

Horse-guards, Sept. 8, 1864.

Lieutenant colonels after serving five years in the following appointments will be promoted to the rank of colonel:—

1. Regimental lieutenant colonel, command of a regiment, second lieutenant colonel of a regiment.
2. Major and lieutenant colonel, household cavalry.

8. Major, household cavalry.
 4. Mounted officer, foot guards.
 5. Deputy adjutant general.
 6. Deputy quartermaster general.
 7. Assistant adjutant general.
 8. Assistant quartermaster general.
 9. Military secretary (or assistant military secretary when there shall be no military secretary) to such general officers alone as are exercising the supreme command of a station.
 10. Commissioner to the head-quarters of an allied army.
 11. Members of the council of military education.
 12. Inspector general of army schools.
 13. Lieutenant governor or superintendent of studies at the Royal Military College.
 14. Commandant of the Staff College.
 15. Military superintendent of a manufacturing department of the army.
 16. Regimental majors who are brevet lieutenant-colonels in temporary command of regiments in the absence of the lieutenant-colonel shall reckon any periods of temporary command which exceed one calendar month.
 17. Captain or major with rank of brevet lieutenant-colonel in command of a mixed force amounting to 400 men for a period exceeding one calendar month at a time, unless the officer in temporary command shall be in receipt of the pay of the command owing to the death or removal of the commandant, when the period (short of one calendar month) for which he receives the pay will be admitted as service of a qualifying nature under clause 11.
 18. Regimental major who is a brevet lieutenant-colonel in command of a wing of a regiment serving abroad which may be so divided as to constitute two distinct commands.
 19. Deputy inspector of fortifications.
 20. Assistant inspectors of volunteers if substitute field officers.
- Lieutenant-colonels after serving eight years in the following appointments will be promoted to the rank of colonel:—
1. Equerry to Sovereign.
 2. With the rank of lieutenant-colonel obtained for service in the field.
 3. In a civil appointment, provided the nature of such be considered calculated to give the officer such practical experience as may afterwards prove advantageous to the service to which he belongs.
 4. Appointment as commanding R.E.
- Assistant instructors of volunteers, if captain, with brevet rank of lieutenant-colonel obtained for service in the field.

NOTES ON FOREGOING.

All periods of leave of absence granted to an officer will be considered as part of his service.

The only service which a captain who is a brevet Lieut. col. can reckon towards promotion after 5 years is named on page 3, No. 17.

Officers appointed to staff situations at home (not commissioned) will reckon service from date of taking up the staff duties, and officers selected for similar appointments abroad will reckon service from date of embarkation to the station until date of disembarkation when returning home. Officers acting in staff appointments which qualify for the rank of colonel are not permitted to reckon such service unless confirmed in the appointment.

Durbar by the Lieut. gov. of the Punjab.

Jan. 9.—No. 37.—At noon, on the 7th inst., the Hon. the Lieut. gov. held a Durbar, for the purpose of conferring on the honorary magistrates of Lahore and Amritsur the titles and distinctions lately bestowed on them by H.E. the Viceroy in token of his approbation of their services; and also for presenting khilluts to those who had distinguished themselves in the cause of female education.

The Judicial and Financial Commissioners, the Commissioner of Lahore, and many civil officers and non-official gentlemen were present as spectators, also their Highnesses the Rajahs of Kapurthalla and Faridkot, and a large number of the native gentry of Lahore, Umritsur, and its vicinity.

His Honour opened the proceedings with an address in Hindustani, to the following effect:—

“Chiefs, Sardars, and Gentlemen,—

“I hold this Durbar for the special purpose of conferring upon the Honorary Magistrates of Lahore and Amritsur the titles graciously bestowed upon them by H.E. the Viceroy, as a mark of his approbation of their services in the promotion of the public good, and more particularly in administering justice and aiding the cause of female education.

“But others, too, in many of the cities and districts of this province, in Jullundhur, in Rawalpindi,

in Gurgaon, in Amballa, in Delhi, in Ferozepur, in Mooltan, and other places, have, in like manner, exerted themselves in promoting female education, as may be seen in the list I now hold in my hand. I would that they too were here, that I might now thank them for the assistance they have rendered in a cause which I have so much at heart; but though absent they shall not be forgotten.

“Those who are present will receive khilluts at my hands, those that are absent will also receive khilluts through the commissioners of their respective divisions.

“When I addressed you two years ago and asked for your assistance, there were only a few females here and there under instruction.

“Female education has now been introduced into sixteen districts; there is an aggregate of 662 schools, and more than 13,000 female scholars.

“In addition to the approval of his Excellency the Viceroy and my own, it is gratifying to me to announce to you, that I have recently received from Sir C. Wood, the Secretary of State for India, a letter dated the 31st October, in which he has expressed his great gratification at the spontaneous efforts made by the chiefs and others in furthering female education, and has specially mentioned the exertions of Baba Khem Singh.

“Chiefs, Sardars, Citizens,

“I am now about to resign the government of this province, and leave you; but I feel confident that when I am gone you will continue your exertions. Write and tell me how female education progresses, for you may rest assured that though absent I shall feel a deep interest in what I know will add so much to the happiness of your households.”

The following titles and distinctions were then conferred, accompanied by appropriate khilluts:—

Ali Reza Khan, hon. mag. of Lahore; the title of Nawab.

Ajoudhia Parshad, hon. mag. of Lahore; a letter from the Viceroy, containing the complimentary prefix of “Diwan.”

Sardar Mangal Singh, hon. mag. of Amritsur; a letter from the Viceroy with the complimentary suffix “Bawekar.”

Abd-ul-Majid Khan, hon. mag. of Lahore; the title of Nawab.

Lala Ratan Chand, Datiwalah, hon. mag. of Lahore; a letter from the Viceroy, with the complimentary prefix of “Diwan.”

Fakir Shamsh-ud-din, hon. mag. of Lahore; the title of “Khan.”

Misa Giran Chand, of Amritsur; the title of “Rae.”

Pandit Shankar Nath, of Lahore; a letter from the Viceroy, with the prefix of “Diwan.”

Babu Mohan Lal, of Amritsur; the title of “Rae.”

Mian Mahommed Shab, of Amritsur; the title of “Khan.”

Duni Chand, of Umritsur; the title of “Rae.”

Khilluts and complimentary parwanabs were then presented to the following persons, in approbation of their exertions in the promotion of female education:—

Sardar Shamsher Singh, Raja Harbans Singh, Baba Khem Singh, Sardar Bhagwan Singh, Nihal Singh Chachi, Bhai Charanjit Singh, Ghulam Mahbub Subhani, Bhai Nundgopal, Bhai Khesraj, Bhai Mihan Singh, Bhai Pardoman Singh, Sardar Mahtab Singh, Mahant Brambuta, Sardar Jaimal Singh, Pandit Manphul Syud Hadi Hosein, Agha Kalbaid, Pandit Jaishi Ram, La a Kanhai Lal, Pandit Shama Charn, Ram Balawa Mal, Bhai Bhagat Ram, Pandit Rha la Krishn, Rae Mu Singh, Sheo Das, Mian Mahammad Shab, Fakir Kamrudin, Bakshi Kunhia Lal, Barkat Ali, Sohan Lal, Syud Reza Shab Sandhe Khan, Sheikh Ferozedin, Nand Singh, Divan Bishan Singh, Lala Sahib Singh, Harkishan, Sikandar Khan, Shih Ram Das, Madde Mal, Harjas Rae, Baggu Mal, Harsukh Rae, Ram Dial, Jowahir Mal, Parma Lal, Daryana Mal, Mathra Parshad, Kalum Singh, Mangu Mal, Mahammad Jan Gurditt Singh, Ghulam Hasan, Pandit Billu, Bhai Gulab Singh, Sardah Khan, Ram Kishen, Buda Singh, Jehangiri Mal, and Ditta Shab.

After the above khilluts had been presented, a letter was read, from his Highness the Raja of Kapurthalla, intimating that he placed at the disposal of the Native Committee of Female Education a donation of Rs. 500, and a further monthly subscription of Rs. 100.

Two farewell addresses were then read and presented, one by H.H. the Raja of Kapurthalla, and one by a deputation of the citizens of Lahore and Amritsur.

The letter was to the following effect:—

“Your Honour is about to leave us, with all honour, for England, your native country, and our grief for your departure will never be effaced, and your liberality and benevolence will never be forgotten. Your departure for Europe is honourable and propitious, and you leave a glorious name behind you.

“It is impossible for us to express our thanks for all your goodness. Our children, and our children's children, throughout all time, will be mindful of your good deeds.

“Your honour came to this province at the time of the annexation; and you were first appointed Commissioner of Lahore. It was the commencement of a new rule, and of a new order of things; but through your kindness and impartiality and justice all, both nobles and peasants, rich and poor, were contented and grateful; and the business of the State was well performed. The country was happily settled, encamping grounds and roads were made, trees and gardens were planted, and rest-houses and granaries for the use and comfort of travellers were built. By your energy and good management Thuggee, Dacoity, and highway robbery were stopped; the people were secure, and the country became populated; and these crimes have been so completely extirpated that their names are now all but forgotten.

“Schools were established in towns and villages, and a Government College and Medical Hall were formed, in which thousands may obtain a good education and means of livelihood; and our nobles have acquired the unfading riches of science and wisdom.

“When our good fortune appointed your Honour Judicial Commissioner, the practice of female infanticide, common in some tribes, was stopped. The people of this country were preserved from a great crime, and the lives of their infant daughters are now for ever secure. The extravagant expenditure at betrothals and marriages, which was in some measure the cause of the murder of our girls, has been by you regulated, and betrothals and marriages are now easy of accomplishment.

“What can we say of the criminal and civil administration? The offices are full of the records of your good government. You had compiled a Civil Code, which is a clear exponent of Muhommedan and Hindu law and the local customs of the people.

“In 1857 it was much owing to the energy of your Honour that the province was preserved in peace. What you did at the disarming of the mutinous sepoy at Meean Meer, in guarding the gaols and in extinguishing the flame of sedition, which threatened the destruction of the whole province, are matters of history. The preservation of the capital was the preservation of the entire province.

“It is owing to you that we now possess a conviction that the Government appreciates our loyalty, and knows that we will not betray its confidence. Our prosperity and our loss is now one with that of the State.

“You were selected to be chief commissioner in Oude, and that province was restored to tranquillity. At length our good fortune brought you again to us as lieut. gov., and your benevolence and good deeds in this office are beyond our praise. From a wilderness the country has become like a garden in spring. Upon the deserving amongst us you bestowed rank, titles, and estates; to the great chiefs the right of adoption was secured; scattered estates have been consolidated; Panjabis have been encouraged to enter the armies of the State; and portions of our jagirs have been upheld in perpetuity; our honour has been increased, and we feel that we are acknowledged as well-wishers of the Government. From the establishment of municipal committees the people have received much benefit, and the introduction of the new police has caused diminution of crime, and has given confidence to the public.

“Your Honour has well commenced the education of those very girls whose lives were preserved by your labours, and whose betrothal and marriage you had rendered easy. These and many other good deeds will ever preserve your memory fresh amongst us.

“At the commencement of 1864 you inaugurated an Industrial Exhibition, collecting all the products of the Punjab in a stately and matchless building, which you had caused to be erected at the capital. You gave rewards and certificates to mechanics and workmen, and encouraged them to improve the manufactures of the province. The gardens and canals you have made around the city of Lahore are proofs of your kindness and liberality. All have received benefit. What comfort and convenience have all derived from railways and telegraphs! The in-

THE TALOOKDARS OF OUDH, under the name of the British Indian Association, held two meetings in the Kaisur Bagh on 30th December last and again on the 4th January, to protest against enquiry into the rights of their tenants. They concluded a series of long and excited speeches by appointing a committee, representing the various estates in the province, to sit in permanence and watch over their interests. Moulavee Fazal Rasool, Sahib of Jelalpoor, thus described the paternal relation of the talookdar to his tenants: "Our pockets are all empty by advancing money to our ryots, to till our lands, and to alleviate their sufferings. At that we do not murmur, because they are our children, and their wants must be looked at first." Maharajah Man Sing thus put his view of the case: "You are all aware that our ryots live on our estates only by sufferance. They have been allowed to retain hold of our lands for generations not because they had any right to what they held, but because we were kind enough not to deprive them of their homes and comforts every now and then. We made them settle on our lands, advanced money to them to till our soil, took care of their eternal and worldly welfare, and permitted their children to occupy the holdings with which their dearest associations were connected, not because they had any right to them, but because it is the nature of man not to oust and unmake those whom we have made with our own hands." And Baboo Dukhinarunjun Mookerjee, the Bengalee founder of the association, advanced this statement:—"The rights of the under-proprietors we have acknowledged. The others were but retainers, who, instead of being paid in money, were allowed to take pieces of land at a rate less than the others. These retainers, in most cases, did not cultivate the lands themselves. They let them to low caste persons who paid rent to them again. Now who should have the right of occupancy? The retainers, or their tenants? Mr. Thomason himself says, that these low-caste under-tenants have no right; consequently the retainers must have the right. The retainers received the use of the lands on the express condition that as long as their services would be required so long shall their holdings continue. Their services are now dispensed with. They were only needed in times of anarchy and misrule." One speaker exclaimed, "We will adopt all constitutional means to prevent invasion of our rights, albeit we may have to cross the ocean." (Cries of "Albut" from all around.) The Talookdars, we trust, are unnecessarily alarmed. The best thing for their own interests is to assist in making the enquiry into tenant rights as full and complete as possible. Till action is taken on the results of the enquiry there is no ground for such excitement.

ENFACED GOVERNMENT PAPER.—The total amount of enfaced Government paper in London, as shown by the books in Calcutta up to the 6th January, is £9,552,060. Of this £4,747,540 is in the Five per Cents. of 1856-57, and £2,362,300 in the Five-and-a-Half per Cents. The amount of our debt is steadily rising, as held in England. Every additional rupee held there is a new guarantee that England will take more interest in India.

VICEREGAL PATRONAGE.—The *Englishman* says that Colonel Strachey goes home by the second steamer in February, Colonel Dickens succeeding him as Secretary to Government in the Public Works Department. The chief engineer of the North-West Provinces has gone home; those of the Punjab, Bengal, British Burmah, and Lighthouses are about to follow, so that within the space of a few months the Viceroy will have had at his disposal five chief engineerships, besides the post of chief secretary.

EDWARD CLEARY, who showed such heroism on the Hooghly during the cyclone, has received the gold medal of the Shipwrecked Fishermen and Mariners' Royal Benevolent Society.

THE OUDH EXHIBITION.—The Oudh Exhibition closed on the 2nd January, Mr. Wingfield, accompanied by Sir Hugh Rose, and surrounded by ladies, officers and talookdars, distributed the silver and bronze medals and money to the successful competitors in the four great classes of live stock, machinery, agricultural progress and arts and manufactures. The first department was superintended by Major Aitken, Dr. Cannon and Captain Ryall. The *Oudh Mail* states that the little Gyeree cow, the Thibetan sheep, dogs belonging to the Commander-in-Chief and Captain Chapman and the pack of harriers attracted most attention. In the department of agricultural implements most of the prizes were taken away by Messrs. Thomson and Co. and Messrs. Lepage and Co. of Calcutta, to whom special gold medals were awarded as the two most enterprising exhibitors. Gold medals were awarded also to Messrs. Hamilton and Co., Osler and Co., and E. Thompson and Co., the Maharajah of Bulrampore, Maun Singh, and Mr. W. Duff Bruce. The Exhibition seems to have been conducted in a most spirited manner, and reflects credit on all who are connected with it.

A METEOROLOGICAL PREDICTION.—Since 1857 there has been a Meteorological Committee attached to the Bengal Asiatic Society. In June, 1862, it recommended the Government of India to constitute a body similar to the Meteorological Committee of the Board of Trade. As if anticipating the cyclone of 1864, the writers warned Government of the possible near approach of one of "the terrific hurricanes that from time to time have swept over the seas of Bengal, causing the most calamitous destruction of property in shipping, and carrying death almost to the entire population of whole districts, that have been submerged by the storm-wave." The Government of Lord Elgin then called for a definite report, but meanwhile Sir John Lawrence has made over the whole subject to the new Sanitary Commission. The Society, however, have published their report, recommending the expenditure of Rs. 67,600 a year on a General Superintendent, seven local reporters, each attached to one of the seven administrations, and local observers selected, assisted and supervised in a really efficient manner.

PAPER CURRENCY.—The following figures show the state of the paper currency at the close of the year:—

Date of Return.	Circles of Issue.	Notes in Circulation.	Silver Coin Reserve.	Silver Bullion Reserve.	Government Securities held in Calcutta.
1864.					
Dec. 31	Calcutta	2,90,91,920	81,31,775	71,00,000	1,38,63,145
"	Alahabad	14,55,070	14,55,070	—	—
"	Lahore	9,46,200	9,46,200	—	—
"	Nagpore	3,39,450	3,39,450	—	—
"	Madras	65,00,000	29,96,137	—	85,03,868
"	Bombay	3,65,00,000	2,08,71,997	26,00,000	1,30,28,003
		7,48,35,640	3,47,40,629	97,00,000	3,03,95,011
Deduct—					
Notes of other circles cashed at head-office	...	44,300	44,300	—	—
Total	...	7,47,91,340	3,46,96,329	97,00,000	3,03,95,011

The amount in circulation continues to rise, especially in Bombay. Why not invest the other million sterling allowed by law and so set it free for trade?

HARVEST PROSPECTS.—The *Pioneer* gives a hopeful account of the prospects of the crops in the North West. More grain has been sown than wheat, and wheat and barley are not a failure, but merely below average. Cotton is bad, except where it has been cared for by irrigation. A timely fall of rain has removed all anxiety.

DEATH OF MR. T. H. DICKENS.—We notice the death of Mr. T. H. Dickens, late senior magistrate of Calcutta, on his return from Rangoon.

CALCUTTA VOLUNTEERS.—The Viceroy and Lady and Miss Lawrence were present at the review of the Calcutta Volunteers on the 11th January by Major-general Sir R. Napier. Of the 250 men, who constitute the regiment, only half were on the ground. Lady Lawrence, after a few successful words, presented four silver cups to the four successful candidates at the Barrackpore rifle matches. Sir Robert Napier complimented the regiment on its efficiency, and assured them that though he was leaving them, the Viceroy, as an old volunteer, would take a deep interest in their success. With cheers for Lieut.-col. Herbert, the Commandant, and Lady Lawrence, the inspection closed.

RUHMAN KHAN has been sentenced to 8 years' imprisonment as a conspirator. He forged letters from the Maharajah of Cashmere to the Benares chief, inviting the latter to rise against the English, and declared he had a similar mission to the Akhoond of Swat, Feroze Shah, Gwalior and Rewah. The scoundrel was arrested when holding an interview with the Maharajah of Benares, who had given notice to the authorities. The remarkable part of the story, as told by the *Lahore Chronicle*, is that Feroze Shah should be mentioned. If alive he is supposed to be either in Mecca or Persia, but this traitor declared he had a mission to him in India.

TENANT RIGHT IN THE PUNJAB.—The *Lahore Chronicle* states that a committee of revenue officers is to be held at Lahore to consider the question of tenant right in the Punjab, on which the district officers were lately asked to give their opinion. At the last Revenue Settlement, as during all periodical settlements, great mistakes were made, and the object of the committee is to point to a remedy. We feel assured that the Governor-General knows too well the people he so long ruled to create rights, as the writer fears. It is another question whether it is expedient now to enquire into the existing state of things and to attempt to remedy past mistakes either in the Punjab or Oudh.

JAILS.—We hear that the changes and improvements in the internal management and regulation of Mofussil Jails, as proposed by the Indian Prison Committee, have been partially carried out in Bengal and the N. W. Provinces. A Code of Jail Regulations has been prepared for Bengal, and approved of by the Lieutenant-Governor. By the proposed changes, the work of the Inspectors-General of prisons will increase to a certain extent, for which additional office establishments have been allowed to them. The departmental work in the N. W. Provinces will be greater than that in Bengal, for, by the proposed changes, some 27 *bowluts* in those provinces, which were hitherto under the immediate control of the magistrates, will be made over to the Inspector-General of Prisons. In fact, we observe from reliable data that the number of jails under the Inspector-General of the N. W. Provinces is about 69 in excess of that under his brother officer in the Lower Provinces. Besides the above the management and general supervision of all the charitable dispensaries have lately been made over to that officer.—*Hurkaru*, Jan. 12.

THE RUSSIANS IN KHOKAND.—A letter to the Amcer of Cabul, in the *Delhi Gazette*, states that there is a famine in Khokand, and the Russians have proclaimed a remission of land assessment for two years. They are, then, complete masters of the place. They have engaged thousands of labourers to make roads towards Bokhara, and have sent to the Khan of that country four envoys with three lakhs of rupees worth of presents.

THE RAILWAY MURDER.—The *Indian Daily News* states that the probable authors of the Briggs-like murder in a third-class carriage on the East Indian Railway have been discovered in the persons of a jemadar and two pointsmen employed by the railway.

THIBET.—We are now in a position to state the causes of the present struggle in Thibet. Sithia Kazee, the King of Thibet, died the other day, as we stated in a late issue. He was an usurper, and had gained the throne by the expulsion of the rightful owner, Reting. This man took refuge with the Rajah of Nyakoon, and with his assistance, backed by a strong force of Chinese, has entered Llassa. As his expulsion had been effected by the aid of the Dhurm Rajah of Bhootan, he now breathes threatenings and slaughter against that ill-starred potentate, who between Reting on one flank and the British on the other, is in anything but an enviable position. Great disturbances are said to be going on in Thibet, and we are led to suppose that these are caused by the friends and supporters of the now defunct Sithia Kazee.—*Hurkaru*, Jan. 12.

MILITARY OFFICERS IN CIVIL EMPLOY.—The rule which requires the retirement of all civil officers on completing thirty-five years' service has been extended to military officers in civil employ. The latter must retire on attaining the age of fifty-five, and enter into more active employment:—"We are informed that the Secretary of State has established a rule applicable to military officers in civil employment analogous to the rule of thirty-five years in the civil service. It is said that he has ordered that officers in civil employment having reached the age of fifty-five must resign. We do not understand that they must leave the service, but only the civil departments. So that a sixty-year-old may serve as a general, but not as a commissioner—a curious distinction."

A NATIVE OPINION OF THE CONVERTS RE-MARRIAGE BILL.—The *Hindoo Patriot* approves of Mr. Maine's Converts' Re-marriage Bill as giving certain rights to the woman after separation and granting the husband a most necessary relief. The writer cannot see any difficulty in permitting a *purdanashen* woman to be examined by commission in a suit for conjugal society as in other civil suits; and thinks the provision taken from the English law, that the children are to be made over to the father when they are three years old, will be regarded by the people "as a means cunningly devised by the British Government for the forcible conversion of native infants to Christianity."

THE NEPAUL DUKBAR is now interfering, we hear, with the trade with the British provinces, and this interference assumes the worst of all forms, viz., a monopoly. The members of the Dukbar control most of the internal trade of Nepaul, and without their license no one is allowed to sell any article. The trade in tobacco has consequently diminished, and such profits as still accrue fall into the pockets of the Dukbar. It is so adulterated, as might be expected, that the people refuse to touch it. These monopolies are in direct contravention of the spirit of the engagement of 1839. In remembrance of the services of Jung Bahadoor, in 1857, the Governor-General is not inclined to disturb him with any references.

PORTRAIT OF GENERAL NICHOLSON.—Mr. J. C. Parry of the Delhi Bank is raising subscriptions in small sums to supply a portrait gallery of Indian notabilities to the Delhi Institute. There are already portraits of Lord Elgin, Sir John Lawrence, Sir Robert Hamilton, Lord Canning, Sir Henry Lawrence, Lord Lake, Sir Robert Montgomery, Lord Metcalfe, and Mr. F. Cooper, C.B., founder of the Institute, either presented or promised chiefly by native gentlemen. Mr. Parry now asks the adherents of General Nicholson to subscribe Rs. 500 for a portrait of one of whom the Viceroy lately said that, without him, Delhi would not have been taken.

EXTENSION OF SMALL CAUSE COURTS.—The Government of India, under Section 6, Act XXII. of 1864, has sanctioned the establishment of Courts of Small Causes in the cantonments of Lucknow and Fyzabad.

HONOUR TO THE BRAVE.—We learn that in the presence of the entire garrison of Lucknow, comprising 1 Troop of Horse Artillery, 2 Field Batteries, H.M.'s 5th Lancers, and 8th Bengal Cavalry, H.M.'s 36th and 55th Foot, and the 2nd and 33rd Bengal N.I., Major R. M. Aitkin was presented by the Commander-in-Chief with the Victoria Cross. The troops were drawn up round the angle of the Residency nearest the river. His Excellency made an excellent speech and pinned on the decoration with his own hand, after which Major Aitkin returned thanks for the honour which had been conferred upon him.

MR. FLETCHER.—We stated the other day that Mr. Fletcher, the Judge of Bancoorah, had retired on his pension. We believe that this has been the result of certain enquiries which were instituted into his conduct under the orders of Government. Mr. Fletcher was accused of having entered the house of a certain Moonsiff and walked into the female apartments, though without using any violence. It is also alleged that Mr. Fletcher on one occasion introduced his translator into his Court dressed so as to personate a Mr. Mussebrook, and that he has been in the habit of driving natives to court in his carriage.—*Hurkaru*, Jan. 11.

THE FIRST WINDMILL IN CENTRAL INDIA.—The Central India paper mentions that a windmill, just erected by Captain Nembhard in Jubbulpore, is the first the natives had seen. The mill is intended to grind flour and sorkee, and Nursingpore, Seonee and Saugor intend to have one each. It is strange that in a country, and in a high part of a country, where the two monsoons blow so steadily, this kind of mill has been so neglected by Asiatics who love to see results without working for them.

THE BRAMHO SOMAJ.—It was stated at the annual meeting of the Calcutta Tract Society, held in the Town Hall on Monday evening, the 16th January, that on the application of the secretary of the Bramho Somaj the society's Christian publications are to be regularly exchanged for those of the Somaj. The most hopeful sign of the Somaj is the evident earnestness of its leaders in seeking for truth. Like men who wish to get out of the mist, they are feeling after truth if haply they may find it.

CIVIL FURLONGS.—We understand that the following gentlemen, members of the Bengal Civil Service, proceed to England on an early date on furlough:—Mr. H. C. Wake, C.B., Deputy Commissioner of Darjeeling; Mr. J. D. Ward, Magistrate and Collector, Second Grade, Chittagong; Mr. J. D. Dodgson, Civil and Sessions Judge of Mymensing. Mr. Wake leaves India in February, and Mr. Ward in March.

BRITISH BURMAH.—Intelligence has been received from Rangoon to the effect that the Chief Commissioner of British Burmah, under instructions from the Viceroy, has been in treaty with the Count of Ava for the protection of British travellers through his territories, and that Captain Browne, who has reached Mandalay in his capacity of Government Agent, has been instructed to give his attention to the subject.

SOME years ago the Senate of the Calcutta University made a rule that no one could pass for the B.A. who had not matriculated at home, without passing the entrance examination first. We are now informed that this rule has been broken through in favour of Mr. Blochman, a gentleman connected with the Dorseton College.

OPIMUM SALE.—Still the price of opium falls so as to affect seriously the coming budget. On the 11th January the prices were:—

	Chests.	Average.	Proceeds.
Behar.....	2,920	85-11-3½	25,07,125
Benares.....	2,135	77-0-1	15,77,400

DR. CREW, the civil surgeon of Bhaugulpore, goes to the 7th N.I. at Lucknow, and will be succeeded in his post by Dr. Allan.

A SPIRITUAL MANIFESTATION.—The *Englishman* publishes a translation of a characteristic and amusing letter from Deo Llama, of Bhootan, to "the Sahib accompanying troops." It begins by stating that the Deo Dhurma Raja is so content with his little kingdom that he has no desire to seize Chinese Tartary, China, and India. "The Queen and the Deb Dhurma Rajah are like sister and brother. Last year, when Mr. Eden came to me, I paid him such respect as was due to him, and introduced him to our Rajah, who settled the matter of captives with him. He, Mr. Eden, solemnly promised that he would never break the peace existing between us or fight with us, but in spite of this promise you fight, which I do not like." If we do not cease to fight the writer is to "send the force of the Deo of 82 gods, who are very fierce and ferocious ghosts. Of this force 7,000 stop at Chamoorchee, 5,000 at Doomna, 9,000 at Buxa, and 1,02,000 at Daling Dooar."

MAJOR MACDONALD, Inspector of Schools in Madras, has been appointed Registrar General of Insurances, and Mr. Fortey, another Inspector, has taken leave of absence. To fill both appointments Mr. H. Bowers has been appointed inspector, conditionally on passing an examination in Telugu. The educational departments in all the Presidencies, but especially in Bengal, find it difficult to secure competent men for the higher appointments. The pecuniary inducements are hardly sufficient, the necessity for knowing the vernacular is deterrent, and the certainty of succeeding to the directorships has been removed by the occasional appointment of incompetent outsiders.

RAJAH DINKUR RAO.—The Indore correspondent of *Native Opinion* states that Rajah Dinkur Rao has received from Scindia a Jaghire worth Rs. 40,000 a year for his services in the crisis of 1857-58. This comes rather late. It is a pity that the Maharajah's jealousy will not allow him to use Dinkur Rao as a constant and official adviser, except in cases of difficulty which have arisen owing to the neglect of his counsels.

THE FRENCH IN THE EAST.—The French have not yet given up their design of checking Perim from the Abyssinian coast. Last time they made use of an usurper, who was overthrown by the Emperor Theodorus. Now, M. Mouchi, *attaché* to the French consulate at Jeddah, has gone to Zila, on the Abyssinian coast, nominally to establish a factory, but really, the *Levant Herald* says, to make that a new basis for diplomatic intrigue.

CIVIL CHANGES.—Mr. H. D. Sandeman, Civil Paymaster of Fort William, has succeeded Mr. J. L. Lushington, of the Madras Civil Service in the office of Deputy-Auditor and Accountant-General of Bengal. Mr. Lushington takes the place of Mr. Birch, Accountant-General of Bombay.

THE GENERAL ANNUITY FUND, established in Calcutta last July, to give non-officials benefits similar to those of the uncovenanted pension funds, has published its first report. There are twenty-five subscribers, and honorary agencies are established in Akyab, Allahabad, Benares, and Lucknow.

THE NEW ADJUTANT-GENERAL.—The *Mofussilite* understands that Colonel Carmichael, C.B., of H.M.'s 94th, is to succeed Colonel Haythorne as Adjutant-General of the Indian Army. When commanding H.M.'s 106th, Colonel Carmichael was under Sir W. Mansfield.

LAND IN GOWHATTY.—The *Englishman* mentions that at the last waste land sale in Gowhatty two lots measuring 1,300 acres brought an average price of Rs. 8-12-10 per acre.

MR. G. G. BALFOUR, Civil and Sessions Judge of Chittagong, intends to resign the service, and retire on the annuity of his rank at the close of the present official year.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 7. *Caldew*, Clarkson, Sutherland; *Salvia*, Horlock, Hong Kong.—8. *Nubia*, Ledelins, Liverpool; *Eureka*, Hale, Bombay; *Louis Gaveaux*, Riboulet, Mauritius.—9. *Emperor*, Edem, Shanghai; *Bernicia*, Mebonas, Nantes.—10. *Ticonderoga*, Rice, Hong Kong; *Sirocco*, Roy, Sydney.—11. *Union*, Bertin, Bourbon.—12. *Reiver*, Bolton, Hong Kong; *Cambay*, Jonyhen, Liverpool; *Clydesdale*, Macgregor, Liverpool; *Koina*, Trott, Sunderland; *Weymouth*, Nouis, Shanghai; *Houghton*, Buckminster, Bombay; *Jeanie Douglas*, Dundson, Shanghai.—13. *Portland*, Peters, Shanghai; *Glenlora*, Edward, Liverpool; *Merle Blanc*, Feydt, Melbourne.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per *Koina*.—Dr. Stewart, M.D.
Per *Euphrates*.—Mr. Broyat, Mr. D. Mackinnon, Mr. A. Will, Lieut. col. and Mrs. Murray and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Leach, Mr. R. N. Lyons, Rev. J. J. Hall, wife, and family.
Per *Franc Mann*.—Miss Dederie Mane.
Per *Alfred*.—Left wing of H.M.'s 50th Regt., Capt. Burton, Maj. Whitehead, Capt. Hingston, Capt. Hesse, Capt. Storks, Lieut. McLaren, Lieut. Fringle, Lieut. Wilkinson, Lieut. Anderson, Lieut. Woodworth Miles, Ens. Dickinson, Ens. Harrison, Ens. Elliston, Surg. Carlaw, Surg. Bailey, Mrs. Hesse, Mrs. Bailey.
Per *Isles of the South*.—Mrs. Davidson.
Per *Royal Alfred*.—Mrs. Whiting and child.
Per *Louis Gaveaux*.—Mlle. Marie Françoise Jacques, M. J. Jacques.
Per *Sirocco*.—Mrs. Roy, Mrs. Stamp and two children, Mr. McKee, Dr. Young, Mr. O. Urd and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Wherret and five children, Mr. and Mrs. Cochran and two children.
Per *str. Simla*.—For *Ceylon*.—F. Ling, Mr. and Mrs. Walker and three children, the Rev. J. Alcock, Mr. H. Bais, Capt. Rutherford, Mr. H. C. Park, Mr. F. F. Green, Mr. and Mrs. Schweitzer, J. McPherson. For *MADRAS*.—Ensign Halkett, Mr. and Mrs. Lawford, Miss Loudon, Mr. H. L. Brett, Capt. Lateward, Mr. R. McKenzie, Staff Asst. surg. Kirkwood, Staff Asst. surgs. Hyde and Middleton, Lieut. col. Benson, Mr. T. H. Auchterlonie, Miss McGregor, M. P. Dewar, Mr. H. B. Grigg, Mr. and Mrs. Young and two children, Mr. Steel, Leslie Taylor, Capt. and Mrs. White. For *PENANG*.—J. Archbold. For *SINGAPORE*.—Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wood, Miss Crane, Mr. G. Crichton, Mr. J. Crum, Mr. Ballance, J. W. Broadhurst, Mr. Hyslop, Hyenzi. For *MADRAS*.—Asst. surg. Haydon, Capt. and Mrs. Kemmis, Miss Kensington, Mr. and Mrs. Coghlan. For *SHANGHAI*.—Mr. H. Elias, Mr. Carrutt. For *HONG KONG*.—Mr. W. H. Smith and two children, Mr. A. Dent, Mr. Harriett, Daniels, C. A. Spring, Mr. Ogilvy, Mr. J. Case, H. H. Nelson, Mr. B. McKintosh, J. Sloane, Mr. J. Calderson, J. Lockwood, Mr. Fraser, Henry Von Fabrici. For *CALCUTTA*.—Mr. E. Hut- ton, Capt. Griffin, Mr. G. Smyth, Mr. J. H. Tyler, Mrs. B. Smith, Mr. F. J. Mellard, H. Milne, R. Gammon, Com- mander Parker, G. Alexander, Miss Lenmonth, Miss Ben- nett Palmer, Miss Shipton, Mrs. Alcock and two children, Mr. H. Haworth, Capt. and Mrs. Vandeleur, Capt. C. E. Miles, Wilson, Ensign Acklom, Capt. Pearson, Mr. C. Upper- ton, C. Cruise, Mr. Sherman and son, Mr. and Mrs. Tatlock, Ensign Eskine, Mr. McDonald, Mr. F. D. D. Bullock, D. Battie, Mr. Rose, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Slack, Mr. F. S. Andrews, Staff Asst. surg. Mellard, Staff Asst. surg. Leslie, Staff Asst. surgs. Phillips and Hickson, Capt. Pirrie, Mr. D. White, W. Smith, C. D. Hasiner, Mr. J. L. Tait, Mr. H. Effe, A. Danzelle, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton, Mr. C. B. Harris, Col. B. F. Tytler, Mr. Yule, Roberts C. Warner, Mr. Henfrey, Major Boileau, Mrs. Coghlan, Mr. and Mrs. Preston, A. Woodward, H. Harlow, G. W. Stewart, Mr. Cammel, C. H. Garbett, Miss Ogilvy, W. Giovanni, the Rev. W. H. Crofton, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford, Mr. Belli, F. Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Schweitzer, Baron Emile D. G. Hykerboth, Dr. Smith, Messrs. Adam and Lyall, Mr. Gair, Col. Steel, Col. Bruce, R. B. Festeridge, F. D. McVie, Sir D. Wedderburn, W. Wedderburn, Mr. H. D. Anderson, Mr. Webster, Mr. Halford, Capt. and Mrs. Fortescue and infant, the Rev. C. H. A. Dall, Mrs. Kennedy and two children.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 6. *Sir Hugh Rose*, Sparden, Bombay; *Abergeldie*, Warden, Cochin; *Gross Vater*, Conrad, China.—7. *Orissa*, Templeton, Chittagong and Akyab; *Martaban*, Brown, Liver- pool; *Sooloo*, Hutchinson, Bombay; *Bayard*, Douglas, Lon- don; *City of Lahore*, Topping, London.—8. *Pleiades*, Motley, Colombo; *Siam*, Mohson, London; *Mirzapore*, Locke, Liver- pool; *Agincourt*, Baum, Hull.—10. *Nubia*, Woolcott, Suez; *Gange*, Bowdon, Bourbon; *Cyclops*, Cordiner, Liverpool; *Amy Warwick*, Harding, Singapore.—(Ports not named.)—15. *White Jacket*, Alarie, Continental, Earl Russell, St. Lawrence, str. Moulmein, Tuto John Allan, Indian Merchant, Success.—16. str. Feroze, Veteran, Chuncha, Baroda.—17. str. Bur- mah, Euphrates, Shannon, Clytemnestra, Hindostan, Jehau- geer.—18. str. Lady Jocelyn, Conflict, Shah Allum.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per *str. St. Lawrence*.—Col. and Mrs. Money and three children, Mrs. Col. Priestly and four children, Mr. J. Wyllie, Dr. and Mrs. Butt and child, Mrs. Barlow and three children, Mrs. Robotham and four children, Miss Elderton, Capt. and Mrs. Magrath and four children, Mrs. Cooke, Mrs. Eales and three children, two Master Coles, Maj. McNeil, Capt. Clark, Capt. Murphy, Capt. Gould, Lieut. Segrain, Dr. and Mrs. Hutchinson and four children.
Per *str. Lady Jocelyn*.—Mr. J. F. Curtis, wife, and three children, Capt. Cumberland and family, Mr. J. Lincoln, wife, and child, Mrs. Brown and three children, Mrs. Murray and two children, Mrs. D. Mackenzie and two children, Mrs. Cas- midy and child, Capt. Nicholson, wife, and four children, Mr. A. P. Simkins, wife, and infant, Mrs. Hart and child, Capt. Shelly, wife, and child, Kev. Dr. Butler, wife, and four chil- dren, Mr. Hamell and wife, Mrs. Behrends and two children, D. Wall, R.A., Mr. Hooper, Mrs. McLeod and children, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Acker.

VESSELS SPOKEN.

By *Fleur de Lis*.—Nov. 24, lat. 1-9 S., long. 83 E., ex- changed signals with *Trufalgar*, standing to the southward; lat. 1-31 N., long. 83 E., Dec. 25, exchanged signals with *Maria*

Hay, from London to Calcutta, 130 days out; lat. 8-40 N., long. 88-45 E., Jan. 2, exchanged signals with *Talavera*, from Calcutta; lat. 14-48 N., long. 88-50 E., Jan. 3, Malabar, from London to Calcutta, 105 days out. Jan. 6, again exchanged signals with *Maria Hay*, in lat. 19-12 N., long. 85-36 E. Jan. 8, lat. 26-06 N., long. 56-38 E., passed a large spar, apparently a ship's lower mast.

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MADRAS MUSSULMANS.—We are glad to see the Mussulman community engaged in any public act. Those of Madras have presented to the Hon. E. Maltby a really model farewell address. They regret that the *personnel* of our administration should be so fluctuating, and that when an official really learns to know the people he should be forced to leave them. At the same time they congratulate the retiring member of council and his family on being spared to return, as "it is impossible to expect one, and especially an Englishman, to ex- patriate himself from all that is dearest and sweetest in life." Mr. Maltby's brother, after doing good service as resident at Travancore, left India two years ago.

CIVIL ENGINEERING COLLEGE.—Lieut.-Col. Walker, R.E., has presented the sum of Rs. 4,000, bearing the annual interest of Rs. 200, to endow a scholarship at the Madras Civil Engineering College. Candidates who are not military men are eligible for the scholarship, if they pass the college vernacular test in Can- narese or Malayalam, in addition to the usual entrance examination. When more than one is eligible, the preference is to be given to a Protestant Christian, failing such candidate to a Roman Catholic, and finally to a Hindoo or Mussulman candidate.

INAUGURATION OF THE MEMORIAL HALL.—The Bishop of Madras presided at the inaugu- ration of the Memorial Hall on the 2nd Jan. The building was crowded to excess by the clergy and religious public of all denomina- tions. The Bishop explained the origin of the hall. "In the Madras Presidency there was no mutiny, and this hall is a memorial of that great fact. It stands, therefore, not as a glaring exhibition of cruel rebellion on the one hand and of triumphant might on the other, but as a conspicuous monument of the loyalty of the people of this Presidency, and of thankfulness on our part to Almighty God." The Bishop's address was suitable at once to the occasion and the beginning of a new year.

STORMS ON THE COROMANDEL COAST.—The Master Attendant of Masulipatam has submitted the following information to Go- vernment. It is taken from a book in his possession, belonging formerly to a very old resident of Masulipatam, and may prove in- teresting at the present time:—

1788 May	Gale on the Coast, Coringa inundated.
1792 do.	do. do.
1800 Oct.	do. Masulipatam do.
1811 May	do. Madras.
1817 Sept.	do. do.
1818 Oct.	do. do.
1819 April	do. do.
1827 May	do. do.
1832 do.	Coast Coringa do.
1836 do.	do. do.
1839 do.	do. do.
1843 May & Oct.	Masulipatam inundated.
1844 Dec.	do. Madras.
1846 May	do. do.

NAWABSHIP OF THE CARNATIC.—The advisers of the family who claim the extinct Nawabship of the Carnatic have obtained a guardedly favourable opinion from Dr. Travers Twiss. He does not think "That the East India Com- pany are bound explicitly by any article of the treaty to recognise the claimant as the successor to the estate of Azem ul Dowlah, as Nabob Soubadar of the Carnatic, "but they are im- plicitly bound to do so." Again, "apart from the obligations of the East India Company, under the treaty of 1801, to recognise the claimant as the successor to the rank and dig- nity of the Nabob Azem ul Dowlah, the

character of the status of the claimant and his family must be determined by the consue- tude prior and subsequent to 1801, and that consuetude is conclusively in favour of the status of the claimant and his family in refer- ence to the Nawabship of the Carnatic being hereditary." A less favourable opinion than this could not have been expected. When a litigant consults his paid lawyer, he expects more encouragement than this.

THE Madras Athenæum thus truly describes Madras as it strikes all visitors:—"A dirty insignificant place, with scarcely a single build- ing worth looking at." But now we are glad to hear a great deal has been effected in the way of improvements within the last six years. "A fine Park, a Memorial Hall, a splendid Hospital have sprung up, and what is perhaps of much more importance, the natives have begun to build for their own use a far better class of houses than they ever did before." Only a wise despotism, uninfluenced by the sham of a self-governing municipality, will make the three Presidency cities at all com- parable to what Akbar made Agra and Shah Jehan did for Delhi.

DEATHS IN MADRAS.—Government passed the following order on the 4th Jan., on a report on the causes of death in Madras for the year 1863. The year under review was, on the whole, tolerably healthy, and the mortality which prevailed during its first quarter alone prevented its forming a favourable contrast with the unhealthy seasons which have pre- ceded it. The later returns of the year show a decided decrease in the great epidemics, more than three-fourths of the whole deaths from cholera having occurred during the first quarter of the year. The seasonable and copious falls of rain in the third and fourth quarters had a remarkable influence on the cholera death-rate, which fell in the third quarter to 15, from 1,279 in the first quarter, and 257 in the second. Dr. Cornish con- sidered that the hot season is undoubtedly the most healthy, and the cold seasons of January and February the most unhealthy, but appears to be of opinion that neither wea- ther nor temperature is to be looked to as the cause of the prevalence of cholera or other epidemics. It would, however, seem clear from the report that a plentiful rain fall, and the prevalence of high winds, have a favourable influence on the public health, and the contrary state of weather, the reverse. The very im- portant question of the sanitary condition of the fort will be referred, through the military department, to the president of the sanitary commission.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BRETHREN DWELLING TOGETHER IN CHA- RITY.—Our Poonah contemporary reports a quarrel between two officials at Sholapore—the district judge and the station doctor—about seats in the church, in which these gentlemen displayed so much unnecessary ill- feeling that the station chaplain excommu- nicated them both. The judge appealed to Government against this sentence, and we have now learnt that an answer to the appli- cation has been received. The Governor in Council very properly refuses to interfere in a matter purely ecclesiastical, and declines to entertain Mr. Sandwith's complaint. The papers will, probably, soon be published.

OPENING OF THE THULL GHAT.—The official opening of the Thull Ghat on the 30th of December last is an event of great interest in the history of engineering enter- prise in India. Mountstuart Elphinstone pro- nounced it impossible to make a decent road over the Ghat, and even Lord Dalhousie was advised by the engineers of his day that the ghats must be avoided altogether, and the route by Rajpootana to Surat be adopted.

Now the genius of Berkley and the energy of the contractors, Messrs. Wythes and Jackson, have made a railway which is thus described by Mr. Graham, the contractors' manager. Taking "the Bore Ghaat with the Thull Ghaat, mile for mile, the latter displays an equal amount of science and engineering skill as the former. In the Bore Ghaat the gradient is 1 in 37 in a mile and a quarter; the same gradient extends in the Thull Ghaat in four and a half miles. In the first there are 26 tunnels and viaducts, the maximum height of the latter being 190 feet; in the Thull Ghaat there are thirty with a maximum height of 290 feet, 100 feet more than in the Bore Ghaat." It is a wonderful fact that the Eahgaum viaduct, consisting of a mass of materials weighing 700 tons and rising 180 feet, till the massive piers looked, when we saw them recently, like fairy pillars, was built with only one accident. Sir Bartle Frere, who opened the Ghaat, was accompanied by Sir W. Mansfield and Admiral King. The new incline will save five hours on the present journey from Calcutta to Bombay, but the unwillingness of Government to run special mail trains will probably keep the public from feeling the advantage of it in the more speedy transmission of letters.

THE TELEGRAPH FRAUDS.—A clue has been found to the origin of the telegraph frauds in Bombay, which were so serious that the Chamber of Commerce offered a reward of Rs. 5,000 for the discovery of the guilty parties. It appears from the *Bombay Gazette* that a dismissed signaller named Lawless has, in combination with certain opium brokers, been in the habit of inducing the mere boys, who work the line in the Colaba office, to abstract important commercial messages. The boys were well plied with wine and money in the brokers' houses, and were promised Rs. 50 a month with a share in the profits arising from "early news." A cipher was arranged which was to be made use of on all occasions; and servants employed to take the boys' meals into them were made use of to bring out the news. Some of these servants are in custody, and have confessed. The gang even went so far as to send a signaller of the Colaba office specially to Galle, and he is now in the Colombo office under an assumed name and in the brokers' pay. Two boys, Daniels and Maloney, are in custody, and the evidence is thought to be conclusive.

DEATH OF VENKAJEE RAO.—We notice in the *Poona Observer* the death of Venkajee Rao, son of the last Rajah of Sattara. This is the prince who as a boy was adopted by the last Rajah in 1848 just before his death, and whom Lord Dalhousie declined to recognise. So passes away the last representative of the great Sivajee.

TRAMWAY LINE FROM KHANGAUM TO SHEOGAUM.—While Sir Macdonald Stephenson's Indian Tramway Company has been forced by Sir C. Wood's unwillingness to grant liberal concessions to confine itself to a single line in the Madras Presidency, a tramway company established in Bombay proposes to lay a line from Khangaum to Sheogaum, the present terminus on the Nagpore branch of the G. I. P. Railway. Till the trunk lines are doubled and decently managed they need no feeders. They are already choked with traffic.

THE EXHIBITION.—Dr. Birdwood has resigned the Bombay Medical Service, and will take charge of the arrangements for the projected Exhibition. Government has conceded to the projectors the use for three years of eleven acres of the esplanade close to the G. I. P. Railway terminus, on condition of their depositing five lacs of rupees as a guarantee that the building will be erected. Sir Bartle Frere has agreed to request other countries to assist, and the erection of the building will begin in five or six weeks. Dr. Birdwood's resignation seems to have been followed by that of Dr. Sinclair, Professor in the Presidency College and Registrar of the University, who has be-

come Secretary of a financial association. Dr. Sinclair is an able scholar; but in Bombay men must live, and having accomplished what is impossible in so many official positions, they are soon seized with the mania of fortune-making.

A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.—There has been a serious fire, destructive of much property, in the business part of Bombay, at the corner of Church Gate-street and Rampart-row. At nine in the morning the fire broke out in a room used to store photographic chemicals by Messrs. McCombie and Sons. It spread to the adjoining offices and was finally subdued after raging three hours by the united efforts of the police, the men of the 4th Rifles and 21st N.I. and Marines from the Princess Royal. Compared with Calcutta, with its thick brick walls and heavy masonry roofs, Bombay is at present a city of wood in which fires ought to be as frequent as in Rangoon.

A NATIVE PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS.—A native, Mr. Keru Luxamon, has been transferred from the Poona to the Elphinstone College, to succeed Dr. Sinclair as Professor of Mathematics. This case, and that of Ramchunder of the Delhi College, illustrate the general belief, that of all European branches of study the Asiatic excels most in that which requires least creative power—mathematics.

RENTS AT POONA.—The Government of Bombay lately sold Dapoorie, the Governor's unhealthy residence at Poona, and are building a new house on a better site. Meanwhile, according to the local *Observer*, Sir Bartle Frere has rented at Rs. 6,000 a year Baron Larpet's house at Gunness Kindee, which Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy has just purchased for £12,000. High rents and costly living are not peculiar to Bombay; Poona, to which during the rainy season half Bombay rushes, is nearly as bad.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 12. Cannanore, Gachet, Bordeaux.—13. Proteus, Murphy, Liverpool.—14. Ocean Belle, Harrison, Moulmein; Curlew, Robson, Zanzibar.—15. str. Moulia, Bland, Calcutta; Omar Pasha, Jaffres, Calcutta; Duncin, Phillips, Ouge; Agra, Bell, Calcutta; Jeddo, Dundas, Suez.—16. Krishna, Platts, Calcutta; Douglas, Bathie, Rangoon; Anna Henderson, Dixon, Moulmein; William Kitson, Brought, Rangoon; Futeh Allum, Snow, Hong Kong.—17. Queen of the Seas, Peters, Liverpool; Wilhelm Kitchner, Dinklage, Rangoon.—18. Mozaffer, Lovenzen, Moulmein; Diamond, Lyng, Calcutta; Warrior Queen, Catnach, London.—19. Compeer, Black, Mauritius; Teazer, —, Calcutta; Esmeranza, —, Diu; Flor de Mar, —, Damaun.—20. Birkby, Purdy, Rangoon; India, Crawford, Moulmein; Shaw Allum, —, Calcutta; Moideen Bux, —, Calcutta; str. Arabia, Paterson, Calcutta; str. Ganges, Bernard, Hong Kong.—25. Natolia, Manley, Rangoon; str. Goolmar, Bullock, Rutnagherry; City of Peking, Reed, Glasgow; Princess Royal, Watson, Calcutta; Burman, Walker, Singapore; Minnesota, Laurick, Moulmein.—26. str. Peking, Blackmore, Bussorah; Eden Bates, Logan, Liverpool; Glenoeve, Brown, Galle; Vikery, Carbett, Hong Kong.—27. Drednought, Webster, Calcutta; Chanticleer, Poppleton, Calcutta; City of Manchester, Mathew, Glasgow.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Windsor Castle.—Lieut. R. White, H.M.'s 17th Lancers; Cornet H. Faulkner, Veterinary Surgeon; J. Lambert, Capt. W. R. Nolan, Capt. T. W. Miles, Lieut. W. L. Drummond, Royal Staff Corps; and 5 officers, 252 men, 10 women.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Jeddo.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie and infant, Mrs. Palin and infant, Mr. P. W. Sealey, Mrs. Underwood, Mr. Smeck, Miss Morse, Mr. Hobart, Miss Bowby, Mr. Dick, Col. and Mrs. Muter, Miss Marg. Kellic, Capt. Deacon, Messrs. Mailliet, Marval, Ball, Wilson, Symons, W. Read, R. Roscoe, W. Cahill, G. Read, W. Atkey, R. Fryer, J. Howard, B. High, W. Boost, E. Harward, G. Watkins, W. Buttsworth, and D. Cumner. From GIBRALTAR.—Dr. F. Magathias, From Malta.—Mr. Austey, From MARSEILLES.—Capt. Miles, Mrs. Coleclough and infant, Mr. G. Adams, Mr. F. Albert, Mr. H. Darling, Mr. H. Law, Lieut.-col. R. Cadell, Mr. Vining, Mr. Hubbert, Capt. Buckley, Major Cookworthy, Mr. Robinson, Mrs. and Miss Hunter, Dr. J. Yuill, the Rev. A. Van Heule, the Rev. M. Nuet, Mr. and Mrs. Bell and two infants, Miss Bell, Mr. Pendlebury, Mr. and Mrs. Ottman. From SEZ.—Bajeer Khan, Mr. John Grinberg, Mr. and Mrs. Kersting, Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs, Mr. Betzold, Mr. Coomaraswamy. From Aden.—Omer bin Mahomed bin Inckey, Kharsal Hurchund, E. Dabbaby.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 12. Jeddah, Porter, Liverpool; Fattay Moombaruck, Nacoda, Hoodooda and Judda.—14. Rowantree, Lewis, Liverpool; Windsor Castle, Pryce, London; str. Belair, White, Galle, Singapore, &c.; str. Rangoon, Coleman, Suez; Ophir, Miles, Malabar Coast.—16. Indomitable, Poyntz, Calcutta and Mauritius.—17. Salem, Robertson, Moulmein; Agamem-

non, Mardon, London.—18. str. Governor Higginson, Grey, Suez; John Lidgett, Robertson, Calcutta.—19. Lalla Rooke, Earl, Calcutta; Faize Allum, Straford, Bussorah.—20. str. Mula, Bland, Calcutta; str. Penguin, Garforth, Zanzibar; Lloyds, Harris, Moulmein.—21. Bella Maria, Irvine, Liverpool; Wurtemberg, Chase, Rangoon.—23. Dholera, Rarkie, Liverpool; Canada Bell, Henderson, Rangoon.—25. Star of India, Holloway, London.—29. Mail str. Salsette, —, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. Salsette.—For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Sheppard and two infants, Mr. Dunsterville, Mr. F. C. Lewis, Miss Maule, Mrs. D. E. Owen and infant, Mr. Winterbottom, Mr. William Sexton, Capt. O'Neil, Mr. Hockin, Mr. S. Hornby, Mr. Stephen Harland, Mr. Thomas Kemp, Mervanjee Cursetjee, Lieut. Hall, Mr. W. Brown, Mr. Charles Tighe, Mr. Wardrop, Mrs. Brooks and child. For MARSEILLES.—Mr. Clement Dheggatt, Rev. J. D. Gibson, Mr. B. J. Fisher, Capt. Iredell, Mr. and Mrs. John Leck, Mr. Thomas Miller, Capt. O'Kelly, Mr. Vibart, Mr. and Mrs. C. Cohen. For SEZ.—Mr. and Mrs. Everard Pryce, Rev. and Mrs. A. Finck and child, Mr. and Mrs. Mills. For MALTA.—Capt. Thoyts, lady, and infant, Mrs. Holt, child, and sister, Mr. T. W. Payne.

VESSELS SPOKEN.

Per ship Natolia.—On Jan. 17 exchanged signal with the British ship Glendevon, from Auckland bound to Bombay, in lat. 12-55 N., long 74-22 E.; on Jan. 21, spoke the British ship City of Peking, from Glasgow, bound to Bombay, in lat. 16-42 N., long. 73-15 E.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, Jan. 27, 1865.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks—at	
6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s. 1-16d.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 1 5-16d. Cred. Bills.	136 do.
6 ditto ditto 2s. 1 7-16d. Docts.	
On Calcutta, at sight, per 100	100½
Ditto at 30 days' ditto	99½
Ditto at 60 days' ditto	98½
On Madras, at 30 days' ditto	100½
On China, at 60 days' ditto	Rs. 223 per 100 dols.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES

Agra Bank (Rs. 500)	185 pr. cent. pm.
Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000)	115 do.
Bank of India (Rs. 25)	50 pm.
Broker's Banking Co. (Rs. 20)	13 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 250)	50 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200)	140 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500)	115 do.
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200)	100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 20)	83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 250)	190 do. inc. n. sh.
Oriental Bank Corporation (Rs. 250)	185 pm.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25)	12 do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000)	146 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000)	par
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 2,700)	Rs. 6,000 p. sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667)	Rs. 14,500 p. sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co.—	
(A) share (Rs. 6,000)	} Rs. 1,35,000 pm.
(B) share (Rs. 6,000)	
Frederic Press Co. (Rs. 250)	Rs. 48,500 pm.
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,200)	10 prem.
Great Indian Peninsular Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 218-3-0)	Rs. 6 prem.
Ditto, New £20 Shares (Rs. 87-4-4)	par.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 300 prem.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 150 pre
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company (Rs. 1,100)	Rs. 75 prem.
Manockjee Potty's Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 850)	Rs. 4,000
House and Land Investment Co. (Rs. 200)	Rs. 200 dia.
Bombay Shipping Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 25 pm.
Iron Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 400 dia.
Oriental Ship Owning Association (Rs. 250)	Rs. 3,000 p. sh.
Prince of Wales Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 400 prem.
Western India Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 850 prem.
Hydraulic Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 2,500 prem.
Oriental Weaving and Spinning Company (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 700 prem.
Royal Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 400 prem.
Victoria Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 90,000 pr. sh.
Coorla Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	
Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 2,500)	
Colaba Land Co. (Rs. 10,000)	

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Four per Cent. Secra Rs. Trans. Loan	Rs. 95
" " Secra Rs. Loan 1832-33	" 95
" " Co's Rs. Loan 1835-36	" 90½
" " " " 1842-43	" 1854-55
Five per Cent. Co.'s Rs. Loan	" 102½
Five-and-a-Half per Cent.	" 109

PRICE OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns	each, Rs. 10-3
Bank of England Notes	" 10
Spanish Dollars	" 210
Carolus Dollars	" 290
Mexican Dollars	" 225
Five Franc Pieces, Rs. 232 tolas	" 208
German Crowns	" 214½
Bar Silver, 17 and 17½ dwt. better, per 100 tolas	" 106-10
Sycee Silver	" 105
Gold Leaf 99½ touch	" 16-12
Gold Bars, English	" 16-10
Ditto, Peking	" 16-8

FREIGHTS.

To London—Cotton and Wool, £2. 10s. to £2. 12s. 6d.	
Seeds, £1. 15s. to £1. 17s. 6d.	
To Liverpool—Cotton and Wool, £2. 5s. to £2. 6s.; Seeds, £1. 5s. to £1. 7s.	

Truth—will prevail in the long run. If nothing more than a verbal profession of faith is required, it is very likely that preaching may produce the greatest number of converts in a given time. But if it is intended to impart to the Natives of India something more pure and excellent than the superstition of a Calabrian peasant, it is rather by teaching than by preaching that any lasting success can be hoped to be attained.

POPULATION OF BOMBAY.

IN the interests of sanitary science it is fortunate that it is no longer deemed a sin of presumption to number the people. Not even the Evangelical Alliance would think of hurling an anathema against the Census Commissioners, or of menacing the humbler enumerators with the wrath of offended Heaven. It is now only the ignorant and superstitious who object to make a truthful return of the members of their household, with the ages, occupation, and religious belief of each individual. In England, at least, this silly repugnance to furnish reliable data to the Government is gradually disappearing, but it still prevails in the Eastern possessions of the British Crown. It has, therefore, been a task of no ordinary difficulty to arrive at a tolerably correct estimate of the multiform population of the island of Bombay, notwithstanding the great pains that were taken to explain the real motives of the Government, and to disabuse the minds of the natives of the fixed impression that a capitation-tax was in contemplation. Perfect accuracy was not to be expected, but it is believed that the returns obtained on the 2nd of February, 1864, contain much fewer errors than might have been anticipated, and indeed, err only in this respect—that the total exhibited is somewhat below that which actually exists. Two hundred years had then elapsed since the island of Bombay was ceded by the Portuguese Government to Great Britain as part of the dowry of the Infanta Catherine. At that time the population was computed at 10,000 individuals, of whom the larger portion dwelt at Mahim. Fifteen years later their number had increased sixfold, "most of them fugitives and vagabonds." The town is described as being then "a full mile in length, the houses low, and thatched with *oleas* of the cocoa trees, all but a few the Portuguese left, and some few the Company have built; the custom-house and warehouses are tiled or plastered, and instead of glass use panes of oyster-shells for their windows." It is probable that what Fryer mistook for the nacre of oyster-shells was nothing but talc. That, however, is a matter of little importance, and it is more to the point to state that by 1815 the

population exceeded a quarter of a million, of whom 11,000 were located in the Fort. According to this return, there were 4,300 Europeans, military, marine, and civilians, 12,300 native Christians and Jews, 28,000 Mussulmans, 103,800 Hindoos, and 13,150 Parsees. Of the grand total, nearly one-fourth, or 60,000 persons were accounted as birds of passage, or merely temporary residents. The number of houses was set down as 20,786. Several attempts were subsequently made to obtain a correct census of the inhabitants of the island, but with very indifferent success. At length Sir Bartle Frere called together the native justices of the peace, and having explained to them "how the knowledge of the people that is sought for in a census conduces to good government, and to sanitary and social improvement," invited their co-operation and support. His Excellency's appeal was responded to with intelligence and cordiality, and a Parsee gentleman, Mr. Dosabhoj Framjee Kuraka, circulated at his own expense 2,000 copies of a pamphlet, in which the nature and objects of a census were clearly set forth. The night of the 1st and the early morning of the 2nd of February, 1864, were fixed upon for the date of enumeration, and 843 enumerators, with 148 superintendents of districts, were engaged to execute the delicate operation. Of these, 331 wrote in English, 147 in Guzrati, 423 in Marathi, and 20 in Hindustani, besides the 70 enumerators employed in the harbour. There was thus one enumerator for every 968 individuals, with respect to whom there were seven points to be ascertained, and the difficulty of obtaining reliable information was enhanced by the fact that in some instances as many as thirty, forty, and even fifty families resided beneath the same roof.

The total population of the island of Bombay was discovered to be 816,562, of whom 530,450 were males and 286,112 females—the proportion of the former to the latter being as 185·4 to 100. This enormous disparity between the sexes is partly attributed to the harbour population being included, which consisted of 32,582 males with only 55 females. But even after allowing for this the ratio would still be 174 to 100. The difference in numbers was greatest among the Europeans, owing to the preponderance of sailors and soldiers. Next to these came the Chinese, while among the Parsees the proportion was as 133 to 100, and among the Jews as 112 to 100. Under one month the males were as 95 to 100, from one month to two years as 101·4, from two to fourteen as 131·7, and from fourteen to forty-four as 221. Under the age of two years there were 17,644 persons, and between two and fourteen 155,328, or 172,972 under the age of puberty. Between fourteen and forty

four there were 526,523 souls, and above that age 117,067. The proportion of children under two years old to females between fourteen and forty-five is much greater than in European countries, but this chiefly arises from the number of women who repair to Bombay in search of employment, and who seldom bring infants with them, nor do they themselves travel when in a pregnant state. Thus it happens that among the migratory Hindoos the ratio of little children to females of the procreative period of life was 9·8 to 100, while among the more settled Jews, Parsees, and Indo-Europeans it was nearly 16. Taking the entire population the proportion was as 10·7 to 100, whereas in Great Britain it was as high as 40, though in 1841 it was no more than 22½. Classing the inhabitants of Bombay under their respective castes or races it was found that there were 8,021 Buddhists, 30,604 Brahmins, 1,598 Lingaets, 21,771 Bhatias, making a total of 61,994 persons who refrain from eating flesh. Besides these there were 491,540 Hindoos of the Shenvee, Koonbee, Panchkulsee, Sonar, and other castes who do not object to eat animal food, and 32,434 Untej or outcaste Hindoos, who will eat anything that comes in their way. Of Asiatic Mussulmans there were 145,880; of Negro Africans, also believers in the Arabian Prophet, 2,074; of Parsees, 49,201; of Jews, 2,872; of Native Christians, 19,903; of Indo-Europeans, 1,891; of Europeans, 8,415; and of Chinese, 8,415. There was thus one European to every hundred of the mixed population, a proportion that may be taken as the relative standard of British and Native energy—leaving the Jews and Parsees out of the question. As the surface of the united islands is reckoned at 18·62 square miles, there would be one square mile to every 42,104 of the land population, or one acre to every 65·8 persons, were the population equally distributed over the entire area; but a considerable space is described as being not only unoccupied by buildings, but laid out in salt pans or lying waste. So densely, indeed, are the inhabitants packed together, that if even the whole surface of the island were equally portioned out, each individual would have no more than 73½ square yards to himself, while in London each individual has 114½ square yards. In the Native Town the average space to each inhabitant is only 6½ square yards—the maximum area being 9½, and the minimum 5 2-5ths—this minimum, moreover, falling to the lot of 135,661 native inhabitants.

The inhabited houses, exclusive of barracks, gaols, hospitals, reformatories, orphanages, &c., amounted to 24,206, of which 6,676 were thatched huts in the rural and suburban sections. The streets vary from 6 to 49 feet in width, giving a

mean width of 26½ feet. The average of families to each house was 3·97, or 30·6 persons to each house, including the out-houses inhabited by servants. Of occupations furnishing a livelihood there were 77 varieties, classed under 14 divisions. The first included bakers, butchers, cooks, confectioners, fishermen, grain-dealers, grain-parchers, gardeners and green-grocers, grocers, poulterers, purveyors, salt manufacturers and vendors, tavern and hotel keepers, and water-carriers; forming 100·5 in every 1,000 of the population. The second comprised clothiers, cotton-work retailers, dyers, leather-workers, silk workers and dealers, tailors, weavers, washermen, and woolwork dealers; in all 91·2 in every 1,000. In the third were the domestic servants and sweepers, making 66·8. In the fourth we find brick and tile makers, masons, painters, palmleaf workers, plumbers, and umbrella dealers; giving 40·2 to the 1,000. Under the fifth head come the charcoal-dealers, crockery and glass dealers, copper-smiths, oil-dealers, and tin smiths; or 18·5 to 1,000. The sixth class consisted of bracelet-dealers, goldsmiths and jewelers, hooka pipe dealers, liquor sellers, musicians, photographers, prostitutes, tobacco, betel, and opium dealers, toy-makers and dealers, and watch-makers; or a proportion of 60·6. To the seventh belong the druggist, leechmen, and medical men, or 11·9, and to the eighth, the priests, printers and booksellers, and school-masters and teachers, or 18·2 per 1,000. A ratio of 56·7 was furnished by the auctioneers, hawkers, merchants and bankers, moneychangers and assayers; while the tenth class were 31 in the thousand, and consisted of lawyers and the covenanted servants of the Government, military men, policemen, and watchmen. Under the eleventh head were ranged bullock, engine, and horse drivers, seafaring men, marine storedealers, porters and palkee bearers; making 105 per 1,000. The twelfth division contained contractors, civil engineers, gunpowder dealers, hemp and coir workers, iron workers, pitch and tar dealers, workers and dealers in wood, writers and accountants; in all 113. The thirteenth class was devoted to unskilled labour, amounting to 234 per 1,000; and the fourteenth to annuitants and beggars, or 52·2 in the thousand. Of the 76 actual occupations above detailed there were only 18 in which Brahmans were not personally engaged, and of these, five were the pursuits of the civil engineer, the photographer, the grain-parcher, the dyer, and the umbrella dealer. It is worthy of note that the 30,604 Brahmans of Bombay embraced in their number 10,370 beggars and paupers, 5,973 writers and accountants, 2,616 priests, 720 school-masters and teachers, 1,728 merchants and bankers, and 1,795 domestic servants. The

employments they refuse are those relating to the supply of animal food, working in leather, basket making, scavenging, and cloths-washing. It may also be noted that the occupation of breeding leeches is followed only by Mussulmans and outcaste Hindoos. The Mussulmans, indeed, try their hand at everything. There is nothing in which they do not engage with greater or less success. The Negro-Africans, again, were mostly seafaring men, while among the Parsees there was not a single beggar, and the same may be said of the Jews. Of the entire population of Bombay only 174,039 were born in the island, showing the extent of the tide of immigration. There are no very reliable data as to the number of insane persons in the island, but the dumb were reckoned at 96, or 1 in every 8,505, against 1 in every 1,334 in Great Britain. The blind were stated to be 543, or one in 1,503, against 1 in 996 in the United Kingdom, while the blind were set down as 475. And thus in the course of two centuries this opulent city of 816,000 inhabitants has gradually grown out of the little Portuguese town of 10,000 traders and fishermen.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 15.

A petition was presented by Colonel SYKES, from Capt. and Brevet Major Bowen, stating that the evidence laid before the Royal Commissioners on Grievances was incomplete; that the brevet rank conceded has not removed the injuries complained of; that the widows of the officers of the Staff Corps and Local are not in the same position with respect to pension; that his contributions to his regimental fund are lost to him, and praying for redress.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 16.

Petitions from officers of the Indian army complaining of professional injuries consequent on regulations authorized by the Secretary of State for India were presented by Mr. CRAWFORD, from Lieut.-col. D. Dodgson, of the 30th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; by Lord A. CHURCHILL, from Lieut. Jamieson, 22nd Regiment Madras Native Infantry, from Lieut.-col. H. E. S. Abbott, of the Bengal Infantry, and from Lieut.-col. Kelso, of the 3rd Regiment Madras Cavalry; and by Col. SYKES, from Major J. R. Auldjo, of the late 36th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, from Col. Charles Prior, of the Bengal Army, and from Capt. H. Phillips, 41st Madras Native Infantry.

BRITISH SUBJECTS IN CHINA.

Colonel SYKES wished to ask whether the order in Council of the 1st of March, 1864, had been enforced, and all British subjects withdrawn from the service of the Emperor of China and that of provincial mandarins.

Mr. LAYARD said that the Government had no power to withdraw from the service of the Emperor of China any person who might be in that service. Those who were in the service of her Majesty had been withdrawn, and other British subjects would remain in the service of the Emperor of China at their own peril.

KIRWEE PRIZE-MONEY.

Sir C. WOOD (in answer to Mr. MILLER) said that the distribution of the Kirwee Prize-

money would depend upon the decision of the Admiralty Court, but when that decision would be arrived at he could not tell.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 17.

Petitions from officers in the Indian army, complaining of grievances arising from the recent orders of the Secretary of State for India, were presented, by Colonel SYKES, from Captain Richard Jenkins, of the 5th Regiment Bengal European Cavalry, and from Lieutenant Charles Bushby, of the 11th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry; by Mr. BAZLEY, from Major A. Pritchard, 28th Regiment Madras Infantry; from Lieutenant-Colonel William Taylor Money, 31st Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and from Lieutenant-Colonel A. N. Lynch, 19th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Sir JOHN HAY, from Lieutenant and Brevet-Captain Robert Durie, of the late 64th Native Infantry; and from Lieutenant and Brevet-Captain Edward O'Brien Horsford, of the late 46th Bengal Native Infantry; by Mr. Baines, from Major H. L. Robertson and Lieutenant-Colonel Hawthorne; by Mr. H. FENWICK, from Captain John Chadwick Dickson, and from Lieutenant Thomas Henville Pearson; by Mr. TORRENS, from Lieutenant N. Alexander, of the 22nd Madras Native Infantry, and from Lieutenant-Colonel Robert Andrew Smith; by Captain JERVIS, from Lieutenant Sale Hill, 1st Goorkha Light Infantry; from Captain Hale, late 57th Madras Native Infantry; from Sir Charles Oakley, late 5th Bengal European Cavalry; from Colonel W. T. Nuthall, late 3rd Bengal Native Infantry, and from Lieutenant Tyler, 20th Bengal Native Infantry; by Mr. KEKEWICH, from Captain Sweet, of the Indian Army at Madras.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 20.

Petitions for redress of grievances occasioned by the amalgamation of the Royal and Indian armies were presented, by Lord STANLEY, from Lieutenant White; by Mr. VANSITTART, from Lieutenant-Colonel E. P. Lynch, of the 18th Regiment Bombay Infantry; Major Charles Baugh, of the 9th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry; and from Captain Robert Burd, of the 10th Regiment Bombay Infantry; by Lord A. CHURCHILL, from Captain Sidney Cousens, of the 13th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, and Captain Henry P. Close, of the late 31st Regiment Bombay Infantry; by Mr. H. BAILLIE, from Colonel Snow, of the Bengal Cavalry; Major Bradford, 23rd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, and Captain Armstrong, of the 4th Regiment Bengal Europeans; by Colonel SYKES, from Major H. E. Jacob, 18th Regiment Bombay Infantry; Brevet-Captain Fellows, of the 5th Regiment Bombay Infantry, and Lieutenant H. W. Harris, of the 10th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry; by Mr. ADAM, from Lieutenant-Colonel W. C. Gott, of the Bengal Infantry, and from Captain and Brevet-Major Cuppage, of the late 15th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; and by Mr. SMOLLETT, from Colonel George T. Italy, late Lieutenant-Colonel 108th Foot.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 21.

Petitions praying for the redress of grievances occasioned by the amalgamation of the Royal and Indian armies were presented, by Mr. FERRAND, from Lieutenant Mainwaring Russell, of her Majesty's Indian army, Madras Presidency; by Colonel SYKES, from Captain and Brevet-Major H. Finch, 2nd (late 31st) Native Infantry, Bengal Presidency; Captain Barras, 15th Bombay, and Lieutenant J. P. Forbes, 3rd Bombay Native Infantry; Captain and Brevet-Major J. E. L. Williams, late 10th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; and Captain and Brevet-Major C. Need, late 6th Bengal European Regiment.

DEATH OF FIELD-MARSHAL VISCOUNT COMBERMERE.

We have to announce the death at Clifton, on the 21st inst., of Field-Marshal Viscount and Baron Combermere, of Combermere, G.C.B., G.C.H., K.S.I., Constable of the Tower of London. The deceased, Stapleton Stapleton Cotton, son of Sir Robert Salisbury Cotton, M.P. for the county of Chester, was born at Llewenny-hall, in Denbighshire, in 1769, and educated at Westminster School. On the 26th of February, 1790, he entered the army. He first served as lieutenant in the 23rd Welsh Fusiliers. He was afterwards promoted into the Dragoon Guards, in which he served in Flanders under the Duke of York. He attained the rank of captain on the 28th of February, 1793, and that of major in March, 1794. He was appointed lieutenant-colonel of the 25th Light Dragoons in the same month. He had in 1796 the command of that regiment at the Cape of Good Hope. There he served in a short but active campaign under Sir Thomas Craig, after which he proceeded with his regiment to India. He then served in 1798 and 1799 against Tippoo Sultan. He was engaged in the battle of Mallasvelly and in the siege of Seringapatam. In 1808 he returned to England, and after commanding for a time the 16th Dragoons in Ireland, and serving on the staff in England, he proceeded in 1808 to the Peninsula in command of a brigade of cavalry. At the head of this corps he distinguished himself during the campaign in the north of Portugal, including the operations at Oporto and the battle of Talavera. In 1809 the local rank of lieutenant-general was conferred upon him, and early in 1810 he was appointed to the command of the whole allied cavalry under the Duke of Wellington. He remained in that position until the termination of the war in 1814, and distinguished himself at the head of that force in covering the retreat from Almeida to Torres Vedras, at Busaco, Villa Garcia, Castrajon, Fuentes-d'Onor, and Salamanca. In the last mentioned battle he was severely wounded. He also served at El Bodon, the Pyrenees, Orthes, and Toulouse. On his return to England after the battles of Talavera and Salamanca he received the unanimous thanks of both Houses of Parliament, in conjunction with the Duke of Wellington, and in consequence of his brilliant services he was elevated to the peerage on the 17th May, 1814, as Baron Combermere. In 1817 he was appointed Governor of Barbadoes, and Commander of the Forces in the West Indies. He was appointed Commander-in-Chief in India, in 1822, and it was while he held that position that he won fresh distinction by the capture of Bhurtpore. On the 27th May, 1825, he attained the rank of General. In the following year he was advanced to the dignity of Viscount for his services in India. He was appointed to the Coloncy of the 1st Life Guards on the 16th September, 1829, which he continued to hold at the time of his death. He was made a Field-Marshal on the 2nd of October, 1855.

Viscount Combermere married, in 1801, Lady Anna Maria Pelham-Clinton, the eldest daughter of the third Duke of Newcastle, who died in 1807, and by whom he had no surviving issue. He married secondly, on the 18th of June, 1814, Caroline, the second daughter of Mr. W. Fulke-Greville. She died on the 25th of January, 1837, leaving three children. One of them, Caroline, married the present Marquis of Downshire. The deceased married thirdly on the 2nd of October, 1838, the only child of Mr. Robert Gibbins, of Cork, a lady of an ancient Irish family.

The heir of Lord Combermere is his son by the second marriage, the Hon. Wellington Henry Cotton, who was born at Barbadoes in 1818, and who sat for Carrickfergus from 1847 to 1857.

Among the military distinctions which Lord

Combermere had received were a medal for Seringapatam, the gold cross and one clasp for Talavera, Fuentes-d'Onor, Salamanca, Orthes, and Toulouse, the silver war medal, with three clasps, for Busaco, Ciudad Rodrigo, and the Pyrenees, the Grand Cross of the Tower and Sword of Portugal, and of Charles III. and St. Ferdinand of Spain, and, lastly, the Order of the Star of India.—*Times*.

GEOGRAPHY OF INDIA.

On Tuesday, the 14th inst., Lord William Hay delivered a most interesting and instructive lecture on the subject of modern maps, and especially those of India, at the lecture-room of the Highgate Literary Institution. Lord and Lady Dufferin and a number of the gentlemen and ladies of the neighbourhood were present on the occasion. The text of his lordship's lecture was that, having to consult a map of India at his club the other day, he, to his astonishment, found it to be Arrowsmith's old chart of 1801, and it was the changes which he then could trace during the progress of the last sixty years, and the general and great improvement which had taken place in the science of geography in that long period which had suggested his lecture. After briefly pointing out the difficulties of map making, and bring the whole subject easily within the scope of his audience by familiar illustrations of the triangulated method of survey, his lordship went on to point out the radical differences between the itineraries of travellers and the perfectly organised surveys of Governments, such especially as those of Switzerland, and Austria and Germany, which had produced some of the most faultless maps in the world. The great survey of France, begun by the First Napoleon, had hardly been completed yet, and one angle, about the correctness of which there had been much doubt, had been measured nearly a thousand times before its perfect accuracy had been demonstrated. The changes which the maps of India of 1801 and 1861 displayed were most suggestive. The old map marked out whole provinces,—whole countries, in fact, which then owned the sway of native rulers, but which were now almost central portions of the Queen's great Indian Empire. Mountain chains had been correctly laid down, rivers which had sprawled in erratic and devious courses on the old maps through countries which never heard their name had been reclaimed by the science of geography into their proper channels, and there was now no important part of India the general geographical configuration of which was not almost as well known to its rulers as England and Scotland were known here. Such material additions to the stock of knowledge of Indian officials was of immense practical benefit to them in their dealings with the people, and even in the local government which was adopted for their welfare. His lordship defended what he called the much-abused policy of annexation, and most especially that portion of it which had in a manner forced on us the annexation of the Punjab. Altogether, since Arrowsmith's old map of 1801 was published the English had annexed nearly 800,000 square miles of territory, and none, he thought, who now looked at the map of India would doubt about not only the expediency, but the political necessity of those annexations. During the same period the conquests of Russia on the north-west and north-east frontiers of India had amounted to nearly, if not quite, a million of square miles, and Russia from the Volga could now, if she were inclined, send down a river force which in a short time would menace the very existence of Persia. Russian progress, and Russian ambition in India were formerly great bugbears, and were really not groundless alarms during the reign of the late formidable Emperor Nicholas. Under its present ruler Alexander, however, the whole scope and purpose of Muscovite policy seemed changed, and all the efforts of

its Emperor were now, with the most laudable steadfastness of purpose, directed to the social and legislative improvement of his people—to the liberation of the serfs, the liberation of trade and commerce, and the development of the really enormous internal resources of so vast an empire. Under an Emperor so wise and liberal he did not think there was much to fear from the effects of a hostile Russian ambition in India; and even if there was more cause for suspicion there was nothing like leaving the trap open to catch the mice, for if Russia attempted such a desperate risk as an armed invasion of India, they might enter the trap through the mountain passes on which they abutted, but few, if any, would ever return to tell of their ill success. The loss of an entire army in Khiva had checked Russian ambition in this direction as much as the loss of an army in Cabul had checked ours. Russia was now more occupied in winning the commercial success which could be gained by diplomacy rather than by the sword, in utilising the highway of water communication which she had in the Amoor river, and in looking out for commercial advantages in the recently-opened country of Japan. Their late occupation of Kokan had been as much forced on them by the misconduct of its people as our own recent occupation of the lowlands of Bhotan. His Lordship concluded a long and most instructive lecture on Indian geography by regretting his inability to dispose of the whole subject in a single evening, and promising, amid loud applause, to seek an early opportunity of continuing the discourse. A cordial vote of thanks was given to his Lordship for his lecture.—*Times*.

DIVORCE COURT.—FEB. 16.

BOISRAGON V. BOISRAGON AND MOORE.

Dr. Spinks appeared for the petitioner.

Captain Boiragon, of the 30th Regiment of Punjab Native Infantry, prayed for a dissolution of his marriage on the ground of his wife's adultery with Mr. Charles William Moore, of the Bengal Civil Service. The marriage was in 1854; the cohabitation was in India, and there was one child. In the early part of 1864 they were living at Benares and they were on intimate terms with Mr. Moore, who was a widower, and frequently visited them. In March, 1864, Mrs. Boiragon eloped with Mr. Moore, and has since lived with him. Her cousin, Lieutenant Erskine, followed them to Mirzapore and gave Mr. Moore a beating with a riding whip.—*Decree nisi* with costs against the co-respondent.

CALCUTTA AND SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.

A special meeting of this company was held on Feb. 16, at Gresham-house; Mr. Borradaile in the chair.

The Chairman explained that it had been necessary to convene that meeting in consequence of the debentures for the raising of £100,000 at 5 per cent. interest, sanctioned at previous special meetings, not having been taken up within the time allowed by the resolutions. He now moved that the directors be authorised to insert clauses in any debentures to be issued under the authority of the resolutions, to enable the holders to convert those debentures into shares or stock of the company at any time before they became due, except during the last six months of the time for which such debentures have been issued, on giving previously one calendar month's notice of their intention to do so, and authorising the directors from time to time to create such additional shares or stock of the company, not exceeding £100,000, as may from time to time be necessary to carry the foregoing resolution into effect.

Mr. Marshman seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mr. Hartridge asked the chairman for information respecting Canningtown.

The Chairman said the town was now progressing very fast, and this progress had received an impetus through the cyclone which visited Calcutta, for those visitations were felt less at Canningtown than they were at Calcutta, as the force of the waves was lost before they reached the Mutlah. The increase in importance of this town would benefit the company's property.

A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the proceedings.

MISCELLANEOUS.

AGRA AND MASTERMAN'S BANK.—The directors of the Agra and Masterman's Bank have declared a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum for the half-year ended the 31st of December, with a bonus of £3 per share, together equal to 22 per cent. per annum, making, with the previous distribution 20 per cent. for the year 1864, at which rate a dividend and bonus on the new shares will be paid.

CHINA STEAMSHIP AND LABUAN COAL COMPANY.—An amended prospectus has been issued of the China Steamship and Labuan Coal Company, increasing the nominal capital to £540,000, by an addition of 3,000 shares of £20 each, but reducing the amount to be paid up from £5 to £4.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

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DEPARTURES.

Feb. 16. Mayflower, Calcutta.—17. Evangeline, Calcutta.—19. City of Ningpo, Calcutta; Richard Ryland, Bombay.—20. Edwin, Kurrachee.

CASUALTIES.

Singapore, Jan. 7.—The *Eugenie*, hence for Penang, has been wrecked on Free Island; the officers and crew are said to be saved.
Calcutta, Jan. 28.—The *City of Benares*, burning, has been scuttled.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per French str. Peluse, Feb. 19.—From Marseilles.—Mr. Smith, Galle; Mr. E. Cameron, Hong Kong; Mr. Anderson, Calcutta; Mr. H. F. Collingwood, Singapore; Mr. G. Vane, Galle; Miss Wall, Galle; Mr. Jones, Madras; Mr. F. Harvey, Shanghai; Mr. A. Hough, Calcutta; Mr. W. Koenig, Hong Kong; Mr. A. Johnstone, Singapore; Major Smith, Calcutta.

Per Poona, Feb. 20.—From Marseilles to Bombay.—Capt. Marcet, Miss Prescott, Mrs. R. Pinhey, Capt. J. W. Fitzmaurice, Messrs. A. Brown, A. Mitchell, Crawford and son, Macartney, F. A. Welte, Mrs. Dryman, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Beadle, Lieut. E. Pettinger, Capt. and Mrs. Stevens, Mr. J. R. Grimes, Capt. J. H. Castell, Messrs. E. Bigg and Lind. For Alexandria.—Mr. Manby, Mr. and Mrs. Thurburn. For Malta.—Mr. Wheeler.

Per Overland Route, Feb. 20.—For Calcutta.—Mrs. Conolly, Mrs. Farquhar and infant. For Hong Kong from Marseilles.—Mr. and Mrs. Trautmann, Mr. A. Milsom. For Alexandria.—Mrs. and Miss Hobson.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

AMES—The wife of C. H. Ames, Esq., late Madras C.S., of a daughter, at 7, Pulteney-street, Bath, Feb. 19.

BRADLEY—The wife of W. H. Bradley, Esq., Dept. Inspector general of Hospitals, Retired List, Bombay Army, of a daughter, at Spa, Belgium, Feb. 12.

DAVIDSON—The wife of Major J. Davidson, Madras Staff Corps, of a daughter, at 14, Magdalen-road, St. Leonard's-on-sea, Feb. 16.

MARRIAGES.

BERESFORD—Fox.—George de la Poer Beresford, Capt. Madras Staff Corps, to Hester, widow of the late Francis Fox, Esq., at St. James's Church, Feb. 16.

HALE—STATHER.—Joshua M. Hale, son of Jacob H. Hale, Esq., of Montpelier, Bristol, to Ellen C., daughter of Lieut. col. William C. Stather, Retired List, Bombay Army, at Woodchester, near Stroud, Gloucestershire, Feb. 16.

PRITCHETT—FORD.—William M. Pritchett, Lieut. Royal Marine L.I., to Alice Maud, daughter of the late Henry Ford, Esq., of Calcutta, at Sheffield, Feb. 16.

PUCKLE—ELERS.—F. C. Puckle, Esq., Madras Revenue Survey, to Augusta Mary, daughter of W. Elers, Esq., at St. Paul's, Rustall, Tunbridge Wells, Feb. 16.

DEATHS.

BABINGTON—Lieut. Samuel H. Babington, R.N., son of the late Wm. Babington, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at Madeira, aged 35, Jan. 31.

BALLARD—Jane E. T., widow of the late George Ballard, Esq., of Garden Reach, Calcutta, at High Cross, Melrose, N.B., Feb. 17.

BEAUFORT—Charles E., son of Francis L. Beaufort, Esq., of the Bengal Civil Service, at Lancing College, Feb. 16.

FRASER—Frances G., wife of Thomas Fraser, Esq., of 10, Vanbrugh-park, Blackheath, and daughter of the late John Moore, Esq., Calcutta, at Ventnor, Isle of Wight, aged 30, Feb. 19.

HAMILTON—Isabella, youngest child of Colonel G. W. Hamilton, Bengal Army, at 89, Charlotte-square, Edinburgh, aged 8, Feb. 17.

JARDINE—Lieut. Walter Jardine, Indian Navy, at Arkleton, near Langholm, Feb. 18.

JEAFFRESON—William Jeaffreson, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at 21, South Audley-street, aged 66, Feb. 16.

KINGSBURY—Martha, widow of the late Thomas Kingsbury, Esq., at 10, Warrior-square, Hastings, aged 80, Feb. 14.

PATTLE—General William Pattle, C.B., Colonel of the 19th Hussars, at Dawlish, aged 82, Feb. 9.

RIACHI—James P. Riach, Esq., K.L.S., late of the H. E. I. Co.'s service, Bombay and Persia, at Edinburgh, Feb. 18.

WILSON—Benjamin Wilson, Esq., late Madras Army, at Edinburgh, aged 89.

WRIGHT—Lieut. George W. P. Wright, R. N. R., and Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co., at Morningside, Edinburgh, aged 34, Feb. 15.

India Office,

February 22, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

MILITARY.

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Bombay Estab.—Lieut. col. W. R. Dickinson, Engrs.; Lieut. A. Le Mesurier, Engrs.; Lieut. col. S. Thacker, Staff Corps; Surg. G. F. Brown, Med. Estab.; Lieut. F. Paul, 23rd N.I.; Dep. Insp. gen. of Hospitals R. H. Davidson, Med. Estab.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Lord W. Hay, 6 mo.; Mr. G. G. Morris, 3 mo.; Mr. H. Adams (Uncov.), 6 mo.; Capt. F. P. Molloy (Uncov.), 6 mo.; Mr. F. Motley (Uncov.), 4 mo.

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PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. H. Morris; Mr. J. B. N. Hennessey (Uncov.); Mr. J. Graham (Uncov.); Mr. R. H. G. Irvine (Uncov.).

Bombay Estab.—Mr. W. Hart; Mr. C. M. Hogg.

MILITARY.

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PERMITTED TO RETIRE.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. col. R. J. Edgell, late 53rd N.I.; Capt. H. F. Bamford, late 38th N.I.; Capt. H. J. Allan, late 9th N.I.

PERMITTED TO RESIGN.

CIVIL.

Madras Estab.—Mr. W. H. Arbuthnot.

SIR ROBERT MONTGOMERY arrived in Calcutta on Tuesday night, Jan. 17, and is the guest of the Viceroy. His Excellency, Sir Hugh Rose, was expected in Calcutta on the 19th. His Honour, the Lieut.-governor of Bengal, has gone to Bhaugulpore, where he is likely to remain till his departure for Europe in March.

crease of commerce and wealth and prosperity we have no need to mention.

"Our one regret is that you must so soon leave us. May the Merciful God convey you home with all peace and safety; may He speedily restore you to us again with increased honour; and may He ever preserve a kindly memory of us in your heart.

"Sardar Shamsheer Singh,
"Newab Ali Reza Khan,
"Dewan Adjoodia Pershad,
"Sardar Lall Singh Kalianwalah.
"Newab Abd-ul-Majid Khan,
"Sardar Bhugwan Singh,
"And 79 others."

To this his Honour was pleased to make the following reply:—

"Sardars and Native Gentlemen,

"I thank you with all my heart for your address.

"I have not done all you attribute to me, but I have done my utmost to further your interests, welfare, and happiness.

"When I came among you fifteen years ago your country was indeed a wilderness, its highways unsafe, its revenues wasted; the anarchy and war following upon the death of Maharaja Ranjit Singh had brought ruin on the country and misery on the people.

"I thank God I have lived to see the desolation of those days changed for prosperity and contentedness.

"But I cannot claim to be the sole author of this great change; it was commenced by my illustrious predecessors, Sir Henry and Sir John Lawrence. I have endeavoured to carry on, with the assistance of other able officers, what they had successfully begun. In so doing we have all been animated with the same feeling—an earnest desire to promote your interests and well-being, and thus to carry out the wishes of our Most Gracious Queen.

"The appointment of honorary magistrates from among the chiefs and gentlemen of the province—to which you allude as one of the measures of my administration—has, I rejoice to say, been attended with great success and satisfaction to all. The election of municipal committees for the government of your cities has been equally so. These measures have been dictated by a policy which I have ever advocated, of associating, as far as possible, the people with the Government, in the business of administration.

"By these means honourable employment has been afforded to a large body of native gentlemen, and their knowledge and influence have been secured for the benefit of the people and the State. But this success is not only attributable to the exertions of your rulers, but to the satisfactory way in which you yourselves have responded to my call.

"The striking improvements in the capitals of Lahore, Amritsar, and other cities—the wonderful progress of female education during the last two years—bear testimony to these results, at once gratifying to me and honourable to yourselves.

"It has been my endeavour to open out your resources by encouraging the construction of roads and the promotion of works of public utility, and to facilitate by these means an increase in your exports and the general improvement in the trade and wealth of the province.

"I now bid you farewell, with my best wishes for your future happiness, in the assurance that your country will continue to advance in its career of prosperity, and that you yourselves will continue to prove, as you have done already, loyal and faithful subjects of her Majesty.

"Your future ruler is one who, like myself, has long lived among you, and your interests could not be left in better hands."

The Durbar then broke up.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.
MEDICAL FUND.

Medical Fund-office, Fort St. George, Jan. 3.— It is notified that annuities from the med. fund have been granted to the following gentlemen, viz:—

To Dep. Insp. gen. C. J. Smith, a large annuity.
To Surg. maj. J. C. Campbell, ditto.
To ret'd. Surg. J. Colebrook (the established), sick small annuity, in conformity with the affidavit of his inability to reside in India.

Jan. 4.—No. 1.—The undermentioned officer has returned to his duty by permission of the Home Govt., without prejudice to his rank:—

Lieut. col. A. N. Rich, 16th regt. native inf., arrived at Madras on Dec. 30, 1864.

Dec. 21.—Mr. J. R. Daniell, of the Madras C.S., to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of Dharwar.

Jan. 5.—One mo. priv. leave is granted to Mr. B. C. Leggett, dep. coll. in charge of the salt dept., Vizagapatam.

Jan. 6.—Capt. H. L. Grove, sen. asst. to the agent to the gov. of Fort St. George, in Vizagapatam, is invested with the full powers of a mag., and also with power to hear and dispose of appeals from the decisions of the subord. mags. of the 2nd class stationed in the div. under his charge.

No. 5.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following promotion, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Brev. capt. E. L. M. Evans, cadre 51st regt. N.I., to be major from Jan. 3.

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Leave of absence:—

Mr. J. Ratliff, civil and session judge of Nundial, for six mo., to proceed to Eur. on urgent private affairs, under sec. ix. of the revised covenanted C.S. absentee rules.

Mr. F. B. Molony, sub coll. of Cuddapah, for three yrs., to proceed to Eur. on furl., under sec. i. of the revised covenanted C.S. absentee rules, with prepy. leave for 14 days, under sec. iii. of those rules.

Admitted to the service:—

Mr. W. P. Austin is admitted as a member of the Madras C.S. from the 28th ult., the date of his arrival at the presidency per ship *Lord Warden*.

The undermen. gent. are admitted as members of the Madras C.S., from the dates specified opposite their respective names:—

Mr. R. Rice, 28th Dec., 1864, per ship *Lord Warden*.

Mr. L. A. Campbell, 30th Dec., 1864, per str. *Golconda*.

Mr. H. B. Grigg, 8th Jan., 1865, per str. *Simla*.

Mr. W. Elliot, civil and session judge of Guntoor, is permitted to resign the serv. from the 24th inst., and is admitted to an annuity from that date.

Fort St. George, Jan. 10.—Mr. C. N. Pochin to act as coll. and mag. of Salem during the absence of the Hon. D. Arbuthnot on leave.

Mr. L. Forbes to act as civil and sess. judge of Nundial during the absence of Mr. Ratliff on leave.

Mr. J. R. Cockerell to act as sub coll. and jt. mag. of the Madras district during the employment of Mr. G. Banbury on other duty.

To take effect from the 25th inst.

Mr. W. Hodgson to be civil and sess. judge of Guntoor.

Mr. H. Morris to be sub coll. and jt. mag. of Nellore.

Mr. C. N. Pochin to be sub coll. and jt. mag. of Tanjore, but to continue to act as coll. and mag. of Salem during the absence of the Hon. D. Arbuthnot on leave.

Mr. A. MacGregor to act as sub coll. and jt. mag. of Tinnevely during the absence of Mr. H. M. S. Græme on leave.

To take effect from the 1st proximo.

Mr. C. R. Pelly to be civil and session judge of Nellore.

Mr. J. D. Goldingham to act as civil and sess. judge of Madura, during the absence of Mr. R. B. Cotton on leave.

Mr. F. C. Carr to be judge of the Court of Small Causes at Cuddalore.

Mr. A. Wedderburn to be coll. and mag. of Tinnevely.

Mr. G. Banbury to act as coll. and mag. of Tinnevely during the absence of Mr. A. Wedderburn on leave.

Mr. H. G. Smith to be coll. and mag. of Cuddapah. Mr. E. B. Foord to be civil and sess. judge of Bellary, but to continue to act as coll., mag., and agent to the Governor of Fort St. George in Ganjam, during the absence of Mr. G. S. Forbes on leave.

Mr. L. Forbes to be sub coll. and joint mag. of Bellary, but to continue to act as civil and sess. judge of Nundial, during the absence of Mr. J. Ratliff on leave.

To take effect from the date of Mr. Molony's departure.

Mr. W. D. Horsley, to be sub coll. and joint mag. of Cuddapah.

Mr. J. R. Arbuthnot, to act as sub coll. and joint mag. of the Kistna dist., during the employment of Mr. T. A. N. Chase on other duty, or until further orders.

Mr. E. F. Webster, to be head asst. to the coll. and mag. of the Kistna dist., but to continue to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Cuddapah, during the employment of Mr. McQuhae on other duty, or until further orders.

Mr. F. Brandt to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kurnool, during the employment of Mr. J. R. Arbuthnot on other duty, or until further orders.

Surg. maj. J. K. Ogilvie, M.D., 30th regt., and Surg. H. R. Oswald, M.D., 8th regt. N.I., are perm. to exchange appts.

Posting.—Garrison Surg. C. W. Pickering to Cannanore.

Lieut. col. C. R. Stainforth, from late promotion, to 1st regt. L.C., on duty at the public expense.

Maj. J. C. Day, staff corps, doing duty 26th regt. N.I., is appt. to do duty under orders of the officer comdg. Mysore div.

Leave of absence:—

General Staff.—Brig. gen. D. Babington, comdg. Malabar and Canara, from Jan. 1, or date of quitting the limits of his command—Priv. leave for 60 days.

22nd Regt. N.I.—Lieut. T. O. Underwood, doing duty sappers and miners, from Jan. 4—Priv. leave for 60 days, Bombay.

European Veterans.—Capt. S. Prendergast, in charge of pensioners and holders of family certificates at Guntoor and Condapilly, for 6 mo., from date of departure, Madras.

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No. 11.—Asst. surg. G. Williamson, M.D., of the 12th regt. N.I., is permitted to proceed to Australia on furl. for 1 year without pay, under the furl. regs. of 1864.

The underment. officers having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provision of para. 2 of G.O.G. No. 531 of 1864, republished in Madras G.O.G. July 22, 1864, No. 276, are admitted thereto from the date specified against their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. A. Y. Booking, 20th regt. N.I., qrmr. of his regt., date of admission Dec. 4, 1863.

Lieut. W. O. Foord, 20th regt. N.I., adj. of his regt., date of admission Sept. 28, 1864.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 15. Castleton, Nagasaki.—17. Ocean Empress, Manila; Jessie Caffin, Moulmein.—19. President Harbitz, Manila; Great Western, Nagasaki; Revenue, Mauritius; Northumberland, Singapore; Glendevon, Bombay; Princess Royal, Bombay; Shannon, Bombay; Delaware, Kurrachee; Strathmore, Coochin; Hero of the Nile, Ceylon; West, Calcutta; Isabella, Penang; Ellenborough, Calcutta.—21. Zephyr, Batavia.—22. Northern Empire, Bombay; Chaseley, Moulmein.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 16. Mayflower, Calcutta.—17. Evangeline, Calcutta.—19. City of Ningpo, Calcutta; Richard Ryland, Bombay.—20. Edwin, Kurrachee.

CASUALTIES.

Singapore, Jan. 7.—The *Eugenie*, hence for Penang, has been wrecked on Free Island; the officers and crew are said to be saved.
Calcutta, Jan. 28.—The *City of Benares*, burning, has been scuttled.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per French str. *Peluse*, Feb. 19.—From Marseilles.—Mr. Smith, Galle; Mr. E. Cameron, Hong Kong; Mr. Anderson, Calcutta; Mr. H. F. Collinwood, Singapore; Mr. G. Vane, Galle; Miss Wall, Galle; Mr. Jones, Madras; Mr. F. Harvey, Shanghai; Mr. A. Hough, Calcutta; Mr. W. Koenig, Hong Kong; Mr. A. Johnstone, Singapore; Major Smith, Calcutta.

Per Poonah, Feb. 20.—From Marseilles to Bombay.—Capt. Marett, Miss Prescott, Mrs. R. Pinley, Capt. J. W. Fitzmaurice, Messrs. A. Brown, A. Mitchell, Crawford and son, Macartney, F. A. Welte, Mrs. Dryman, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Beadle, Lieut. E. Pottinger, Capt. and Mrs. Stevens, Mr. J. R. Grimes, Capt. J. H. Castell, Messrs. E. Bagg and Lind. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. Manby, Mr. and Mrs. Thurburn. For MALTA.—Mr. Wheeler.

Per Overland Route, Feb. 20.—For CALCUTTA.—Mrs. Conolly, Mrs. Farquhar and infant. For HONG KONG from Marseilles.—Mr. and Mrs. Trautmann, Mr. A. Milson. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mrs. and Miss Hobson.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

AMES—The wife of C. H. Ames, Esq., late Madras C.S., of a daughter, at 7, Pulteney-street, Bath, Feb. 19.

BRADLEY—The wife of W. H. Bradley, Esq., Dept. Inspector general of Hospitals, Retired List, Bombay Army, of a daughter, at Spa, Belgium, Feb. 12.

DAVIDSON—The wife of Major J. Davidson, Madras Staff Corps, of a daughter, at 14, Magdalen-road, St. Leonard's-on-sea, Feb. 16.

MARRIAGES.

BERESFORD—Fox.—George de la Poer Beresford, Capt. Madras Staff Corps, to Hester, widow of the late Francis Fox, Esq., at St. James's Church, Feb. 16.

HALE—STATHER.—Joshua M. Hale, son of Jacob H. Hale, Esq., of Montpelier, Bristol, to Ellen C., daughter of Lieut. col. William C. Stather, Retired List, Bombay Army, at Woodchester, near Stroud, Gloucestershire, Feb. 16.

PRITCHETT—FORD.—William M. Pritchett, Lieut. Royal Marine L.L., to Alice Maud, daughter of the late Henry Ford, Esq., of Calcutta, at Sheffield, Feb. 16.

PUCKLE—ELERS.—F. C. Puckle, Esq., Madras Revenue Survey, to Augusta Mary, daughter of W. Elers, Esq., at St. Paul's, Rustall, Tunbridge Wells, Feb. 16.

DEATHS.

BABINGTON—Lieut. Samuel H. Babington, R.N., son of the late Wm. Babington, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at Madeira, aged 35, Jan. 31.

BALLARD—Jane E. T., widow of the late George Ballard, Esq., of Garden Reach, Calcutta, at High Cross, Melrose, N.B., Feb. 17.

BEAUFORT—Charles E., son of Francis L. Beaufort, Esq., of the Bengal Civil Service, at Lancing College, Feb. 16.

FRASER—Frances G., wife of Thomas Fraser, Esq., of 10, Vanbrugh-park, Blackheath, and daughter of the late John Moore, Esq., Calcutta, at Ventnor, Isle of Wight, aged 30, Feb. 19.

HAMILTON—Isabella, youngest child of Colonel G. W. Hamilton, Bengal Army, at 89, Charlotte-square, Edinburgh, aged 8, Feb. 17.

JARDINE—Lieut. Walter Jardine, Indian Navy, at Arkleton, near Langholm, Feb. 18.

JEFFERSON—William Jefferison, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at 21, South Audley-street, aged 66, Feb. 16.

KINGSBURY—Martha, widow of the late Thomas Kingsbury, Esq., at 10, Warrior-square, Hastings, aged 80, Feb. 14.

PATTLE—General William Pattle, C.B., Colonel of the 19th Hussars, at Dawlish, aged 82, Feb. 9.

RIACH—James P. Riach, Esq., K.L.S., late of the H. E. I. Co.'s service, Bombay and Persia, at Edinburgh, Feb. 18.

WILSON—Benjamin Wilson, Esq., late Madras Army, at Edinburgh, aged 89.

WRIGHT—Lieut. George W. P. Wright, R. N. R., and Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co., at Morningside, Edinburgh, aged 84, Feb. 15.

India Office,

February 22, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. Sir G. L. Parker, Bart., Staff Corps; Major D. C. Shute, 19th N.I.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. col. A. R. Fraser, Staff Corps; Lieut. G. Pirrie, 17th N.I.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. col. W. R. Dickinson, Engrs.; Lieut. A. Le Mesurier, Engrs.; Lieut. col. S. Thacker, Staff Corps; Surg. G. F. Brown, Med. Estab.; Lieut. F. Paul, 23rd N.I.; Dep. Insp. gen. of Hospitals R. H. Davidson, Med. Estab.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Lord W. Hay, 6 mo.; Mr. G. G. Morris, 3 mo.; Mr. H. Adams (Uncov.), 6 mo.; Capt. F. P. Molloy (Uncov.), 6 mo.; Mr. F. Motley (Uncov.), 4 mo.

Madras Estab.—Mr. R. R. Cotton, 4 mo.; Mr. H. Wood, 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Mr. H. K. Disney, 6 mo.; Mr. G. W. Cline, 6 mo.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Capt. J. L. Watts, Engrs., 1 mo.; Major C. Brownlow, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Lieut. col. G. N. Oakes, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Major A. Blackwood, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Lieut. A. W. Parker, Inf., 6 mo.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. H. M. May, 32nd N.I., 6 mo.; Capt. J. M. Foote, 29th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. J. W. S. Butler, 17th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. A. J. Howes, 50th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. R. Stewart, 49th N.I., 6 mo.; Major G. Atkinson, 6th N.I., 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. E. G. Sabben, 17th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. J. A. Arbuthnot, Cav., 6 mo.; Lieut. H. C. Moore, Engrs., 6 mo.; Lieut. C. J. Anderson, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Capt. C. A. Collier, Staff Corps, 6 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. H. Morris; Mr. J. B. N. Hennessey (Uncov.); Mr. J. Graham (Uncov.); Mr. R. H. G. Irvine (Uncov.).

Bombay Estab.—Mr. W. Hart; Mr. C. M. Hogg.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. H. A. Rooke, 12th N.I.; Asst. surg. J. R. Jackson, Med. Estab.; Lieut. W. Battye, late 6th Eur. Regt.; Insp. gen. of hospitals J. McClelland, Med. Estab.

Madras Estab.—Surg. maj. H. J. Penny, Med. Estab.; Major E. W. Dun, Staff Corps; Lieut. G. C. Marsh, 28th N.I.; Lieut. col. A. Cooper, 46th N.I.; Lieut. H. F. de Lousada, 51st N.I.; Major L. H. Holland, Staff Corps; Asst. surg. E. E. Lloyd, Med. Estab.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. col. G. S. Anderson, Staff Corps; Capt. R. G. Stevenson, 2nd L.C.; Major H. Shewell, 2nd Eur. Regt.; Capt. M. W. Parker, Staff Corps; Lieut. E. G. Jenkins, 1st L.C.

PERMITTED TO RETIRE.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. col. R. J. Edgell, late 53rd N.I.; Capt. H. F. Bamford, late 38th N.I.; Capt. H. J. Allan, late 9th N.I.

PERMITTED TO RESIGN.

CIVIL.

Madras Estab.—Mr. W. H. Arbuthnot.

SIR ROBERT MONTGOMERY arrived in Calcutta on Tuesday night, Jan. 17, and is the guest of the Viceroy. His Excellency, Sir Hugh Rose, was expected in Calcutta on the 19th. His Honour, the Lieut.-governor of Bengal, has gone to Bhaugulpore, where he is likely to remain till his departure for Europe in March.

crease of commerce and wealth and prosperity we have no need to mention.

"Our one regret is that you must so soon leave us. May the Merciful God convey you home with all peace and safety; may He speedily restore you to us again with increased honour; and may He ever preserve a kindly memory of us in your heart.

"Sardar Shamsher Singh,
"Newab Ali Reza Khan,
"Dewan Adjoodia Pershad,
"Sardar Lall Singh Kalianwalah.
"Newab Abd-ul-Majid Khan,
"Sardar Bhugwan Singh,
"And 79 others."

To this his Honour was pleased to make the following reply:—

"Sardars and Native Gentlemen,

"I thank you with all my heart for your address.

"I have not done all you attribute to me, but I have done my utmost to further your interests, welfare, and happiness.

"When I came among you fifteen years ago your country was indeed a wilderness, its highways unsafe, its revenues wasted; the anarchy and war following upon the death of Maharaja Ranjit Singh had brought ruin on the country and misery on the people.

"I thank God I have lived to see the desolation of those days changed for prosperity and contentedness.

"But I cannot claim to be the sole author of this great change; it was commenced by my illustrious predecessors, Sir Henry and Sir John Lawrence. I have endeavoured to carry on, with the assistance of other able officers, what they had successfully begun. In so doing we have all been animated with the same feeling—an earnest desire to promote your interests and well-being, and thus to carry out the wishes of our Most Gracious Queen.

"The appointment of honorary magistrates from among the chiefs and gentlemen of the province—to which you allude as one of the measures of my administration—has, I rejoice to say, been attended with great success and satisfaction to all. The election of municipal committees for the government of your cities has been equally so. These measures have been dictated by a policy which I have ever advocated, of associating, as far as possible, the people with the Government, in the business of administration.

"By these means honourable employment has been afforded to a large body of native gentlemen, and their knowledge and influence have been secured for the benefit of the people and the State. But this success is not only attributable to the exertions of your rulers, but to the satisfactory way in which you yourselves have responded to my call.

"The striking improvements in the capitals of Lahore, Amritsar, and other cities—the wonderful progress of female education during the last two years—bear testimony to these results, at once gratifying to me and honourable to yourselves.

"It has been my endeavour to open out your resources by encouraging the construction of roads and the promotion of works of public utility, and to facilitate by these means an increase in your exports and the general improvement in the trade and wealth of the province.

"I now bid you farewell, with my best wishes for your future happiness, in the assurance that your country will continue to advance in its career of prosperity, and that you yourselves will continue to prove, as you have done already, loyal and faithful subjects of her Majesty.

"Your future ruler is one who, like myself, has long lived among you, and your interests could not be left in better hands."

The Durbar then broke up.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL. MEDICAL FUND.

Medical Fund-office, Fort St. George, Jan. 3.—It is notified that annuities from the med. fund have been granted to the following gentlemen, viz.:—

To Dep. Insp. gen. C. J. Smith, a large annuity.

To Surg. maj. J. C. Campbell, ditto.

To ret'd. Surg. J. Colebrook (the established), sick small annuity, in conformity with the affidavit of his inability to reside in India.

Jan. 4.—No. 1.—The undermentioned officer has returned to his duty by permission of the Home Govt., without prejudice to his rank:—

Lieut. col. A. N. Rich, 16th regt. native inf., arrived at Madras on Dec. 30, 1864.

Dec. 21.—Mr. J. R. Daniell, of the Madras C.S., to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of Dharwar.

Jan. 5.—One mo. priv. leave is granted to Mr. B. C. Leggett, dep. coll. in charge of the salt dept., Vizagapatam.

Jan. 6.—Capt. H. L. Grove, sen. asst. to the agent to the gov. of Fort St. George, in Vizagapatam, is invested with the full powers of a mag., and also with power to hear and dispose of appeals from the decisions of the subord. mags. of the 2nd class stationed in the div. under his charge.

No. 5.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following promotion, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Brev. capt. E. L. M. Evans, cadre 51st regt. N.I., to be major from Jan. 3.

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Surg. A. A. Renton, M.D., medical dept.; arrived at Madras on Dec. 30.

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Lieut. G. Pirrie, of 17th regt. N.I., actg. qrmr. and interp., 38th regt. N.I., on furl. for 8 months, without pay, under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Bombay.

Lieut. G. P. Wood, of infantry general list, doing duty with 34th regt. L.I., is permitted, at his own request, to resign the service from Jan. 10, subject to H.M.'s approval.

No. 7.—Madras Staff Corps.—Capt. (brev. maj.) H. I. Bett, having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from Jan. 5, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Leave of absence:—

Mr. J. Ratliff, civil and session judge of Nundial, for six mo., to proceed to Eur. on urgent private affairs, under sec. ix. of the revised covenanted C.S. absentee rules.

Mr. F. B. Molony, sub coll. of Cuddapah, for three yrs., to proceed to Eur. on furl., under sec. i. of the revised covenanted C.S. absentee rules, with prep. leave for 14 days, under sec. iii. of those rules.

Admitted to the service:—

Mr. W. P. Austin is admitted as a member of the Madras C.S. from the 28th ult., the date of his arrival at the presidency per ship *Lord Warden*.

The undermen. gent. are admitted as members of the Madras C.S., from the dates specified opposite their respective names:—

Mr. R. Rice, 28th Dec., 1864, per ship *Lord Warden*.

Mr. L. A. Campbell, 30th Dec., 1864, per str. *Colonda*.

Mr. H. B. Grigg, 8th Jan., 1865, per str. *Simla*.

Mr. W. Elliot, civil and session judge of Guntoor, is permitted to resign the serv. from the 24th inst., and is admitted to an annuity from that date.

Fort St. George, Jan. 10.—Mr. C. N. Pochin to act as coll. and mag. of Salem during the absence of the Hon. D. Arbuthnot on leave.

Mr. L. Forbes to act as civil and sess. judge of Nundial during the absence of Mr. Ratliff on leave.

Mr. J. R. Cockerell to act as sub coll. and jt. mag. of the Madras district during the employment of Mr. G. Banbury on other duty.

To take effect from the 25th inst.

Mr. W. Hodgson to be civil and sess. judge of Guntoor.

Mr. H. Morris to be sub coll. and jt. mag. of Nellore.

Mr. C. N. Pochin to be sub coll. and jt. mag. of Tanjore, but to continue to act as coll. and mag. of Salem during the absence of the Hon. D. Arbuthnot on leave.

Mr. A. MacGregor to act as sub coll. and jt. mag. of Tinnevely during the absence of Mr. H. M. S. Græme on leave.

To take effect from the 1st proximo.

Mr. C. R. Pelly to be civil and session judge of Nellore.

Mr. J. D. Goldingham to act as civil and sess. judge of Madura, during the absence of Mr. R. R. Cotton on leave.

Mr. F. C. Carr to be judge of the Court of Small Causes at Cuddalore.

Mr. A. Wedderburn to be coll. and mag. of Tinnevely.

Mr. G. Banbury to act as coll. and mag. of Tinnevely during the absence of Mr. A. Wedderburn on leave.

Mr. H. G. Smith to be coll. and mag. of Cuddapah. Mr. E. B. Foord to be civil and sess. judge of Bellary, but to continue to act as coll., mag., and agent to the Governor of Fort St. George in Ganjam, during the absence of Mr. G. S. Forbes on leave.

Mr. L. Forbes to be sub coll. and joint mag. of Bellary, but to continue to act as civil and sess. judge of Nundial, during the absence of Mr. J. Ratliff on leave.

To take effect from the date of Mr. Molony's departure.

Mr. W. D. Horsley, to be sub coll. and joint mag. of Cuddapah.

Mr. J. R. Arbuthnot, to act as sub coll. and joint mag. of the Kistna dist., during the employment of Mr. T. A. N. Chase on other duty, or until further orders.

Mr. E. F. Webster, to be head asst. to the coll. and mag. of the Kistna dist., but to continue to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Cuddapah, during the employment of Mr. McQuhae on other duty, or until further orders.

Mr. F. Brandt to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kurnool, during the employment of Mr. J. R. Arbuthnot on other duty, or until further orders.

Surg. maj. J. K. Ogilvie, M.D., 30th regt., and Surg. H. R. Oswald, M.D., 8th regt. N.I., are perm. to exchange appts.

Posting.—Garrison Surg. C. W. Pickering to Cannanore.

Lieut. col. C. R. Stainforth, from late promotion, to 1st regt. L.C., on duty at the public expense.

Maj. J. C. Day, staff corps, doing duty 26th regt. N.I., is appt. to do duty under orders of the officer comdg. Mysore div.

Leave of absence:—

General Staff.—Brig. gen. D. Babington, comdg. Malabar and Canara, from Jan. 1, or date of quitting the limits of his command—Priv. leave for 60 days.

22nd Regt. N.I.—Lieut. T. O. Underwood, doing duty sappers and miners, from Jan. 4—Priv. leave for 60 days, Bombay.

European Veterans.—Capt. S. Prendergast, in charge of pensioners and holders of family certificates at Guntoor and Condapilly, for 6 mo., from date of departure, Madras.

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Capt. C. D. Waddell, of the Royal (Madras) art., and 2nd class comy. of ordnance, Pegu div., is perm. to go to Europe on m.c., for 20 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

No. 11.—Asst. surg. G. Williamson, M.D., of the 12th regt. N.I., is permitted to proceed to Australia on furl. for 1 year without pay, under the furl. regs. of 1864.

The undermen. officers having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provision of para. 2 of G.O.G. No. 531 of 1864, republished in Madras G.O.G. July 22, 1864, No. 276, are admitted thereto from the date specified against their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. A. Y. Booking, 20th regt. N.I., qrmr. of his regt., date of admission Dec. 4, 1863.

Lieut. W. O. Foord, 20th regt. N.I., adj. of his regt., date of admission Sept. 28, 1864.

Lieut. E. H. Eyre, 38th regt. N.I., adj. of his regt., Dec. 10, 1864.

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Lieut. F. W. Buller, gen. list, Madras army, attached to 2nd regt. Madras L.C., for 18 mo.

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A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the proceedings.

MISCELLANEOUS.

AGRA AND MASTERMAN'S BANK.—The directors of the Agra and Masterman's Bank have declared a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum for the half-year ended the 31st of December, with a bonus of £3 per share, together equal to 22 per cent. per annum, making, with the previous distribution 20 per cent. for the year 1864, at which rate a dividend and bonus on the new shares will be paid.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 15. *Castleton*, Nagasaki.—17. *Ocean Empress*, Manila; *Jessie Caffu*, Moulmein.—19. *President Harbitz*, Manila; *Great Western*, Nagasaki; *Revenue*, Mauritius; *Northumberland*, Singapore; *Glendevon*, Bombay; *Princess Royal*, Bombay; *Shannon*, Bombay; *Delaware*, Kurrachee; *Strathmore*, Ceylon; *Hera of the Nile*, Ceylon; *West*, Calcutta; *Isabella*, Penang; *Ellenborough*, Calcutta.—21. *Zephyr*, Batavia.—22. *Northern Empire*, Bombay; *Chaseley*, Moulmein.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 16. *Mayflower*, Calcutta.—17. *Evangeline*, Calcutta.—19. *City of Ningpo*, Calcutta; *Richard Ryland*, Bombay.—20. *Edwin*, Kurrachee.

CASUALTIES.

Singapore, Jan. 7.—The *Eugenie*, hence for Penang, has been wrecked on Free Island; the officers and crew are said to be saved.
Calcutta, Jan. 28.—The *City of Benares*, burning, has been scuttled.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per French str. *Feluse*, Feb. 19.—From MARSEILLES.—Mr. Smith, Galle; Mr. E. Cameron, Hong Kong; Mr. Anderson, Calcutta; Mr. H. F. Collinwood, Singapore; Mr. G. Vane, Galle; Miss Wall, Galle; Mr. Jones, Madras; Mr. F. Harvey, Shanghai; Mr. A. Hough, Calcutta; Mr. W. Koenig, Hong Kong; Mr. A. Johnstone, Singapore; Major Smith, Calcutta.

Per *Poonah*, Feb. 20.—From MARSEILLES to BOMBAY.—Capt. Marrett, Miss Prescott, Mrs. R. Pinhey, Capt. J. W. Fitzmaurice, Messrs. A. Brown, A. Mitchell, Crawford and son, Macartney, F. A. Welle, Mrs. Dryman, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Beale, Lieut. E. Pettenger, Capt. and Mrs. Stevens, Mr. J. R. Grimes, Capt. J. H. Custel, Messrs. E. Bagg and Lind. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. Manby, Mr. and Mrs. Thurburn. For MALTA.—Mr. Wheeler.

Per *Overland Route*, Feb. 20.—For CALCUTTA.—Mrs. Conolly, Mrs. Farquhar and infant. For HONG KONG from MARSEILLES.—Mr. and Mrs. Trautmann, Mr. A. Milson. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mrs. and Miss Hobson.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

AMES—The wife of C. H. Ames, Esq., late Madras C.S., of a daughter, at 7, Pulteney-street, Bath, Feb. 19.

BRADLEY—The wife of W. H. Bradley, Esq., Dept. Inspector general of Hospitals, Retired List, Bombay Army, of a daughter, at Spa, Belgium, Feb. 12.

DAVIDSON—The wife of Major J. Davidson, Madras Staff Corps, of a daughter, at 14, Magdalen-road, St. Leonard's-on-sea, Feb. 16.

MARRIAGES.

BERESFORD—Fox.—George de la Poer Beresford, Capt. Madras Staff Corps, to Hester, widow of the late Francis Fox, Esq., at St. James's Church, Feb. 16.

HALE—STATHER.—Joshua M. Hale, son of Jacob H. Hale, Esq., of Montpelier, Bristol, to Ellen C., daughter of Lieut. col. William C. Stather, Retired List, Bombay Army, at Woodchester, near Stroud, Gloucestershire, Feb. 16.

PRITCHETT—FORD.—William M. Pritchett, Lieut. Royal Marine L.I., to Alice Maud, daughter of the late Henry Ford, Esq., of Calcutta, at Sheffield, Feb. 16.

PUCKLE—ELERS.—F. C. Puckle, Esq., Madras Revenue Survey, to Augusta Mary, daughter of W. Elers, Esq., at St. Paul's, Rustall, Tunbridge Wells, Feb. 16.

DEATHS.

BABINGTON—Lieut. Samuel H. Babington, R.N., son of the late Wm. Babington, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at Madeira, aged 35, Jan. 31.

BALLARD—Jane E. T., widow of the late George Ballard, Esq., of Garden Reach, Calcutta, at High Cross, Melrose, N.B., Feb. 17.

BRAUFORT—Charles E., son of Francis L. Braufort, Esq., of the Bengal Civil Service, at Lancing College, Feb. 16.

FRASER—Frances G., wife of Thomas Fraser, Esq., of 10, Vanbrugh-park, Blackheath, and daughter of the late John Moore, Esq., Calcutta, at Ventnor, Isle of Wight, aged 30, Feb. 19.

HAMILTON—Isabella, youngest child of Colonel G. W. Hamilton, Bengal Army, at 89, Charlotte-square, Edinburgh, aged 8, Feb. 17.

JARDINE—Lieut. Walter Jardine, Indian Navy, at Arkleton, near Langholm, Feb. 18.

JEFFERSON—William Jefferson, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at 21, South Audley-street, aged 66, Feb. 16.

KINGSBURY—Martha, widow of the late Thomas Kingsbury, Esq., at 10, Warrior-square, Hastings, aged 80, Feb. 14.

PATTLE—General William Pattle, C.B., Colonel of the 19th Hussars, at Dawlish, aged 82, Feb. 9.
RIACH—James P. Riach, Esq., K.L.S., late of the H. E. I. Co.'s service, Bombay and Persia, at Edinburgh, Feb. 18.
WILSON—Benjamin Wilson, Esq., late Madras Army, at Edinburgh, aged 39.
WRIGHT—Lieut. George W. P. Wright, R. N. R., and Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co., at Morningside, Edinburgh, aged 34, Feb. 15.

India Office,

February 22, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. Sir G. L. Parker, Bart., Staff Corps; Major D. C. Shute, 19th N.I.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. col. A. R. Fraser, Staff Corps; Lieut. G. Pirrie, 17th N.I.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. col. W. R. Dickinson, Engrs.; Lieut. A. Le Mesurier, Engrs.; Lieut. col. S. Thacker, Staff Corps; Surg. G. F. Brown, Med. Estab.; Lieut. F. Paul, 23rd N.I.; Dep. Insp. gen. of Hospitals R. H. Davidson, Med. Estab.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Lord W. Hay, 6 mo.; Mr. G. G. Morris, 3 mo.; Mr. H. Adams (Uncov.), 6 mo.; Capt. F. P. Molloy (Uncov.), 6 mo.; Mr. F. Motley (Uncov.), 4 mo.

Madras Estab.—Mr. R. R. Cotton, 4 mo.; Mr. H. Wood, 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Mr. H. K. Disney, 6 mo.; Mr. G. W. Cline, 6 mo.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Capt. J. L. Watts, Engrs., 1 mo.; Major C. Brownlow, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Lieut. col. G. N. Oakes, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Major A. Blackwood, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Lieut. A. W. Parker, Inf., 6 mo.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. H. M. May, 32nd N.I., 6 mo.; Capt. J. M. Foote, 29th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. J. W. S. Butler, 17th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. A. J. Howes, 50th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. R. Stewart, 49th N.I., 6 mo.; Major G. Atkinson, 6th N.I., 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. E. G. Sabben, 17th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. J. A. Arbuthnot, Cav., 6 mo.; Lieut. H. C. Moore, Engrs., 6 mo.; Lieut. C. J. Anderson, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Capt. C. A. Collier, Staff Corps, 6 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. H. Morris; Mr. J. B. N. Hennessey (Uncov.); Mr. J. Graham (Uncov.); Mr. R. H. G. Irvine (Uncov.).

Bombay Estab.—Mr. W. Hart; Mr. C. M. Hogg.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. H. A. Rooke, 12th N.I.; Asst. surg. J. R. Jackson, Med. Estab.; Lieut. W. Battye, late 6th Eur. Regt.; Insp. gen. of hospitals J. McClelland, Med. Estab.

Madras Estab.—Surg. maj. H. J. Penny, Med. Estab.; Major E. W. Dun, Staff Corps; Lieut. G. C. Marsh, 28th N.I.; Lieut. col. A. Cooper, 46th N.I.; Lieut. H. F. de Lousada, 51st N.I.; Major L. H. Holland, Staff Corps; Asst. surg. E. E. Lloyd, Med. Estab.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. col. G. S. Anderson, Staff Corps; Capt. R. G. Stevenson, 2nd L.C.; Major H. Shewell, 2nd Eur. Regt.; Capt. M. W. Parker, Staff Corps; Lieut. E. G. Jenkins, 1st L.C.

PERMITTED TO RETIRE.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. col. R. J. Edgell, late 53rd N.I.; Capt. H. F. Bamford, late 38th N.I.; Capt. H. J. Allan, late 9th N.I.

PERMITTED TO RESIGN.

CIVIL.

Madras Estab.—Mr. W. H. Arbuthnot.

SIR ROBERT MONTGOMERY arrived in Calcutta on Tuesday night, Jan. 17, and is the guest of the Viceroy. His Excellency, Sir Hugh Rose, was expected in Calcutta on the 19th. His Honour, the Lieut.-governor of Bengal, has gone to Bhaugulpore, where he is likely to remain till his departure for Europe in March.

crease of commerce and wealth and prosperity we have no need to mention.

"Our one regret is that you must so soon leave us. May the Merciful God convey you home with all peace and safety; may He speedily restore you to us again with increased honour; and may He ever preserve a kindly memory of us in your heart.

"Sardar Shamsheer Singh,
"Newab Ali Reza Khan,
"Dewan Adjoodia Pershad,
"Sardar Lall Singh Kalianwalah.
"Newab Abd-ul-Majid Khan,
"Sardar Bhugwan Singh,
"And 79 others."

To this his Honour was pleased to make the following reply:—

"Sardars and Native Gentlemen,

"I thank you with all my heart for your address.

"I have not done all you attribute to me, but I have done my utmost to further your interests, welfare, and happiness.

"When I came among you fifteen years ago your country was indeed a wilderness, its highways unsafe, its revenues wasted; the anarchy and war following upon the death of Maharaja Ranjit Singh had brought ruin on the country and misery on the people.

"I thank God I have lived to see the desolation of those days changed for prosperity and contentedness.

"But I cannot claim to be the sole author of this great change; it was commenced by my illustrious predecessors, Sir Henry and Sir John Lawrence. I have endeavoured to carry on, with the assistance of other able officers, what they had successfully begun. In so doing we have all been animated with the same feeling—an earnest desire to promote your interests and well-being, and thus to carry out the wishes of our Most Gracious Queen.

"The appointment of honorary magistrates from among the chiefs and gentlemen of the province—to which you allude as one of the measures of my administration—has, I rejoice to say, been attended with great success and satisfaction to all. The election of municipal committees for the government of your cities has been equally so. These measures have been dictated by a policy which I have ever advocated, of associating, as far as possible, the people with the Government, in the business of administration.

"By these means honourable employment has been afforded to a large body of native gentlemen, and their knowledge and influence have been secured for the benefit of the people and the State. But this success is not only attributable to the exertions of your rulers, but to the satisfactory way in which you yourselves have responded to my call.

"The striking improvements in the capitals of Lahore, Amritaur, and other cities—the wonderful progress of female education during the last two years—bear testimony to these results, at once gratifying to me and honourable to yourselves.

"It has been my endeavour to open out your resources by encouraging the construction of roads and the promotion of works of public utility, and to facilitate by these means an increase in your exports and the general improvement in the trade and wealth of the province.

"I now bid you farewell, with my best wishes for your future happiness, in the assurance that your country will continue to advance in its career of prosperity, and that you yourselves will continue to prove, as you have done already, loyal and faithful subjects of her Majesty.

"Your future ruler is one who, like myself, has long lived among you, and your interests could not be left in better hands."

The Durbar then broke up.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL. MEDICAL FUND.

Medical Fund-office, Fort St. George, Jan. 3.—It is notified that annuities from the med. fund have been granted to the following gentlemen, viz.:—

To Dep. Insp. gen. C. J. Smith, a large annuity.
To Surg. maj. J. C. Campbell, ditto.
To ret'd. Surg. J. Colebrook (the established), sick small annuity, in conformity with the affidavit of his inability to reside in India.

Jan. 4.—No. 1.—The undermentioned officer has returned to his duty by permission of the Home Govt., without prejudice to his rank:—

Lieut. col. A. N. Rich, 16th regt. native inf., arrived at Madras on Dec. 30, 1864.

Dec. 21.—Mr. J. R. Daniell, of the Madras C.S., to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of Dharwar.

Jan. 5.—One mo. priv. leave is granted to Mr. B. C. Leggatt, dep. coll. in charge of the salt dept., Vizagapatam.

Jan. 6.—Capt. H. L. Grove, sen. asst. to the agent to the gov. of Fort St. George, in Vizagapatam, is invested with the full powers of a mag., and also with power to hear and dispose of appeals from the decisions of the subord. mags. of the 2nd class stationed in the div. under his charge.

No. 5.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following promotion, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Brev. capt. E. L. M. Evans, cadre 51st regt. N.I., to be major from Jan. 8.

The undermen. officer has returned to his duty by permission of the Home Govt., without prejudice to his rank:—

Surg. A. A. Renton, M.D., medical dept.; arrived at Madras on Dec. 30.

The undermen. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe:—

Lieut. G. Pirrie, of 17th regt. N.I., actg. qrmr. and interp., 38th regt. N.I., on furl. for 8 months, without pay, under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Bombay.

Lieut. G. P. Wood, of infantry general list, doing duty with 34th regt. L.I., is permitted, at his own request, to resign the service from Jan. 10, subject to H.M.'s approval.

No. 7.—Madras Staff Corps.—Capt. (brev. maj.) H. I. Bett, having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from Jan. 5, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Leave of absence:—

Mr. J. Ratliff, civil and session judge of Nundial, for six mo., to proceed to Eur. on urgent private affairs, under sec. ix. of the revised covenanted C.S. absentee rules.

Mr. F. B. Molony, sub coll. of Cuddapah, for three yrs., to proceed to Eur. on furl., under sec. i. of the revised covenanted C.S. absentee rules, with prep. leave for 14 days, under sec. iii. of those rules.

Admitted to the service:—

Mr. W. P. Austin is admitted as a member of the Madras C.S. from the 28th ult., the date of his arrival at the presidency per ship *Lord Warden*.

The undermen. gent. are admitted as members of the Madras C.S., from the dates specified opposite their respective names:—

Mr. R. Rice, 28th Dec., 1864, per ship *Lord Warden*.

Mr. L. A. Campbell, 30th Dec., 1864, per str. *Goconda*.

Mr. H. B. Grigg, 8th Jan., 1865, per str. *Simla*.

Mr. W. Elliot, civil and session judge of Guntur, is permitted to resign the serv. from the 24th inst., and is admitted to an annuity from that date.

Fort St. George, Jan. 10.—Mr. C. N. Pochin to act as coll. and mag. of Salem during the absence of the Hon. D. Arbuthnot on leave.

Mr. L. Forbes to act as civil and sess. judge of Nundial during the absence of Mr. Ratliff on leave.

Mr. J. R. Cockerell to act as sub coll. and jt. mag. of the Madras district during the employment of Mr. G. Banbury on other duty.

To take effect from the 25th inst.

Mr. W. Hodgson to be civil and sess. judge of Guntur.

Mr. H. Morris to be sub coll. and jt. mag. of Nellore.

Mr. C. N. Pochin to be sub coll. and jt. mag. of Tanjore, but to continue to act as coll. and mag. of Salem during the absence of the Hon. D. Arbuthnot on leave.

Mr. A. MacGregor to act as sub coll. and jt. mag. of Tinnevely during the absence of Mr. H. M. S. Graeme on leave.

To take effect from the 1st proximo.

Mr. C. R. Pelly to be civil and session judge of Nellore.

Mr. J. D. Goldingham to act as civil and sess. judge of Madura, during the absence of Mr. R. R. Cotton on leave.

Mr. F. C. Carr to be judge of the Court of Small Causes at Cuddalore.

Mr. A. Wedderburn to be coll. and mag. of Tinnevely.

Mr. G. Banbury to act as coll. and mag. of Tinnevely during the absence of Mr. A. Wedderburn on leave.

Mr. H. G. Smith to be coll. and mag. of Cuddapah.
Mr. E. B. Foord to be civil and sess. judge of Bellary, but to continue to act as coll., mag., and agent to the Governor of Fort St. George in Ganjam, during the absence of Mr. G. S. Forbes on leave.

Mr. L. Forbes to be sub coll. and joint mag. of Bellary, but to continue to act as civil and sess. judge of Nundial, during the absence of Mr. J. Ratliff on leave.

To take effect from the date of Mr. Molony's departure.

Mr. W. D. Horsley, to be sub coll. and joint mag. of Cuddapah.

Mr. J. R. Arbuthnot, to act as sub coll. and joint mag. of the Kistna dist., during the employment of Mr. T. A. N. Chase on other duty, or until further orders.

Mr. E. F. Webster, to be head asst. to the coll. and mag. of the Kistna dist., but to continue to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Cuddapah, during the employment of Mr. McQuhas on other duty, or until further orders.

Mr. F. Brandt to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kurnool, during the employment of Mr. J. R. Arbuthnot on other duty, or until further orders.

Surg. maj. J. K. Ogilvie, M.D., 30th regt., and Surg. H. R. Oswald, M.D., 8th regt. N.I., are perm. to exchange appts.

Posting.—Garrison Surg. C. W. Pickering to Cannanore.

Lieut. col. C. R. Stainforth, from late promotion, to 1st regt. L.C., on duty at the public expense.

Maj. J. C. Day, staff corps, doing duty 26th regt. N.I., is apptd. to do duty under orders of the officer comdg. Mysore div.

Leave of absence:—

General Staff.—Brig. gen. D. Babington, comdg. Malabar and Canara, from Jan. 1, or date of quitting the limits of his command.—Priv. leave for 60 days.

22nd Regt. N.I.—Lieut. T. O. Underwood, doing duty sappers and miners, from Jan. 4.—Priv. leave for 60 days, Bombay.

European Veterans.—Capt. S. Prendergast, in charge of pensioners and holders of family certificates at Guntur and Condapilly, for 6 mo., from date of departure, Madras.

Lieut. G. Pirrie, of the 17th regt. N.I., acting qrmr. and interpreter 38th regt. N.I.—On furl. for 8 mo., without pay, under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Bombay.

Capt. C. D. Waddell, of the Royal (Madras) art., and 2nd class comy. of ordnance, Pegu div., is perm. to go to Europe on m.c., for 20 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

No. 11.—Asst. surg. G. Williamson, M.D., of the 12th regt. N.I., is permitted to proceed to Australia on furl. for 1 year without pay, under the furl. regs. of 1864.

The undermen. officers having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provision of para. 2 of G.O.G. No. 531 of 1864, republished in Madras G.O.G. July 22, 1864, No. 276, are admitted thereto from the date specified against their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. A. Y. Booking, 20th regt. N.I., qrmr. of his regt., date of admission Dec. 4, 1863.

Lieut. W. O. Foord, 20th regt. N.I., adj. of his regt., date of admission Sept. 28, 1864.

Lieut. E. H. Eyre, 38th regt. N.I., adj. of his regt., Dec. 10, 1864.

Returned to duty:—

Lieut. col. A. N. Rich, 16th regt. N.I.; arrived at Madras Dec. 30.

Surg. A. A. Renton, M.D., med. dept.; arrived at Madras Dec. 30.

Furlough to Europe:—

Lieut. col. A. R. Fraser, Madras staff corps, and paymr. Hyderabad subsidiary force, for 20 mo.

Lieut. F. W. Buller, gen. list, Madras army, attached to 2nd regt. Madras L.C., for 18 mo.

No. 5.—Promotion, subject to her Majesty's approval:—

Brevet.—Capt. E. L. M. Evans, cadre 51st regt. N.I., to be major from Jan. 8, 1865.

No. 7.—Madras Staff Corps.—Capt. (brevet major) H. I. Bett having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from Jan. 5, 1865, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to her Majesty's approval.

Lieut. G. P. Wood, inf. gen. list, doing duty with 34th regt. L.I., is permitted, at his own request, to resign the service from Jan. 10, 1865, subject to her Majesty's approval.

The Chairman said the town was now progressing very fast, and this progress had received an impetus through the cyclone which visited Calcutta, for those visitations were felt less at Canningtown than they were at Calcutta, as the force of the waves was lost before they reached the Mutlah. The increase in importance of this town would benefit the company's property.

A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the proceedings.

MISCELLANEOUS.

AGRA AND MASTERMAN'S BANK.—The directors of the Agra and Masterman's Bank have declared a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum for the half-year ended the 31st of December, with a bonus of £3 per share, together equal to 22 per cent. per annum, making, with the previous distribution 20 per cent. for the year 1864, at which rate a dividend and bonus on the new shares will be paid.

CHINA STEAMSHIP AND LABUAN COAL COMPANY.—An amended prospectus has been issued of the China Steamship and Labuan Coal Company, increasing the nominal capital to £540,000, by an addition of 3,000 shares of £20 each, but reducing the amount to be paid up from £5 to £4.

THE INDIAN DEBT.—Yesterday was printed a return from the India-office of the debt chargeable on the India revenues, to the latest date to which the return can be made out—viz., in England to December 31, 1864, and in India to April 30, 1863. The total Indian debt amounted to £87,017,929, distributed as follows:—Government of India, £76,465,572; Bengal, £2,418,327; North-Western Provinces, £1,086,339; Punjab, £1,043,632; Madras, £2,309,753; and Bombay, £3,694,306. The total debt in England was £28,509,776. This return is exclusive of the charge, under the Act 3rd and 4th of William IV., cap. 85, of the dividend at the rate of £10. 10s. per cent. per annum on £6,000,000 capital stock of the East India Company. There are also contingent liabilities in respect of interest guaranteed Indian railway and other companies, and of repayments to them of capital expended; but no estimate, it is stated in the return, can be formed of these liabilities.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, Feb. 20.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's screw steamship *Delta*, Captain G. J. Babot, sailed to-day for Gibraltar, Malta, and Alexandria, with the Calcutta, China, and Australian mails, a full cargo, and specie, jewelry, &c., value £23,416. 10s.—viz.:—For Madras, bar silver, £10,000; gold thread, watches, and jewelry, £1,385. For Calcutta, coral beads and jewelry, £589. For Penang, dollars, £3,500. For Hong Kong, gold thread, watches, and jewelry, £470. For Yokohama, dollars, £150. For Shanghai, dollars, £4,000; watches, and jewelry, £382. 10s. For King George's Sound, jewelry, £80. For Hobson's Bay, silver coin, £100; jewelry, £2,295. For Sydney, jewelry and watches, £465. The *Delta* takes out 80 first and 23 second-class passengers, and 30 proceed by the corresponding steamer from Marseilles, making a total of 133. Among them are:—Captain Brisley and Lieut. Tullock, for Gibraltar; Captain Herbert and Lieut. Pope, for Malta; the Rev. T. and Mrs. Lawrence and the Rev. F. Soden, for Alexandria; Capt. Kent, for Mauritius; Col. E. A. Foord, Lieut. Easton, Lieut. Louzada, Col. Denison, and Maj. gen. Haines, for Madras; Lieut. H. A. Rooke, Col. and Mrs. Best, Assistant-surgeon Shipton, and the Right Hon. W. M. Massey (who proceeds via Marseilles), for Calcutta; Sub-Lieut. D. M. Smith, R.N., Dr. C. Kimberley, and Col. Knox, C.B., for Hong Kong; Dr. and Mrs. Watson, for Melbourne; Sub-Lieuts. Bolitho, R.N., and Trollope, for Sydney, &c.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 15. Castleton, Nagasaki.—17. Ocean Empress, Manila; Jessie Caffin, Moulmein.—19. President Harbitz, Manila; Great Western, Nagasaki; Revenue, Mauritius; Northumberland, Singapore; Glendoune, Bombay; Princess Royal, Bombay; Shannon, Bombay; Delaware, Kurrachee; Strathmore, Cochin; Hero of the Nile, Ceylon; West, Calcutta; Isabella, Penang; Ellenborough, Calcutta.—21. Zephyr, Batavia.—22. Northern Empire, Bombay; Chaceley, Moulmein.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 16. Mayflower, Calcutta.—17. Evangeline, Calcutta.—19. City of Nippon, Calcutta; Richard Ryland, Bombay.—20. Edwin, Kurrachee.

CASUALTIES.

Singapore, Jan. 7.—The *Eugenie*, hence for Penang, has been wrecked on Free Island; the officers and crew are said to be saved.
Calcutta, Jan. 28.—The City of Benares, burning, has been scuttled.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per French str. Peluse, Feb. 19.—From MARSEILLES.—Mr. Smith, Galle; Mr. E. Cameron, Hong Kong; Mr. Anderson, Calcutta; Mr. H. F. Collingwood, Singapore; Mr. G. Vane, Galle; Miss Wall, Galle; Mr. Jones, Madras; Mr. F. Harvey, Shanghai; Mr. A. Hough, Calcutta; Mr. W. Koenig, Hong Kong; Mr. A. Johnstone, Singapore; Major Smith, Calcutta.

Per Poonah, Feb. 20.—From MARSEILLES to BOMBAY.—Capt. Marett, Miss Prescott, Mrs. R. Pinhey, Capt. J. W. Fitzmaurice, Messrs. A. Brown, A. Mitchell, Crawford and son, Macartney, F. A. Welte, Mrs. Dryman, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Beadle, Lieut. E. Pottinger, Capt. and Mrs. Stevens, Mr. J. R. Grimes, Capt. J. H. Castell, Messrs. E. Bigg and Lind. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. Manby, Mr. and Mrs. Thurburn. For MALTA.—Mr. Wheeler.

Per Overland Route, Feb. 20.—For CALCUTTA.—Mrs. Conolly, Mrs. Farquhar and infant. For HONG KONG from MARSEILLES.—Mr. and Mrs. Trautmann, Mr. A. Milsom. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mrs. and Miss Hobson.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

AMES—The wife of C. H. Ames, Esq., late Madras C.S., of a daughter, at 7, Pulteney-street, Bath, Feb. 19.

BRADLEY—The wife of W. H. Bradley, Esq., Dept. Inspector general of Hospitals, Retired List, Bombay Army, of a daughter, at Spa, Belgium, Feb. 12.

DAVIDSON—The wife of Major J. Davidson, Madras Staff Corps, of a daughter, at 14, Magdalen-road, St. Leonard's-on-sea, Feb. 16.

MARRIAGES.

BERESFORD—Fox.—George de la Poer Beresford, Capt. Madras Staff Corps, to Hester, widow of the late Francis Fox, Esq., at St. James's Church, Feb. 16.

HALE—STATHER.—Joshua M. Hale, son of Jacob H. Hale, Esq., of Montpelier, Bristol, to Ellen C., daughter of Lieut. col. William C. Stather, Retired List, Bombay Army, at Woodchester, near Stroud, Gloucestershire, Feb. 16.

PRITCHETT—FORD.—William M. Pritchett, Lieut. Royal Marine L.I., to Alice Maud, daughter of the late Henry Ford, Esq., of Calcutta, at Sheffield, Feb. 16.

PUCKLE—ELERS.—F. C. Puckle, Esq., Madras Revenue Survey, to Augusta Mary, daughter of W. Elers, Esq., at St. Paul's, Rustall, Tunbridge Wells, Feb. 16.

DEATHS.

BABINGTON—Lieut. Samuel H. Babington, R.N., son of the late Wm. Babington, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at Madeira, aged 35, Jan. 31.

BALLARD—Jane E. T., widow of the late George Ballard, Esq., of Garden Reach, Calcutta, at High Cross, Melrose, N.B., Feb. 17.

BEAUFORT—Charles E., son of Francis L. Beaufort, Esq., of the Bengal Civil Service, at Lancing College, Feb. 16.

FRASER—Frances G., wife of Thomas Fraser, Esq., of 10, Vanbrugh-park, Blackheath, and daughter of the late John Moore, Esq., Calcutta, at Ventnor, Isle of Wight, aged 30, Feb. 19.

HAMILTON—Isabella, youngest child of Colonel G. W. Hamilton, Bengal Army, at 89, Charlotte-square, Edinburgh, aged 8, Feb. 17.

JARDINE—Lieut. Walter Jardine, Indian Navy, at Arkleton, near Langholm, Feb. 18.

JEAFFRESON—William Jeaffreson, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at 21, South Audley-street, aged 66, Feb. 16.

KINGSBURY—Martha, widow of the late Thomas Kingsbury, Esq., at 10, Warrior-square, Hastings, aged 80, Feb. 14.

PATTLE—General William Pattle, C.B., Colonel of the 19th Hussars, at Dawlish, aged 82, Feb. 9.

RIACH—James P. Riach, Esq., K.L.S., late of the H. E. I. Co.'s service, Bombay and Persia, at Edinburgh, Feb. 18.

WILSON—Benjamin Wilson, Esq., late Madras Army, at Edinburgh, aged 89.

WRIGHT—Lieut. George W. P. Wright, R. N. R., and Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co., at Morningside, Edinburgh, aged 84, Feb. 15.

India Office,

February 22, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. Sir G. L. Parker, Bart., Staff Corps; Major D. C. Shute, 19th N.I.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. col. A. R. Fraser, Staff Corps; Lieut. G. Pirrie, 17th N.I.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. col. W. R. Dickinson, Engrs.; Lieut. A. Le Mesurier, Engrs.; Lieut. col. S. Thacker, Staff Corps; Surg. G. F. Brown, Med. Estab.; Lieut. F. Paul, 23rd N.I.; Dep. Insp. gen. of Hospitals R. H. Davidson, Med. Estab.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Lord W. Hay, 6 mo.; Mr. G. G. Morris, 3 mo.; Mr. H. Adams (Uncov.), 6 mo.; Capt. F. P. Molloy (Uncov.), 6 mo.; Mr. F. Motley (Uncov.), 4 mo.

Madras Estab.—Mr. R. R. Cotton, 4 mo.; Mr. H. Wood, 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Mr. H. K. Disney, 6 mo.; Mr. G. W. Cline, 6 mo.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Capt. J. L. Watts, Engrs., 1 mo.; Major C. Brownlow, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Lieut. col. G. N. Oakes, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Major A. Blackwood, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Lieut. A. W. Parker, Inf., 6 mo.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. H. M. May, 32nd N.I., 6 mo.; Capt. J. M. Foote, 29th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. J. W. S. Butler, 17th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. A. J. Howes, 50th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. R. Stewart, 49th N.I., 6 mo.; Major G. Atkinson, 6th N.I., 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. E. G. Sabben, 17th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. J. A. Arbuthnot, Cav., 6 mo.; Lieut. H. C. Moore, Engrs., 6 mo.; Lieut. C. J. Anderson, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Capt. C. A. Collier, Staff Corps, 6 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. H. Morris; Mr. J. B. N. Hennessey (Uncov.); Mr. J. Graham (Uncov.); Mr. R. H. G. Irvine (Uncov.).

Bombay Estab.—Mr. W. Hart; Mr. C. M. Hogg.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. H. A. Rooke, 12th N.I.; Asst. surg. J. R. Jackson, Med. Estab.; Lieut. W. Battye, late 6th Eur. Regt.; Insp. gen. of hospitals J. McClelland, Med. Estab.

Madras Estab.—Surg. maj. H. J. Penny, Med. Estab.; Major E. W. Dun, Staff Corps; Lieut. G. C. Marsh, 28th N.I.; Lieut. col. A. Cooper, 46th N.I.; Lieut. H. F. de Lousada, 51st N.I.; Major L. H. Holland, Staff Corps; Asst. surg. E. E. Lloyd, Med. Estab.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. col. G. S. Anderson, Staff Corps; Capt. R. G. Stevenson, 2nd L.C.; Major H. Shewell, 2nd Eur. Regt.; Capt. M. W. Parker, Staff Corps; Lieut. E. G. Jenkins, 1st L.C.

PERMITTED TO RETIRE.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. col. R. J. Edgell, late 53rd N.I.; Capt. H. F. Bamford, late 38th N.I.; Capt. H. J. Allan, late 9th N.I.

PERMITTED TO RESIGN.

CIVIL.

Madras Estab.—Mr. W. H. Arbuthnot.

SIR ROBERT MONTGOMERY arrived in Calcutta on Tuesday night, Jan. 17, and is the guest of the Viceroy. His Excellency, Sir Hugh Rose, was expected in Calcutta on the 19th. His Honour, the Lieut.-governor of Bengal, has gone to Bhaugulpore, where he is likely to remain till his departure for Europe in March.

crease of commerce and wealth and prosperity we have no need to mention.

"Our one regret is that you must so soon leave us. May the Merciful God convey you home with all peace and safety; may He speedily restore you to us again with increased honour; and may He ever preserve a kindly memory of us in your heart.

"Sardar Shamsheer Singh,
"Newab Ali Reza Khan,
"Dewan Adjoodia Pershad,
"Sardar Lall Singh Kalianwalah.
"Newab Abd-ul-Majid Khan,
"Sardar Bhugwan Singh,
"And 79 others."

To this his Honour was pleased to make the following reply:—

"Sardars and Native Gentlemen,

"I thank you with all my heart for your address.

"I have not done all you attribute to me, but I have done my utmost to further your interests, welfare, and happiness.

"When I came among you fifteen years ago your country was indeed a wilderness, its highways unsafe, its revenues wasted; the anarchy and war following upon the death of Maharaja Ranjit Singh had brought ruin on the country and misery on the people.

"I thank God I have lived to see the desolation of those days changed for prosperity and contentedness.

"But I cannot claim to be the sole author of this great change; it was commenced by my illustrious predecessors, Sir Henry and Sir John Lawrence. I have endeavoured to carry on, with the assistance of other able officers, what they had successfully begun. In so doing we have all been animated with the same feeling—an earnest desire to promote your interests and well-being, and thus to carry out the wishes of our Most Gracious Queen.

"The appointment of honorary magistrates from among the chiefs and gentlemen of the province—to which you allude as one of the measures of my administration—has, I rejoice to say, been attended with great success and satisfaction to all. The election of municipal committees for the government of your cities has been equally so. These measures have been dictated by a policy which I have ever advocated, of associating, as far as possible, the people with the Government, in the business of administration.

"By these means honourable employment has been afforded to a large body of native gentlemen, and their knowledge and influence have been secured for the benefit of the people and the State. But this success is not only attributable to the exertions of your rulers, but to the satisfactory way in which you yourselves have responded to my call.

"The striking improvements in the capitals of Lahore, Amritsar, and other cities—the wonderful progress of female education during the last two years—bear testimony to these results, at once gratifying to me and honourable to yourselves.

"It has been my endeavour to open out your resources by encouraging the construction of roads and the promotion of works of public utility, and to facilitate by these means an increase in your exports and the general improvement in the trade and wealth of the province.

"I now bid you farewell, with my best wishes for your future happiness, in the assurance that your country will continue to advance in its career of prosperity, and that you yourselves will continue to prove, as you have done already, loyal and faithful subjects of her Majesty.

"Your future ruler is one who, like myself, has long lived among you, and your interests could not be left in better hands."

The Durbar then broke up.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.
MEDICAL FUND.

Medical Fund-office, Fort St. George, Jan. 3.—It is notified that annuities from the med. fund have been granted to the following gentlemen, viz.:—

To Dep. Insp. gen. C. J. Smith, a large annuity.
To Surg. maj. J. C. Campbell, ditto.
To ret'd. Surg. J. Colebrook (the established), sick small annuity, in conformity with the affidavit of his inability to reside in India.

Jan. 4.—No. 1.—The undermentioned officer has returned to his duty by permission of the Home Govt., without prejudice to his rank:—

Lieut. col. A. N. Rich, 16th regt. native inf., arrived at Madras on Dec. 30, 1864.

Dec. 21.—Mr. J. R. Daniell, of the Madras C.S., to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of Dharwar.

Jan. 5.—One mo. priv. leave is granted to Mr. B. C. Leggett, dep. coll. in charge of the salt dept., Vizagapatam.

Jan. 6.—Capt. H. L. Grove, sen. asst. to the agent to the gov. of Fort St. George, in Vizagapatam, is invested with the full powers of a mag., and also with power to hear and dispose of appeals from the decisions of the subord. mags. of the 2nd class stationed in the div. under his charge.

No. 5.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following promotion, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Brev. capt. E. L. M. Evans, cadre 51st regt. N.I., to be major from Jan. 3.

The undermen. officer has returned to his duty by permission of the Home Govt., without prejudice to his rank:—

Surg. A. A. Renton, M.D., medical dept.; arrived at Madras on Dec. 30.

The undermen. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe:—

Lieut. G. Pirrie, of 17th regt. N.I., actg. qrmr. and interp., 38th regt. N.I., on furl. for 8 months, without pay, under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Bombay.

Lieut. G. P. Wood, of infantry general list, doing duty with 34th regt. L.I., is permitted, at his own request, to resign the service from Jan. 10, subject to H.M.'s approval.

No. 7.—Madras Staff Corps.—Capt. (brev. maj.) H. I. Bett, having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from Jan. 5, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Leave of absence:—

Mr. J. Ratliff, civil and session judge of Nundial, for six mo., to proceed to Eur. on urgent private affairs, under sec. ix. of the revised covenanted C.S. absentee rules.

Mr. F. B. Molony, sub coll. of Cuddapah, for three yrs., to proceed to Eur. on furl. under sec. i. of the revised covenanted C.S. absentee rules, with prep. leave for 14 days, under sec. iii. of those rules.

Admitted to the service:—

Mr. W. P. Austin is admitted as a member of the Madras C.S. from the 28th ult., the date of his arrival at the presidency per ship *Lord Warden*.

The undermen. gent. are admitted as members of the Madras C.S., from the dates specified opposite their respective names:—

Mr. R. Rice, 28th Dec., 1864, per ship *Lord Warden*.

Mr. L. A. Campbell, 30th Dec., 1864, per str. *Golconda*.

Mr. H. B. Grigg, 8th Jan., 1865, per str. *Simla*.

Mr. W. Elliot, civil and session judge of Guntoor, is permitted to resign the serv. from the 24th inst., and is admitted to an annuity from that date.

Fort St. George, Jan. 10.—Mr. C. N. Pochin to act as coll. and mag. of Salem during the absence of the Hon. D. Arbuthnot on leave.

Mr. L. Forbes to act as civil and sess. judge of Nundial during the absence of Mr. Ratliff on leave.

Mr. J. R. Cockerell to act as sub coll. and jt. mag. of the Madras district during the employment of Mr. G. Banbury on other duty.

To take effect from the 25th inst.

Mr. W. Hodgson to be civil and sess. judge of Guntoor.

Mr. H. Morris to be sub coll. and jt. mag. of Nellore.

Mr. C. N. Pochin to be sub coll. and jt. mag. of Tanjore, but to continue to act as coll. and mag. of Salem during the absence of the Hon. D. Arbuthnot on leave.

Mr. A. MacGregor to act as sub coll. and jt. mag. of Tinnevely during the absence of Mr. H. M. S. Græme on leave.

To take effect from the 1st proximo.

Mr. C. R. Pelly to be civil and session judge of Nellore.

Mr. J. D. Goldingham to act as civil and sess. judge of Madura, during the absence of Mr. R. R. Cotton on leave.

Mr. F. C. Carr to be judge of the Court of Small Causes at Cuddalore.

Mr. A. Wedderburn to be coll. and mag. of Tinnevely.

Mr. G. Banbury to act as coll. and mag. of Tinnevely during the absence of Mr. A. Wedderburn on leave.

Mr. H. G. Smith to be coll. and mag. of Cuddapah. Mr. E. B. Foord to be civil and sess. judge of Bellary, but to continue to act as coll. mag., and agent to the Governor of Fort St. George in Ganjam, during the absence of Mr. G. S. Forbes on leave.

Mr. L. Forbes to be sub coll. and joint mag. of Bellary, but to continue to act as civil and sess. judge of Nundial, during the absence of Mr. J. Ratliff on leave.

To take effect from the date of Mr. Molony's departure.

Mr. W. D. Horsley, to be sub coll. and joint mag. of Cuddapah.

Mr. J. R. Arbuthnot, to act as sub coll. and joint mag. of the Kistna dist., during the employment of Mr. T. A. N. Chase on other duty, or until further orders.

Mr. E. F. Webster, to be head asst. to the coll. and mag. of the Kistna dist., but to continue to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Cuddapah, during the employment of Mr. McQuhae on other duty, or until further orders.

Mr. F. Brandt to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kurnool, during the employment of Mr. J. R. Arbuthnot on other duty, or until further orders.

Surg. maj. J. K. Ogilvie, M.D., 30th regt., and Surg. H. R. Oswald, M.D., 8th regt. N.I., are perm. to exchange appts.

Posting.—Garrison Surg. C. W. Pickering to Cannanore.

Lieut. col. C. R. Stainforth, from late promotion, to 1st regt. L.C., on duty at the public expense.

Maj. J. C. Day, staff corps, doing duty 26th regt. N.I., is appt. to do duty under orders of the officer comdg. Mysore div.

Leave of absence:—

General Staff.—Brig. gen. D. Babington, comdg. Malabar and Canara, from Jan. 1, or date of quitting the limits of his command—Priv. leave for 60 days.

22nd Regt. N.I.—Lieut. T. O. Underwood, doing duty sappers and miners, from Jan. 4—Priv. leave for 60 days, Bombay.

European Veterans.—Capt. S. Prendergast, in charge of pensioners and holders of family certificates at Guntoor and Condapilly, for 6 mo., from date of departure, Madras.

Lieut. G. Pirrie, of the 17th regt. N.I., acting qrmr. and interpreter 38th regt. N.I.—On furl. for 8 mo., without pay, under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Bombay.

Capt. C. D. Waddell, of the Royal (Madras) art., and 2nd class comy. of ordnance, Pegu div., is perm. to go to Europe on m.c., for 20 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

No. 11.—Asst. surg. G. Williamson, M.D., of the 12th regt. N.I., is permitted to proceed to Australia on furl. for 1 year without pay, under the furl. regs. of 1864.

The undermen. officers having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provision of para. 2 of G.O.G. No. 531 of 1864, republished in Madras G.O.G. July 22, 1864, No. 276, are admitted thereto from the date specified against their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. A. Y. Booking, 20th regt. N.I., qrmr. of his regt., date of admission Dec. 4, 1863.

Lieut. W. O. Foord, 20th regt. N.I., adj. of his regt., date of admission Sept. 28, 1864.

Lieut. E. H. Eyre, 38th regt. N.I., adj. of his regt., Dec. 10, 1864.

Returned to duty:—

Lieut. col. A. N. Rich, 16th regt. N.I.; arrived at Madras Dec. 30.

Surg. A. A. Renton, M.D., med. dept.; arrived at Madras Dec. 30.

Furlough to Europe:—

Lieut. col. A. R. Fraser, Madras staff corps, and paymr., Hyderabad subsidiary force, for 20 mo.

Lieut. F. W. Buller, gen. list, Madras army, attached to 2nd regt. Madras L.C., for 18 mo.

No. 5.—Promotion, subject to her Majesty's approval:—

Brevet.—Capt. E. L. M. Evans, cadre 51st regt. N.I., to be major from Jan. 3, 1865.

No. 7.—Madras Staff Corps.—Capt. (brevet major) H. I. Bett having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from Jan. 5, 1865, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to her Majesty's approval.

Lieut. G. P. Wood, inf. gen. list, doing duty with 34th regt. L.I., is permitted, at his own request, to resign the service from Jan. 10, 1865, subject to her Majesty's approval.

The Chairman said the town was now progressing very fast, and this progress had received an impetus through the cyclone which visited Calcutta, for those visitations were felt less at Canningtown than they were at Calcutta, as the force of the waves was lost before they reached the Mutlah. The increase in importance of this town would benefit the company's property.

A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the proceedings.

MISCELLANEOUS.

AGRA AND MASTERMAN'S BANK.—The directors of the Agra and Masterman's Bank have declared a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum for the half-year ended the 31st of December, with a bonus of £3 per share, together equal to 22 per cent. per annum, making, with the previous distribution 20 per cent. for the year 1864, at which rate a dividend and bonus on the new shares will be paid.

CHINA STEAMSHIP AND LABUAN COAL COMPANY.—An amended prospectus has been issued of the China Steamship and Labuan Coal Company, increasing the nominal capital to £540,000, by an addition of 3,000 shares of £20 each, but reducing the amount to be paid up from £5 to £4.

THE INDIAN DEBT.—Yesterday was printed a return from the India-office of the debt chargeable on the India revenues, to the latest date to which the return can be made out—viz., in England to December 31, 1864, and in India to April 30, 1863. The total Indian debt amounted to £87,017,929, distributed as follows:—Government of India, £76,465,572; Bengal, £2,418,327; North-Western Provinces, £1,086,339; Punjab, £1,043,632; Madras, £2,309,753; and Bombay, £3,694,306. The total debt in England was £28,509,776. This return is exclusive of the charge, under the Act 3rd and 4th of William IV., cap. 85, of the dividend at the rate of £10. 10s. per cent. per annum on £6,000,000 capital stock of the East India Company. There are also contingent liabilities in respect of interest guaranteed Indian railway and other companies, and of repayments to them of capital expended; but no estimate, it is stated in the return, can be formed of these liabilities.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, Feb. 20.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's screw steamship *Delta*, Captain G. J. Babot, sailed to-day for Gibraltar, Malta, and Alexandria, with the Calcutta, China, and Australian mails, a full cargo, and specie, jewelry, &c., value £23,416. 10s.—viz.:—For Madras, bar silver, £10,000; gold thread, watches, and jewelry, £1,385. For Calcutta, coral beads and jewelry, £589. For Penang, dollars, £3,500. For Hong Kong, gold thread, watches, and jewelry, £470. For Yokohama, dollars, £150. For Shanghai, dollars, £4,000; watches, and jewelry, £382. 10s. For King George's Sound, jewelry, £80. For Hobson's Bay, silver coin, £100; jewelry, £2,295. For Sydney, jewelry and watches, £465. The *Delta* takes out 80 first and 23 second-class passengers, and 30 proceed by the corresponding steamer from Marseilles, making a total of 133. Among them are:—Captain Brisley and Lieut. Tullock, for Gibraltar; Captain Herbert and Lieut. Pope, for Malta; the Rev. T. and Mrs. Lawrence and the Rev. F. Soden, for Alexandria; Capt. Kent, for Mauritius; Col. E. A. Ford, Lieut. Easton, Lieut. Lousada, Col. Denison, and Maj. gen. Haines, for Madras; Lieut. H. A. Rooke, Col. and Mrs. Best, Assistant-surgeon Shipton, and the Right Hon. W. M. Massey (who proceeds via Marseilles), for Calcutta; Sub-Lieut. D. M. Smith, R.N., Dr. C. Wimberley, and Col. Knox, C.B., for Hong Kong; Dr. and Mrs. Watson, for Melbourne; Sub-Lieuts. Bolitho, R.N., and Trollope, for Sydney, &c.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 15. Castleton, Nagasaki.—17. Ocean Empress, Manila; Jessie Caffu, Moulmein.—19. President Hurbitz, Manila; Great Western, Nagasaki; Revenue, Mauritius; Northumberland, Singapore; Glendon, Bombay; Princess Royal, Bombay; Shannon, Bombay; Delaware, Kurrachee; Strathmore, Ceylon; Hero of the Nile, Ceylon; West, Calcutta; Isabella, Penang; Ellenborough, Calcutta.—21. Zephyr, Batavia.—22. Northern Empire, Bombay; Chascey, Moulmein.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 16. Mayflower, Calcutta.—17. Evangeline, Calcutta.—19. City of Ningpo, Calcutta; Richard Ryland, Bombay.—20. Edwin, Kurrachee.

CASUALTIES.

Singapore, Jan. 7.—The *Eugenie*, hence for Penang, has been wrecked on Free Island; the officers and crew are said to be saved.
Calcutta, Jan. 28.—The *City of Benares*, burning, has been scuttled.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per French str. *Peluse*, Feb. 19.—From Marseilles.—Mr. Smith, Galle; Mr. E. Cameron, Hong Kong; Mr. Anderson, Calcutta; Mr. H. F. Collinwood, Singapore; Mr. G. Vane, Galle; Miss Wall, Galle; Mr. Jones, Madras; Mr. F. Harvey, Shanghai; Mr. A. Hough, Calcutta; Mr. W. Koenig, Hong Kong; Mr. A. Johnstone, Singapore; Major Smith, Calcutta.

Per Poona, Feb. 20.—From Marseilles to Bombay.—Capt. Maret, Miss Prescott, Mrs. R. Pinney, Capt. J. W. Fitzmaurice, Messrs. A. Brown, A. Mitchell, Crawford and son, Macartney, F. A. Welte, Mrs. Dryman, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Beadle, Lieut. E. Pettinger, Capt. and Mrs. Stevens, Mr. J. R. Grimes, Capt. J. H. Castell, Messrs. E. Bigg and Lind. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. Manby, Mr. and Mrs. Thurburn. For MALTA.—Mr. Wheeler.

Per Overland Route, Feb. 20.—For CALCUTTA.—Mrs. Conolly, Mrs. Farquhar and infant. For HONG KONG from Marseilles.—Mr. and Mrs. Trammann, Mr. A. Milson. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mrs. and Miss Hobson.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

AMES.—The wife of C. H. Ames, Esq., late Madras C.S., of a daughter, at 7, Pulteney-street, Bath, Feb. 19.

BRADLEY.—The wife of W. H. Bradley, Esq., Dept. Inspector general of Hospitals, Retired List, Bombay Army, of a daughter, at Spa, Belgium, Feb. 12.

DAVIDSON.—The wife of Major J. Davidson, Madras Staff Corps, of a daughter, at 14, Magdalen-road, St. Leonard's-on-sea, Feb. 16.

MARRIAGES.

BERESFORD.—Fox.—George de la Poer Beresford, Capt. Madras Staff Corps, to Hester, widow of the late Francis Fox, Esq., at St. James's Church, Feb. 16.

HALE.—STATHER.—Joshua M. Hale, son of Jacob H. Hale, Esq., of Montpelier, Bristol, to Ellen C., daughter of Lieut. col. William C. Stather, Retired List, Bombay Army, at Woodchester, near Stroud, Gloucestershire, Feb. 16.

PRITCHETT.—FORD.—William M. Pritchett, Lieut. Royal Marine L.I., to Alice Maud, daughter of the late Henry Ford, Esq., of Calcutta, at Sheffield, Feb. 16.

PUCKLE.—ELERS.—F. C. Puckle, Esq., Madras Revenue Survey, to Augusta Mary, daughter of W. Elers, Esq., at St. Paul's, Rustall, Tunbridge Wells, Feb. 16.

DEATHS.

BABINGTON.—Lieut. Samuel H. Babington, R.N., son of the late Wm. Babington, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at Madeira, aged 35, Jan. 31.

BALLARD.—Jane E. T., widow of the late George Ballard, Esq., of Garden Reach, Calcutta, at High Cross, Melrose, N.B., Feb. 17.

BEAUFORT.—Charles E., son of Francis L. Beaufort, Esq., of the Bengal Civil Service, at Lancing College, Feb. 16.

FRASER.—Frances G., wife of Thomas Fraser, Esq., of 10, Vanbrugh-park, Blackheath, and daughter of the late John Moore, Esq., Calcutta, at Ventnor, Isle of Wight, aged 30, Feb. 19.

HAMILTON.—Isabella, youngest child of Colonel G. W. Hamilton, Bengal Army, at 89, Charlotte-square, Edinburgh, aged 8, Feb. 17.

JARDINE.—Lieut. Walter Jardine, Indian Navy, at Arkleton, near Langholm, Feb. 18.

JEAFFRESON.—William Jeaffreson, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at 21, South Audley-street, aged 66, Feb. 16.

KINGSBURY.—Martha, widow of the late Thomas Kingsbury, Esq., at 10, Warrior-square, Hastings, aged 80, Feb. 14.

PATTLE.—General William Pattle, C.B., Colonel of the 19th Hussars, at Dawlish, aged 82, Feb. 9.
RIACH.—James P. Riach, Esq., K.L.S., late of the H. E. I. Co.'s service, Bombay and Persia, at Edinburgh, Feb. 18.
WILSON.—Benjamin Wilson, Esq., late Madras Army, at Edinburgh, aged 89.
WRIGHT.—Lieut. George W. P. Wright, R. N. R., and Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co., at Morningside, Edinburgh, aged 84, Feb. 15.

India Office,

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MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. Sir G. L. Parker, Bart., Staff Corps; Major D. C. Shute, 19th N.I.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. col. A. R. Fraser, Staff Corps; Lieut. G. Pirrie, 17th N.I.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. col. W. R. Dickinson, Engrs.; Lieut. A. Le Mesurier, Engrs.; Lieut. col. S. Thacker, Staff Corps; Surg. G. F. Brown, Med. Estab.; Lieut. F. Paul, 23rd N.I.; Dep. Insp. gen. of Hospitals R. H. Davidson, Med. Estab.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Lord W. Hay, 6 mo.; Mr. G. G. Morris, 3 mo.; Mr. H. Adams (Uncov.), 6 mo.; Capt. F. P. Molloy (Uncov.), 6 mo.; Mr. F. Motley (Uncov.), 4 mo.

Madras Estab.—Mr. R. R. Cotton, 4 mo.; Mr. H. Wood, 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Mr. H. K. Disney, 6 mo.; Mr. G. W. Cline, 6 mo.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Capt. J. L. Watts, Engrs., 1 mo.; Major C. Brownlow, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Lieut. col. G. N. Oakes, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Major A. Blackwood, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Lieut. A. W. Parker, Inf., 6 mo.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. H. M. May, 32nd N.I., 6 mo.; Capt. J. M. Foote, 29th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. J. W. S. Butler, 17th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. A. J. Howes, 50th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. R. Stewart, 49th N.I., 6 mo.; Major G. Atkinson, 6th N.I., 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. E. G. Sabben, 17th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. J. A. Arbuthnot, Cav., 6 mo.; Lieut. H. C. Moore, Engrs., 6 mo.; Lieut. C. J. Anderson, Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Capt. C. A. Collier, Staff Corps, 6 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. H. Morris; Mr. J. B. N. Hennessy (Uncov.); Mr. J. Graham (Uncov.); Mr. R. H. G. Irvine (Uncov.).

Bombay Estab.—Mr. W. Hart; Mr. C. M. Hogg.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. H. A. Rooke, 12th N.I.; Asst. surg. J. R. Jackson, Med. Estab.; Lieut. W. Battye, late 6th Eur. Regt.; Insp. gen. of hospitals J. McClelland, Med. Estab.

Madras Estab.—Surg. maj. H. J. Penny, Med. Estab.; Major E. W. Dun, Staff Corps; Lieut. G. C. Marsh, 28th N.I.; Lieut. col. A. Cooper, 46th N.I.; Lieut. H. F. de Lousada, 51st N.I.; Major L. H. Holland, Staff Corps; Asst. surg. E. E. Lloyd, Med. Estab.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. col. G. S. Anderson, Staff Corps; Capt. R. G. Stevenson, 2nd L.C.; Major H. Shewell, 2nd Eur. Regt.; Capt. M. W. Parker, Staff Corps; Lieut. E. G. Jenkins, 1st L.C.

PERMITTED TO RETIRE.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. col. R. J. Edgell, late 53rd N.I.; Capt. H. F. Bamford, late 38th N.I.; Capt. H. J. Allan, late 9th N.I.

PERMITTED TO RESIGN.

CIVIL.

Madras Estab.—Mr. W. H. Arbuthnot.

SIR ROBERT MONTGOMERY arrived in Calcutta on Tuesday night, Jan. 17, and is the guest of the Viceroy. His Excellency, Sir Hugh Rose, was expected in Calcutta on the 19th. His Honour, the Lieut.-governor of Bengal, has gone to Bhaugulpore, where he is likely to remain till his departure for Europe in March.

crease of commerce and wealth and prosperity we have no need to mention.

"Our one regret is that you must so soon leave us. May the Merciful God convey you home with all peace and safety; may He speedily restore you to us again with increased honour; and may He ever preserve a kindly memory of us in your heart.

"Sardar Shamsheer Singh,
"Newab Ali Reza Khan,
"Dewan Adjoodia Pershad,
"Sardar Lall Singh Kalianwalah.
"Newab Abd-ul-Majid Khan,
"Sardar Bhugwan Singh,
"And 79 others."

To this his Honour was pleased to make the following reply:—

"Sardars and Native Gentlemen,

"I thank you with all my heart for your address.

"I have not done all you attribute to me, but I have done my utmost to further your interests, welfare, and happiness.

"When I came among you fifteen years ago your country was indeed a wilderness, its highways unsafe, its revenues wasted; the anarchy and war following upon the death of Maharaja Ranjit Singh had brought ruin on the country and misery on the people.

"I thank God I have lived to see the desolation of those days changed for prosperity and contentedness.

"But I cannot claim to be the sole author of this great change; it was commenced by my illustrious predecessors, Sir Henry and Sir John Lawrence. I have endeavoured to carry on, with the assistance of other able officers, what they had successfully begun. In so doing we have all been animated with the same feeling—an earnest desire to promote your interests and well-being, and thus to carry out the wishes of our Most Gracious Queen.

"The appointment of honorary magistrates from among the chiefs and gentlemen of the province—to which you allude as one of the measures of my administration—has, I rejoice to say, been attended with great success and satisfaction to all. The election of municipal committees for the government of your cities has been equally so. These measures have been dictated by a policy which I have ever advocated, of associating, as far as possible, the people with the Government, in the business of administration.

"By these means honourable employment has been afforded to a large body of native gentlemen, and their knowledge and influence have been secured for the benefit of the people and the State. But this success is not only attributable to the exertions of your rulers, but to the satisfactory way in which you yourselves have responded to my call.

"The striking improvements in the capitals of Lahore, Amritsar, and other cities—the wonderful progress of female education during the last two years—bear testimony to these results, at once gratifying to me and honourable to yourselves.

"It has been my endeavour to open out your resources by encouraging the construction of roads and the promotion of works of public utility, and to facilitate by these means an increase in your exports and the general improvement in the trade and wealth of the province.

"I now bid you farewell, with my best wishes for your future happiness, in the assurance that your country will continue to advance in its career of prosperity, and that you yourselves will continue to prove, as you have done already, loyal and faithful subjects of her Majesty.

"Your future ruler is one who, like myself, has long lived among you, and your interests could not be left in better hands."

The Durbar then broke up.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL. MEDICAL FUND.

Medical Fund-office, Fort St. George, Jan. 3.—It is notified that annuities from the med. fund have been granted to the following gentlemen, viz.:—

To Dep. Insp. gen. C. J. Smith, a large annuity.

To Surg. maj. J. C. Campbell, ditto.

To ret'd. Surg. J. Colebrook (the established), sick small annuity, in conformity with the affidavit of his inability to reside in India.

Jan. 4.—No. 1.—The undermentioned officer has returned to his duty by permission of the Home Govt., without prejudice to his rank:—

Lieut. col. A. N. Rich, 16th regt. native inf., arrived at Madras on Dec. 30, 1864.

Dec. 21.—Mr. J. R. Daniell, of the Madras C.S., to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of Dharwar.

Jan. 5.—One mo. priv. leave is granted to Mr. B. C. Leggett, dep. coll. in charge of the salt dept., Vizagapatam.

Jan. 6.—Capt. H. L. Grove, sen. asst. to the agent to the gov. of Fort St. George, in Vizagapatam, is invested with the full powers of a mag., and also with power to hear and dispose of appeals from the decisions of the subord. mags. of the 2nd class stationed in the div. under his charge.

No. 5.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following promotion, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Brev. capt. E. L. M. Evans, cadre 51st regt. N.I., to be major from Jan. 3.

The undermen. officer has returned to his duty by permission of the Home Govt., without prejudice to his rank:—

Surg. A. A. Renton, M.D., medical dept.; arrived at Madras on Dec. 30.

The undermen. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe:—

Lieut. G. Pirrie, of 17th regt. N.I., actg. qrmr. and interp., 38th regt. N.I., on furl. for 8 months, without pay, under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Bombay.

Lieut. G. P. Wood, of infantry general list, doing duty with 34th regt. L.I., is permitted, at his own request, to resign the service from Jan. 10, subject to H.M.'s approval.

No. 7.—Madras Staff Corps.—Capt. (brev. maj.) H. I. Bett, having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from Jan. 5, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Leave of absence:—

Mr. J. Ratliff, civil and session judge of Nundial, for six mo., to proceed to Eur. on urgent private affairs, under sec. ix. of the revised covenanted C.S. absentee rules.

Mr. F. B. Molony, sub coll. of Cuddapah, for three yrs., to proceed to Eur. on furl., under sec. i. of the revised covenanted C.S. absentee rules, with prep. leave for 14 days, under sec. iii. of those rules.

Admitted to the service:—

Mr. W. P. Austin is admitted as a member of the Madras C.S. from the 28th ult., the date of his arrival at the presidency per ship *Lord Warden*.

The undermen. gent. are admitted as members of the Madras C.S., from the dates specified opposite their respective names:—

Mr. R. Rice, 28th Dec., 1864, per ship *Lord Warden*.

Mr. L. A. Campbell, 30th Dec., 1864, per str. *Golconda*.

Mr. H. B. Grigg, 8th Jan., 1865, per str. *Simla*.

Mr. W. Elliot, civil and session judge of Guntur, is permitted to resign the serv. from the 24th inst., and is admitted to an annuity from that date.

Fort St. George, Jan. 10.—Mr. C. N. Pochin to act as coll. and mag. of Salem during the absence of the Hon. D. Arbuthnot on leave.

Mr. L. Forbes to act as civil and sess. judge of Nundial during the absence of Mr. Ratliff on leave.

Mr. J. R. Cockerell to act as sub coll. and jt. mag. of the Madras district during the employment of Mr. G. Banbury on other duty.

To take effect from the 25th inst.

Mr. W. Hodgson to be civil and sess. judge of Guntur.

Mr. H. Morris to be sub coll. and jt. mag. of Nellore.

Mr. C. N. Pochin to be sub coll. and jt. mag. of Tanjore, but to continue to act as coll. and mag. of Salem during the absence of the Hon. D. Arbuthnot on leave.

Mr. A. MacGregor to act as sub coll. and jt. mag. of Tinnevely during the absence of Mr. H. M. S. Græme on leave.

To take effect from the 1st proximo.

Mr. C. R. Pelly to be civil and session judge of Nellore.

Mr. J. D. Goldingham to act as civil and sess. judge of Madura, during the absence of Mr. R. R. Cotton on leave.

Mr. F. C. Carr to be judge of the Court of Small Causes at Cuddalore.

Mr. A. Wedderburn to be coll. and mag. of Tinnevely.

Mr. G. Banbury to act as coll. and mag. of Tinnevely during the absence of Mr. A. Wedderburn on leave.

Mr. H. G. Smith to be coll. and mag. of Cuddapah. Mr. E. B. Foord to be civil and sess. judge of Bellary, but to continue to act as coll., mag., and agent to the Governor of Fort St. George in Ganjam, during the absence of Mr. G. S. Forbes on leave.

Mr. L. Forbes to be sub coll. and joint mag. of Bellary, but to continue to act as civil and sess. judge of Nundial, during the absence of Mr. J. Ratliff on leave.

To take effect from the date of Mr. Molony's departure.

Mr. W. D. Horsley, to be sub coll. and joint mag. of Cuddapah.

Mr. J. R. Arbuthnot, to act as sub coll. and joint mag. of the Kistna dist., during the employment of Mr. T. A. N. Chase on other duty, or until further orders.

Mr. E. F. Webster, to be head asst. to the coll. and mag. of the Kistna dist., but to continue to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Cuddapah, during the employment of Mr. McQuhae on other duty, or until further orders.

Mr. F. Brandt to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kurnool, during the employment of Mr. J. R. Arbuthnot on other duty, or until further orders.

Surg. maj. J. K. Ogilvie, M.D., 30th regt., and Surg. H. R. Oswald, M.D., 8th regt. N.I., are perm. to exchange appts.

Posting.—Garrison Surg. C. W. Pickering to Cannanore.

Lieut. col. C. R. Stainforth, from late promotion, to 1st regt. L.C., on duty at the public expense.

Maj. J. C. Day, staff corps, doing duty 26th regt. N.I., is apptd. to do duty under orders of the officer comdg. Mysore div.

Leave of absence:—

General Staff.—Brig. gen. D. Babington, comdg. Malabar and Canara, from Jan. 1, or date of quitting the limits of his command—Priv. leave for 60 days.

22nd Regt. N.I.—Lieut. T. O. Underwood, doing duty sappers and miners, from Jan. 4—Priv. leave for 60 days, Bombay.

European Veterans.—Capt. S. Prendergast, in charge of pensioners and holders of family certificates at Guntur and Condapilly, for 6 mo., from date of departure, Madras.

Lieut. G. Pirrie, of the 17th regt. N.I., acting qrmr. and interpreter 38th regt. N.I.—On furl. for 8 mo., without pay, under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Bombay.

Capt. C. D. Waddell, of the Royal (Madras) art., and 2nd class comy. of ordnance, Pegu div., is perm. to go to Europe on m.c., for 20 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

No. 11.—Asst. surg. G. Williamson, M.D., of the 12th regt. N.I., is permitted to proceed to Australia on furl. for 1 year without pay, under the furl. regs. of 1864.

The undermen. officers having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provision of para. 2 of G.O.G. No. 531 of 1864, republished in Madras G.O.G. July 22, 1864, No. 276, are admitted thereto from the date specified against their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. A. Y. Booking, 20th regt. N.I., qrmr. of his regt., date of admission Dec. 4, 1863.

Lieut. W. O. Foord, 20th regt. N.I., adj. of his regt., date of admission Sept. 28, 1864.

Lieut. E. H. Eyre, 38th regt. N.I., adj. of his regt., Dec. 10, 1864.

Returned to duty:—

Lieut. col. A. N. Rich, 16th regt. N.I.; arrived at Madras Dec. 30.

Surg. A. A. Renton, M.D., med. dept.; arrived at Madras Dec. 30.

Furlough to Europe:—

Lieut. col. A. R. Fraser, Madras staff corps, and paymr., Hyderabad subsidiary force, for 20 mo.

Lieut. F. W. Buller, gen. list, Madras army, attached to 2nd regt. Madras L.C., for 18 mo.

No. 5.—Promotion, subject to her Majesty's approval:—

Brevet.—Capt. E. L. M. Evans, cadre 51st regt. N.I., to be major from Jan. 3, 1865.

No. 7.—Madras Staff Corps.—Capt. (brevet major) H. I. Bett having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from Jan. 5, 1865, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to her Majesty's approval.

Lieut. G. P. Wood, inf. gen. list, doing duty with 34th regt. L.I., is permitted, at his own request, to resign the service from Jan. 10, 1865, subject to her Majesty's approval.

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Bombay Castle, Jan. 18.—The following letter from the Govt. of India is published for general information:—

No. 7,012.

From A. Colvin, Esq., Offic. Under Secy. to the Govt of India, to E. W. Ravenscroft, Esq., Offic. Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bombay.

Dated Fort William, Dec. 30.

Home Department.

Sir,—In reply to your letter, No. 4,924, dated the 12th inst., I am directed to inform you that a young civilian will be entitled to priv. leave 11 mo. after he joins his first app.—I have the honour to be, &c.,

(Signed) A. COLVIN,

Offic. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

By order, E. W. RAVENSCROFT,
Offic. Chief Secy. to Govt.

Jan. 11.—No. 28.—Surg. maj. T. B. Johnstone, M.D., is app. secy. to the principal insp. gen. med. dept. from the date of the departure of Surg. Coles, on m.c., to Eur.

Jan. 12.—No. 29.—Surg. J. G. Fraser, civil surg., Ahmednuggur has a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo., on m.c.

No. 30.—Lieut. W. L. P. Drummond, Bengal staff corps, 2nd squadron officer H.M.'s 11th Bengal cav. (lancers), is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo., on m.c.

No. 31.—Asst. surg. J. T. J. Doyle, of the Madras med. estab., in med. charge 1st regt. inf., Hyderabad contingent, is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo., on m.c., with permission to proceed via the Cape of Good Hope.

No. 32.—Capt. R. Cox, H.M.'s 38th regt. Madras N.I., is perm. to proceed to Australia, with leave of abs. for 20 mo., on m.c.

Jan. 17.—No. 40.—The following promotion is made, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Medical Dept.—Asst. surg. A. V. Ward to be surg., from Oct. 12, v. Wilson, ret.

No. 41.—The following adjustment of rank and prom. are made, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

2nd Regt. N.I. (Grenadiers.)

Adjustment of Rank.—Capt. C. R. Blair, to take rank from July 18, v. Newall (staff corps), ret.

Promotion.—Lieut. S. De B. Edwards (lieut. in the staff corps), to have the position of capt., from Aug. 23, v. Graham, transf. to the invalid estab.

Jan. 18.—Mr. G. T. Gierzen, superint. of police at Dharwar, is allowed leave of absence to England for 6 mo., on private affairs, under section XII. clause 1, of the Revised Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules, from April 14 next, with prep. leave from April 1 to 13.

The Hon. M. R. Westropp, judge of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, is allowed 3 mo. priv. leave of absence, under para. 9 of the Revised Rules relating to leave of absence to the hon. the judges of the High Court.

Jan. 13.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to direct the cotton insp. for Belgaum and Dharwar, and the cotton insp. for Ahmednuggur, Sholapur, and Sattara, to exercise the functions of cotton insps. in the Kulludghee and Poona collectorates respectively, in addition to their present charges.

Jan. 17.—Mr. G. F. Sheppard, 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Khandeish, is allowed prep. leave for 13 days instead of 10 days granted to him by Govt. notification of Nov. 2.

Jan. 18.—Mr. S. Mansfield, comsr. in Sind, was on duty from Nov. 25 to Dec. 2.

Mr. J. Gibbs, C.S., returned to Bombay, on the 15th inst., from the furl. to Europe, granted to him Dec. 11, 1861.

Dr. F. S. Stedman assumed charge of the duties of professor of medicine in the Grant Medical College on the 13th inst.

The Hon. the Governor in Council has been pleased to reappoint Mr. E. I. Howard to the office of director of public instruction from Dec. 27 last, the date on which he assumed charge of the office on his return from England.

Capt. T. Waddington acted as director of public instruction from 14th to 26th Dec. last.

Rev. C. H. L. Lye is app. archdeacon and comsy., with effect from Dec. 22 last, v. Rev. M. J. T. Boys, retired.

Lieut. W. Merriman, R.E., is app. act. dep. consulting engineer, railway dept., v. Lieut. A. LeMessurier.

Camp Oomercote, Jan. 6.—Mr. H. Watson, supernu. dep. magistrate, is authorised to exercise powers of a 1st class subord. magistrate, according to Act. 25 of 1861.

Bombay Castle, Jan. 20.—No. 42.—The services of Lieut. Tyndall, staff corps, are replaced at disposal of H.E. the C. in C.

Jan. 23.—No. 44.—Capt. H. St. C. Wilkins, royal engrs., has furlough for 2 years from Feb. 1 next, under new furlough regulations.

Mr. W. H. Maber is app. an asst. to the col. and mag. of Tanna.

Jan. 24.—Mr. S. W. Tyndall, dep. col. and mag. of the Shikarpoor collectorate, is allowed sick leave for 1 mo., under sec. 11 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

Mr. G. Blackwell, act. 4th class asst. com. of customs, salt, and opium, is permitted to resign the serv. from Feb. 1.

Mr. A. Shuttleworth, asst. conservator of forests, Belgaum, was on sick leave from Nov. 17 to Dec. 15, under sec. 11 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

Jan. 25.—The furl. to Eur. for 3 years granted to Mr. E. P. Robertson, act. col. and mag. of Kaira, under date Nov. 14, is to commence from Feb. 14, instead of from March 14.

Mr. E. P. Robertson is also allowed prep. leave for 12 days for 2nd prox.

Mr. J. W. Robertson to act as col. and mag. of Kaira.

Lieut. Rutherford, supy. asst. revenue survey, Southern Maratha Country, has been prom. to the grade of asst. supt. revenue survey, Southern Maratha Country, from Jan. 1.

Lieut. col. W. H. R. Green, C.B., pol. supt. and comdt. in Sind, acted as comr. in Sind from Oct. 25 to Nov. 24, both days inclusive.

Mr. J. R. Daniell to be 3rd asst. to the col. and mag. of Kulladghee.

Appointments:—

Mr. H. Showell to be asst. com. of customs, salt, and opium of the 2nd class, vice Mr. Ramchundra Balerustna.

Mr. E. Pratt to offic. on full salary as asst. com. of customs, salt, and opium of the 2nd class, vice Mr. Faulkner, employed in the income-tax dept.

Mr. H. L. Wright to be asst. com. of customs, salt, and opium of the 3rd class, vice Mr. Showell.

Mr. N. A. Joshee, offic. asst. com. of customs, salt, and opium of the 4th class, is confirmed in that appt., vice Mr. Wright.

Mr. A. G. Maury to offic. on full salary as asst. com. of customs, salt, and opium of the 3rd class, vice Mr. Pratt.

Mr. T. Major to offic. as asst. com. of customs, salt, and opium of the 4th class, vice Mr. Maury.

Jan. 23.—Mr. R. W. Lodwick, of the Bombay C.S., has been allowed 3 years' furl. under chap. 1 clause 4 of the new C.S. Absentee and Furl. Rules, from Jan. 13.

Jan. 24.—Sub asst. surg. D. Pestonjee is app. to the Paruk Dispensary at Surat.

Jan. 25.—Mr. J. B. Richey, Bombay C.S., is allowed to remain in Eng. for 3 mo. after the expiration of the furl. for 1 year granted to him on Feb. 24.

Jan. 18.—Capt. C. Goodfellow, V.C., acting exec. engr., having returned to his duties on Jan. 1, the unexpired portion of the leave of absence granted on Nov. 23, 1864, is cauc.

Lieut. J. H. R. Cruickshank, R.E., is app. a special asst. engr. from Nov. 1, 1864.

Jan. 25.—Rev. E. N. Dickinson is app. chaplain of Rutnagherry. He will make two visits to Karwar and two to Dapoolie in each year.

Rev. W. H. Cummins is app. chaplain of Aden.

Rev. T. Horsfall is app. chaplain of Nusserabad.

Rev. A. H. Onslow is app. chaplain of Ahmednuggur.

Rev. S. Stead is confirmed as joint chaplain of Kurrachee.

Rev. G. N. Mitford, M.A., is prom. to chaplain from Dec. 29 last, v. Rev. M. J. T. Boys, retired.

THE SALT REVENUE.

Jan. 20.—Under instructions received from the Govt. of India, H.E. the Governor in Council hereby notifies that, from and after this date, the Viceroy in Council has ordered that an excise duty of one rupee and eight annas per Indian maund shall be levied on salt manufactured in the Bombay Presidency; and that a customs duty of one rupee and eight annas per Indian maund shall be levied on salt imported by sea or land into any parts of the Bombay Presidency.

2. No increase is made on the duty on Sind salt.

Dec. 13.—No. 32.—The appt. of Maj. Thacker to be acting marine examiner, notified in G.O. No. 29, dated Nov. 28 last, takes effect from the 10th idem.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Adj. gen.'s Office, Poona, Jan. 9.—No. 36.—The following transfers and appts. are made:—

1st Gren. Regt. N.I.

Lieut. J. Affleck, offic. qmr., is confirmed in that appt., v. Malden, transf. to the 6th regt. N.I.

6th Regt. N.I.

Lieut. P. D. Malden, qmr., 1st gren., to be qmr., v. Smith, prom.

Capt. Smith will continue to perform the duties of qmr., until the arrival of Lieut. Malden.

No. 37.—The undermtn. officer returned to duty by permission of the Sec. of State for India on Jan. 3:—

Lieut. G. H. F. Codrington, staff corps.

Jan. 10.—No. 38.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 616, of the 31st ult., Offic. dep. insp. gen. of hospitals W. Thom, M.D., is posted to the Mhow div.

No. 39.—With reference to G.O.C. No. 1,002, dated Nov. 3 last, Asst. surg. T. B. W. P. Johnston is confirmed in the med. charge of the 26th regt. N.I., v. Brown.

No. 40.—Lieut. T. A. Buchanan, gen. list, attached to the 6th regt. N.I., having been reported fit for duty, is directed to rejoin his regt.

Jan. 11.—No. 46.—Asst. surg. Lithgow, 17th lancers, not being required for duty with his regt., will, on its embarkation, at the recommendation of the Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals, British Forces, be held available for duty with the Madras details of invalids and time-expired men.

No. 47.—Leave of absence:—

Brev. col. J. E. Collings, 33rd foot, from Jan. 4 to Jan. 31, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final m.c. to Europe.

Surg. G. F. H. Brown, 26th regt. N.I., from Jan. 1 to Jan. 15, to remain at Bombay, on m.c.

Jan. 12.—No. 48.—The following medical arrangements are ordered:—

Staff asst. surg. Shylock, attached to 33rd foot, will proceed to Indore to relieve Asst. surg. Drew, who will proceed to Deesa, to take medical charge of the F battery 14th brig. R.A., v. D'Altera, app. to the Bulsar Sanitarium.

Asst. surg. Shaw, 1st batt. 4th foot, at present attached to the 95th, will join his regt. at Poona.

Asst. surg. Hall, 33rd foot, at present attached to the 103rd, when join his regt. when relieved by Dr. Fannin.

Asst. surg. Forsayeth, 95th foot, will join his regt. at Kurrachee, on the arrival of Dr. Hall at Poona.

Staff asst. surg. Burke, attached to 56th foot, will proceed to Neemuch, to do duty with the 45th, relieving Asst. surg. Barker, 103rd foot, who will rejoin his regt.

Asst. surg. Pope, No. 1 battery 21st brig. R.A., will do duty with No. 4 battery 21st brig. R.A. at Kirkee.

Asst. surg. Jardine, G battery 18th brig. R.A., at present at Ahmedabad, will proceed at once to Baroda, and take medical charge of his battery, which is about to leave that station for Sholapore.

Asst. surg. Joyner, on arrival at Kurrachee, will proceed to join D battery 18th brig. R.A. at Neemuch, v. Devlin.

These officers will travel at the public expense.

No. 50.—Under instructions from Horse Guards, Staff surg. J. Ekin, having completed a tour of foreign service, is directed to proceed to England.

Surg. Ekin is available for duty with troops, and will, on arrival, report himself to the Adj. gen., Horse Guards, and to the Director gen. Army Medical Department.

BIRTHS.

BLANEY—At Calcutta, the wife of Captain F. M. Blaney, ship *Fiery Cross*, of a daughter.

BAINBRIDGE—At Berhampore, on the 9th January, the wife of A. T. Bainbridge, Esq., C.S., of a daughter.

BROWNE—At Calcutta, Jan. 16, the wife of the Rev. J. Cave Browne, chaplain, of a daughter.

BRAE—At Baboocolly, Jessore, on the 5th Jan., the wife of Thomas Brae, Esq., of a daughter.

BAUGH—At Jullundur, Jan. 6, the wife of Major Henry Baugh, Staff Corps, of a daughter.

BROWNLOW—At Lucknow, Jan. 15, the wife of Capt. Frederick Brownlow, 8th Bengal Cavalry, of a son.

BARNETT—At Parell, Jan. 27, the wife of G. A. Barnett, Esq., of a daughter.

BURN—At Singapore, Jan. 3, the wife of Captain James Burn, Bengal Staff Corps, and Resident Councillor of Malacca, of a son.

BALDWIN—At Jullundur, Jan. 13, the wife of Captain Baldwin, H.M.'s 19th Regiment, of a son.

CLARK—At Albion-place, Byculia, Jan. 17, the wife of Mr. J. Clark, of a daughter.

COOKSON—At Kamptee, Dec. 26, the wife of Major James G. Cookson, 8th Madras Cavalry, of a son.

CHESTER—At Saugor, Jan. 9, the wife of Captain C. W. R. Chester, Major of Brigade, Saugor district, of a daughter.

COOPER—At Subathoo, Jan. 10, the wife of Mr. Conductor M. Cooper, of a daughter.

DUCASSE—At 6, Lower Circular-road, Calcutta, Jan. 11, the wife of C. E. Ducasse, Esq., of a daughter.

EWART—At Dhurumsala, Dec. 26, the wife of Lieutenant C. H. Ewart, District Superintendent of Police, of a son.

FARQUHARSON—At 7, Wood-street, Calcutta, Jan. 15, the wife of W. W. Farquharson, Esq., of Elambazar Soorool, of a daughter.

GRAHAM—At No. 99, Eaton-place, London, Dec. 10, the wife of J. Graham, Esq., of a son.

GILLESPIE—At Nusseerabad, Jan. 15, the wife of Captain R. R. Gillespie, 106th Light Infantry, of a son, still-born.

GIBSON—At Kussowlee, Jan. 18, the wife of Mr. A. Gibson, D. P. W., of a daughter.

HOWEY—At Ranegunge, Dec. 30, the wife of Lieut. W. Howey, late 42nd L.I., Bengal police, of a daughter.

HARRIS—At Madras, Jan. 6, the wife of T. D. Harris, C.E., of a daughter.

HERBERT—At 6, Lower Circular-road, Calcutta, Jan. 6, the wife of J. H. Herbert, Esq., of a daughter.

HEATHCOTE—At Malarbar-hill, Jan. 25, the wife of Captain C. T. Heathcote, Staff Corps, of a daughter.

JOHNSON—At 16, Strangers' Lines, Bombay, Jan. 22, the wife of Assistant-surgeon Charles Johnson, civil surgeon, Kaira, of a daughter.

JAMESON—At Hurdul, Oudh, Jan. 13, the wife of Civil assistant surg. George W. Jameson, of a daughter.

KAYE—At Agra, on the 18th Jan., the wife of W. Kaye, Esq., C.S., of a daughter.

KNAPMAN—At Aden, Jan. 5, the wife of Barrack-master H. Knapman, of a son.

LAWFORD—At Saugor, Central India, on Jan. 15, the wife of Major Edward Melville Lawford, 4th Madras L.C., of a daughter.

MYER—At Parell, Jan. 23, the wife of Mr. George Myer, of a son.

MARVAL—At Lands End, Jan. 26, the wife of Frederick C. Marval, of a son.

MARTIN—At Jessore, on Jan. 1, the wife of J. Martin, Esq., C.E., Executive Engineer, Lower Assam, of a son.

MORE—At Monghyr, Jan. 15, Mrs. J. T. S. More, of a daughter.

MAIN—At Howrah, 6th Jan., at the residence of her sister, Mrs. W. Main, of a son.

NEWMARCH—At Allahabad, 30th Dec., the wife of Lieutenant O. R. Newmarch, Sub-Assistant Commissary General, of a daughter.

NICKELS—At Jounpore, Jan. 17, the wife of Christopher Nickels, Esq., of a son.

PIERCE—At Poona, Jan. 16, the wife of Capt. T. W. W. Pierce, H.M.'s 10th Regt. Bombay N.I., of a son.

PAYNE—At No. 8, Lower Circular-road, 11th Jan., the wife of Henry Wood Payne, Esq., solicitor, of a daughter.

PERRIN—At Calcutta, 9th Jan., the wife of Monsr. Joseph Perrin, of Berhampore, of a son.

POURCIAN—At Chandernagore, 4th Jan., the wife of J. E. St. Pourcian, Esq., Indigo Planter, of a daughter.

QUADROS—At Mazagon, on Jan. 23, the wife of Mr. John V. de Quadros, of a daughter.

RABAN—At Nowgong, Assam, 28th Dec., the wife of Henry Charles Biddulph Colton Raban, Esq., C.S., of a daughter.

WILLOUGHBY-OSBORNE—At Sehore, 9th Jan., the wife of Major Willoughby-Osborne, C.B., of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BULL-ADAMS—At St. John's Church, Jan. 7, William Bull, Esq., of Lucknow, to Marian, eldest daughter of the late George Frederick Adams, Esq., of Colnbrook, Buckinghamshire.

CANTOR-HORAN—At Julpigoree, Jan. 16, C. H. Cantor, Esq., 5th Bengal Cavalry, to Lillie Desborough, second daughter of Major Horan, 43rd Light Infantry;

DELIMA-DEQUADROS—At the Roman Catholic Church, Kalbadavie, Jan. 25, Mr. D. Delima, Bombay Medical Service, to Miss Regina, eldest daughter of Mr. Benjamin DeQuadros.

DEQUADROS-DELIMA—At the Roman Catholic Church, Mazagon, Jan. 17, Michael R. DeQuadros, Esq., to Annie, daughter of the late Michael Delima, Esq.

DAVIS-WHITE—At St. Paul's Cathedral, J. B. Davis, Esq., to Miss Mary S. White.

GABLER-EADSON—At Christ Church, Byculia, Jan. 16, Henry Gabler, Overseer Elphinstone Land and Press Company (Limited), to Florence, youngest daughter of Mr. Eadson.

LALOR-CONNOLLY—At St. Peter's Church, Fort William, on the 19th Jan., Mr. Joseph A. Lalor, to Rebecca, youngest daughter of Mr. Thomas Connolly, of Carlow, Ireland.

MOREIRA-D'CRUZ—At the Roman Catholic Church, Kalbadavie, Jan. 23, Mr. M. Moreira, to Memeda, second daughter of Francis D'Crux, Esq., Contractor, Bellasis Junction-road.

SAMPSON-SHIPTON—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, on the 16th Jan., Arthur B. Sampson, Esq., B.A., to Marian, elder daughter of the late Thomas Shipton, Esq., of York.

SANDEMAN-PEREIRA—At St. John's Church, Calcutta, on the 18th Jan., Alfred Park Sandeman, of Cachar, to Delia Rosina, second daughter of R. Pereira, Esq., of Dacca.

WALKER-SANDYS—At Christ's Church, Bhau-gulpore, on the 10th Jan., Lieut. R. J. Walker, Bengal Staff Corps, 17th Regiment N.I., son of the late Richard Walker, Esq., B.C.S., to Florence, daughter of Teignmouth Sandys, Esq., late B.C.S.

DEATHS.

ANDERSON—Jan. 20, at Byculia, from cholera, Helen, the beloved wife of Dr. J. Anderson.

ADAMES—At St. Colme-street, Edinburgh, Dec. 1, 1864, Eva Catherine, the only daughter of the late T. Adames, Esq., aged 14 years.

BANKS—At 35, Dhurrumtollah, Jan. 14, Agnes, wife of Mr. A. Banks, *Englishman* office, aged 26 years.

BENNETT—Jan. 8, Elizabeth, the wife of Mr. H. Bennett, aged 31 years.

COURPALAIS—At Bombay, on Jan. 20, Joseph Stephen Courpalais, signaller, Government Telegraph Department, aged 17 years.

DICKENS—On Jan. 16, on board the *Nemesis*, from Moulemin to Calcutta, Theodore Dickens, barrister-at-law, aged 30 years.

GALLOWAY—At Calcutta, on Jan. 10, George Galloway, Esq., aged 54 years.

GUERNSEY—At Colaba, on Jan. 15, James, son of Forbes William Guernsey, Esq., H.M.'s 45th Regt., aged 6 months.

IRELAND—At the residence of W. G. Corke, Esq., on Jan. 19, Elizabeth, the beloved wife of Mr. John Ireland, Marine Surveyor Mazagon Land and Reclamation Company, aged 44 years.

KAYE—At Agra, on Jan. 10, Francis, the infant son of W. Kaye, Esq., C.S.

KINLOCH—At Allypore, on Jan. 19, George Martineau, child of Charles W. and Agnes Kinloch.

LARYMORE—At Burrisaul, on Dec. 28, the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Larymore.

MIDDLETON—At Allahabad, on Jan. 14, J. R. Middleton, Esq., aged 56 years.

OLIPHANT—On board the S.S. *Simla*, off Aden, on Nov. 24, 1864, Lieut. James Stuart Oliphant, adjt. 5th Goorkha regt., aged 27 years and 9 months.

POULSON—At Calcutta, on Jan. 16, at her residence, No. 89, Dhurrumtollah, Mrs. Sarah Poulson, relict of the late Jonathan Poulson, Esq., Indigo Planter, Kishnagur.

PATERSON—At Ghazcepoore, on Jan. 9, Mr. George Paterson, Head Accountant of the Benares Opium Agency, aged 54 years.

RENDLE—At Bombay, Jan. 12, Richard, chief engineer officer, ship *Hippogriffe*, aged 33 years.

ROSS—At Agra, on Jan. 13, at his residence, 163, Fort-road, Asst. comsy. D. Ross, of the retired list.

TISSENDIE—At the Calcutta Club, Jan. 7, Jacques Tissendie, Esq., of Bogla Factory, aged 47 years.

VALLADARES—At Matherpacady, Bombay, Jan. 20, Daniel, late head accountant of the collector's office, Kandeish, aged 64 years, sincerely regretted by his family and friends.

VANSPALL—At Bombay, Jan. 25, H. C. Vanspall, son of the late J. R., of Quilon, aged 20 years 8 months and 4 days, leaving a widow and brother to bemoan his irreparable loss.

WITCHLOW—At Calcutta, Jan. 10, Lavinia Ann, the wife of Mr. J. H. Witchlow, mechanical engineer, E. I. C. Company, aged 19 years.

WELD—At Chunar, Jan. 18, from confluent small-pox, Sarah Henson, the beloved wife of Major George Weld, Bengal Staff Corps, deeply regretted.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c.,
IN H.M.'S REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA.

Feb. 14.

7th Foot.—Ensign G. Barton to be lieut., by purch., v. H. E. Harrow, who retires; Gent. cadet W. W. St. George, from Royal Military College, to be ensign, by purch., v. Barton; Feb. 14.

48th Foot.—Ensign W. B. Beatty to be lieut., by purch., v. C. W. Browne, who retires; Gent. cadet C. J. Delmege, from Royal Military College, to be ensign, by purch., v. Beatty; Feb. 14.

93rd Foot.—Ensign C. W. S. Lowndes to be lieut., by purch., v. W. Forbes, who retires; Gent. cadet W. B. McKechnie, from Royal Military College, to be ensign, by purch., v. Lowndes; Feb. 14.

BREVET.

Lieut. col. H. Hammond, R.A., having completed the qualifying service in the rank of lieut. col., to be col., under the Royal Warrant of Oct. 14, 1858; Dec. 30.

Feb. 21.

1st Dragoon Guards.—Lieut. C. M. Moran to be capt., by purch., v. A. J. P. Wadman, who retires; Cornet R. Chalmer to be lieut., by purch., v. Moran; Feb. 21.

7th Hussars.—Capt. Sir M. Barlow, Bart., from 88th foot, to be capt., v. Topham, who exch., receiving a portion of the former difference between a lieutenancy of cavalry and infantry; Dec. 12.

21st Hussars.—Ens. S. D. Turnbull, from 102nd foot, to be cornet, v. R. C. Smith, who has resigned; Feb. 21.

Royal Artillery.—Col. (Major general having rank of Colonel Commandant) G. Twemlow to be col. commandant, v. Lieut. gen. R. Powney, dec.; March 6, 1854. Brev. col. J. H. Smyth, c.n., to be col., v. Twemlow; Capt. S. Stallard to be lieut. col., v. Twemlow; 2nd Capt. T. Present to be capt., v. Stallard; Lieut. F. V. Eyre, on the supernumerary list, to be 2nd capt.; Lieut. A. H. Davidson to be 2nd capt., v. Present; Jan. 24. Gent. Cadet J. C. Gillespie, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., v. A. H. Davidson, prom.; Gent. Cadet W. H. P. Maquay, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., v. A. H. Bell, dec.; Feb. 21.

21st Foot.—Lieut. J. W. Micklethwait, from 45th foot, to be lieut., v. Pollard, who exch.; Feb. 21.

54th Foot.—Staff asst. surg. R. W. Troup, M.B., to be asst. surg., v. C. B. Mathew, app. to the staff; Feb. 21.

88th Foot.—Capt. R. Topham, from 7th hussars, to be capt., v. Sir M. Barlow, Bart., who exch.; Dec. 12.

90th Foot.—Staff asst. surg. C. J. Weir, M.B., to be asst. surg., v. E. J. Crane, app. to the staff; Feb. 21.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Asst. surg. E. J. Crane, from 90th foot, to be staff asst. surg., v. T. S. Barry, app. to the Royal Artillery; Feb. 21.

Asst. surg. C. B. Mathew, from 54th foot, to be staff asst. surg., v. C. J. Weir, M.B., app. to 90th foot; Feb. 21.

BREVET.

Lieut. col. E. Hemery, retired full pay, R.E., to be col., the rank being honorary only; Nov. 25.

Capt. J. S. Clark, 2nd West India Regt., to be major; March 7, 1862.

The following promotions to take place consequent on the death of Gen. Sir J. W. Sleight, K.C.B., col. 9th lancers, Feb. 5:—

Lieut. gen. Sir J. Jackson, K.C.B., col. 6th dragoon guards, to be gen.; Feb. 6.

Major gen. M. J. Slade, col. 50th foot, to be lieut. gen.; Feb. 6.

Brev. col. H. P. Raymond, from lieut. col. half-pay, late depot battalion, to be major gen.; Feb. 6.

Brev. maj. J. E. W. Lawrence, half-pay Royal Marines, to be lieut. col.; Feb. 6.

Capt. E. F. Tranchell, Ceylon rifle regt., to be major; Feb. 6.

The undermentioned officers having completed the qualifying service in the rank of lieut. col., to be col., under the Royal Warrant of Oct. 14, 1858:—

Lieut. col. R. White, 17th lancers; Feb. 21.

Lieut. col. A. F. Jenner, 11th foot; Feb. 21.

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ALLEN'S INDIAN MAIL,

THURSDAY, February 23, 1865.

TEACHING v. PREACHING.

A CLEVER and remarkably well written "Plea for Indian Missions" has been put forth by Mr. Alexander Forbes, in the form of a pamphlet, entitled "The Religions of India," and published by Messrs. Edmonston and Douglas. The title, as Mr. Forbes himself intimates, is somewhat of a misnomer, for the subject taken in hand is not so much an explanation of the countless creeds of Hindostan, as of the effects of such superstitions upon the minds of their professors. And here on the threshold, and before entering upon a discussion of the views propounded by Mr. Forbes, it is only fair to that gentleman that we should express our sincere respect for the honesty of his convictions, and the earnestness with which he maintains them. In bygone years, not yet remote, Mr. Forbes was favourably known in Calcutta by his writings in the *Dacca News* and the *Bengal Hurkaru*, and if his articles at times approached the dimensions of an essay, and exhibited something of the fiery vehemence of fanaticism, they were generally read and admired as the genuine outpourings of a simple-minded and thoroughly religious gentleman. It must also be admitted that few Englishmen have ever enjoyed better opportunities of witnessing the interior life of the natives of Bengal, of the opulent classes as well as of the peasantry. At the very outset of his Indian career he became attached to the household of a wealthy and tolerably enlightened native gentleman, residing in Calcutta, and was thus early placed in a position to observe the direct operation of the superstitious tendencies of even the best educated Hindoos. The abominations of the Doorga Poojah naturally made a deep impression upon a young man imbued to the core with the stern teachings of Aberdonian Presbyterianism. The bumpers of champagne quaffed to his health by the officiating priest, the lax morals of his employers and their guests, the wanton glances and voluptuous movements—"the charm of woven paces and of waving hands"

—of the dancing girls, the filthy obscenities that passed for religious rites, were not less strange than horrible in the eyes of the Scottish youth compelled to be a passive witness, when, doubtless, he sighed for "the sword of the Lord and of Gideon," wherewith to hew in pieces his idolatrous entertainers. With scarcely less horror did he contemplate the cruelties enacted by Hindoo masters. "A Hindoo zemindar, a neighbour of mine," he writes, "tied the long beards of two of his Mahomedan ryots together, and burning a Chili beneath their nostrils, amused himself by seeing how the violent sneezing produced made them knock their heads together." Something of the humorous element, indeed, appears in this otherwise barbarous pastime, but there is nothing laughable in the other instances adduced in these pages. "A very common way in which mistresses punish their female servants is," as he assures his readers, "to brand them with the earthen end of the hooka made hot. A man," he continues, "was brought before the magistrate at Chittagong for blowing Cayenne pepper into the eyes of his own son, a child of seven or eight years of age, who had been guilty of some slight disobedience. The report of the Madras Torture Commission," he goes on to say, "is full of horrors inflicted upon the people for the purpose of collecting a few rupees of rent. The body was bent by ropes and bamboos into the most painful positions. Men were compelled to stare at the brightness of a tropical sun until they were blinded. The body was smeared with honey, and then the wretched creature that was being operated upon was tied up in the vicinity of a nest of red ants, the bite of which insect is excessively painful." These and similar atrocities Mr. Forbes ascribes to the direct and immediate instigation of the Evil One. Who but devils, he asks, would ever have suggested the idea of suttee, or of self-inflicted torture, or of exposing a moribund relative on the banks of the Ganges? Satan's masterpiece, he further tells us, is the institution of the Hindoo widowhood, and it cannot be denied that very direful are the consequences of the cruel usage to which a baby widow is liable all her life through. Far be it from us to define the power and attributes of "Auld Hornie," or to dispute our writer's more intimate and personal acquaintance with "the Devil and all his works." For does not he himself narrate how during the celebration of the vile September festival he has felt the influence of the Spirit of Evil, and how his mind has seemed to be filled with a thick and palpable darkness? But we freely concede to Mr. Forbes that the Hindoo is a foul, false, cruel, lascivious creature, addicted to sensual indulgences, and prone to a grovelling superstition. The point on which we have the

misfortune to differ from him relates not to the moral, social, and religious condition of the Hindoos as they at present exist, but to the most efficient means by which they may be raised to a higher standard. Mr. Forbes thinks little of secular education, and is all for preaching, but his test of success is not to be accepted as at all decisive. He estimates the workings of the two modes by the number of converts that have been made to Christianity, but—we say it not disrespectfully—this is taking a very narrow and shortsighted view of the case. No doubt a greater number of poor ignorant peasants may be induced to undergo baptism after an hour's vigorous preaching, than of thinking, educated men who require something more than mere declamation to persuade them to change their ancient landmarks. Take our own peasantry, take all the unnumbered sections of sects, Jumpers, Ranters, Revivalists, or Latter-day Saints, and say how much of real Christian knowledge, how much of real Christian practice, pervades the rude, uncouth mass. Nothing exceeds the incredulity of the labouring classes except their credulity. Thus the Hindoo ryot will swallow at a gulp the doctrines of original sin, of atonement, of the Trinity in Unity, and whatever else is mysterious and incomprehensible, without troubling his digestion or interfering with his sleep. But those who stand higher in the social scale, those who have been taught to look for argument as well as for illustration, and to demand the why and the wherefore of every new doctrine, cannot be expected all at once to embrace the religion of the foreigner, however perfectly they may be convinced of the falsity of that of their forefathers. And really it is unworthy of a man of Mr. Forbes's intelligence to repeat the old cuckoo-cry, that the early believers in Christianity were, for the most part, men of humble extraction and destitute of letters. No one denies the fact, but it was not the unlettered men who caused the diffusion of the Christian seed. The accomplished Paul did more than all the rest of the apostles put together, and even now who does not rather turn to his Epistles than to those of the impulsive, hot-headed Peter, or of the amiable but obscure and feeble John? And it may be permitted to doubt if Christianity would ever have attained its present dimensions had not Constantine been desirous to obtain a counterbalancing power to oppose to the influence of his rival Maxentius. All history tells us that no purely popular movement is ever long-lived. The impulse must come from the heart and brain of the nation, not from its fingers and toes. Possibly the first tangible results of the introduction of Western science and literature may take the form of scepticism and a cynical infidelity, but the Truth—whatever be the

INDIA EXCHANGES.
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	60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.		60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.
Calcutta	1s. 11½d.	1s. 11½d.	Singapore	4s. 8½d.	4s. 9d.
Madras	1s. 11½d.	1s. 11½d.	Hong Kong	4s. 8½d.	4s. 9d.
Rombay	1s. 11½d.	1s. 11½d.	Shanghai	—	—
Colombo	½ pm.	1s. 0pm.			

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Shares.		Paid.	Prices.
India Stock, 1874	215 to 218	
India 5 per cent.	108½ to 109	
India 4 per cent.	98½	
India 4 per cent. 1888	.....	98½	
India Enforced Paper 4 pr. ct.	.....	89	
India 5 p. ct. Enforced Paper	.....	101 to 103	
India Stock, Enfd. Paper, 5½	.....	109 to 111	
per cent.	116	
India Stock Debentures, 1888	1563	
India Stock Debentures, 1889	99½	
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India Debentures, do., £1,000	8 dis.	
India 5 per cent. for account	105	
India 5 per cent., 1870	108½ to 109	
India 4 per cent., 1888	.....	99½	
India Loan Scrip 5 per cent.	.....	104½	
India Bonds, 4 p. ct. (£1,000)	.....	104 pm.	
India Bonds (£1,000)	.....	151 pm.	
Ditto (under £1,000)	.....	104.	
RAILWAYS.			
Stock	Bombay, Baroda, and Central India (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	100½ to 101½
30	Ditto F Shares	2	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Calcutta & S. Eastern (lim.)	100	97 to 99
Stock	Eastern Bengal (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	100 to 101
Stock	East Indian	100	101½
30	Ditto J. Extension	5	
Stock	G. I. Peninsula (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	100½ to 101½
30	Ditto (New ditto)	12	par to ½ pm.
30	Ditto, New	2	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Great S. of India (lim.) Scrip	100	100
Stock	Ditto 4½ p. c.	100	99 to 101
Stock	Madras (guar. 4½ per ct.)	100	90
Stock	Ditto 5 per cent.	100	100 to 101
Stock	Ditto (guar. 4½ per cent)	100	94
30	5th Extension	2	1½
Stock	Scinde 5 per cent.	100	99 to 100
Stock	Ditto Indus Steam Flotilla (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	97
20	Ditto Delhi gua. 5 p. c.	all	99 to 100
Stock	Ditto	2	½ to ¾ d.
Stock	Punjab (5 per ct.)	100	99½ to 100½
BANKS.			
100	Agra and Masterman's (L.)	50	125 to 130
50	Do. New issue	25	64
50	Do. issue at 30 pm.	25	60 to 63
40	Anstralia	all	76
40	New	all	71 to 73
25	Bank of Egypt	all	32
30	Chart. of Ind., Aus., & China	all	33 to 35
30	Ditto, New	all	
25	Chart. Merc. of India, Lond., and China	all	57
	New	13½	
95	Commercial Bank of India	all	4 to 6 pm.
100	Hindustan, China, & Japan	25	3 to 4 pm.
100	Do. New issue at 2 pm.	23	2 to 3 pm.
100	New Issue at 6 pm., of which 1 pd.	10	1 to 2 pm.
50	Imp. Bank of China, India, and Japan	5	
30	Land Mortgage Bank of India	4	½ to 1 pm.
25	Oriental Bank Corporation	all	57 to 59
30	Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi	10	1 to 1½ pm.
20	Ditto New	7½	3 pm.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
5	Bombay Gas	all	5½ to 6½
5	New	2	½ to 1 pm.
30	British Indian Tea	14	½ to 1 d.
30	Ceylon	7	2½ to 3
20	Credit Foncier of Mauritius	10	3 to 3 dis.
20	East India Irr. & Can.	10	2½ dis.
2	Indian Carrying (Lim.)	1	½ d. to ¾ pm.
90	Mauritius Land Credit (Lim.)	2	½ to ¾ pm.
20	Madras Irrig. and Canal	5	1 d. to par
20	Do.	all	20
20	Mediterran. Ext. Tel. (Lim.)	all	4½
30	Nerbudda Coal and Iron	6	1 d. par
20	Do. New	2	½ d. to ¾ pm.
20	Oriental Commercial	7	½ d. to ¾ pm.
60	Oriental Financial	10	5 to 6
1	Oriental Gas	all	1½ to 1½
1	Do. New	all	½ pm.
10	Oriental Inland Steam A. (L.)	all	2 to 3
50	P. and O. Steam Nav. Co.	all	82 to 84
50	Ditto New	35	20 to 23
2	Telegraph to India	1	
10	Upper Assam Tea	2½	4½ pm.
30	Ditto	all	30

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DR. CORBYN has been appointed inspector of prisons in Oudh, in the room of Dr. Cannon, who takes up the civil urgency of Lucknow, vice Dr. Douglas, on leave to Europe.

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DATES OF ADVICES.

Bengal	Jan. 23	Burmah (Rangoon)	Jan. 14
Madras	" 24	Bombay	" 29
Agra	" 24	Ceylon	" 31
China (Hong Kong)	Jan. 15.		

MAILS TO INDIA.

Mails to India and China, via Marseilles, are despatched from London as follows, viz.:—Those for Bombay packets, on the evening of the 3rd and 18th of each month; and those for Calcutta packets (including mails for Ceylon, Madras, and China), on the evenings of the 10th and 26th of each month. When any of these dates fall on a Sunday, the mails are made up on the following evening.

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Mails for the Mediterranean, the Presidency of Bombay, and Upper or North-West Provinces of Bengal and China, are despatched via Southampton on the 12th and 27th of the month, except when these dates fall on Sunday, in which case they are forwarded on the previous evening.

A French line of mail packets now leaves Marseilles on the 19th of every month for Alexandria. Postage for letters and papers to India and China the same as is charged by the English mail via Marseilles. Letters intended to be forwarded by these packets must be specially addressed "By French mail packet from Marseilles."

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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

THE arrival of the overland mail from Calcutta places us in receipt of intelligence two days later than that received by the last Bombay mail.

Major Adams, we regret to learn, has sunk under an attack of pleurisy, which supervened on the murderous assault made upon him by a Mahomedan fanatic.

Sir Hugh Rose arrived in Calcutta on the 21st January, under a salute from the guns of Fort William. The late Lieut.-Governor of the Punjab, Sir Robert Montgomery, is among the passengers to Marseilles by the present mail.

If the *Englishman's* information be well founded, there is no likelihood of any immediate cessation of the torrents of petitions at present flooding the House of Commons. From Bengal alone not far short of one thousand petitions may be expected, and at least an equal number from the sister presidencies of Madras and Bombay. It is further stated that an offer of advantageous retiring terms is about to be made to all "local" officers of field rank, and the prediction is hazarded that "every officer who by any possibility can accept the proffered terms will at once retire." The Indian officers have little reason to be grateful for the advocacy of their journalistic friends, who appear somewhat too anxious to reduce the noble profession of arms to the level of a trade. The "price of blood" is made of more account than honour and glory, and what is really sought at the cannon's mouth seems no longer to be "the bubble reputation," but a bag of rupees. From such friends the officers of her Majesty's Indian armies may well pray to be delivered.

There is nothing new from Bhootan, but the accounts of Mr. Eden's bootless mission have been made public. The total expenditure, including salaries, travelling charges, and presents, amounts to very nearly £5,000. The coolie transport alone cost not far from £1,000, while more than double that sum was laid out on gold watches, ear-rings, guns, revolvers, pistols, broadcloths, silk, flannels, corals, &c., intended as peace offerings for the Penlows and the Deb and Dhurm Rajahs. This little grain of mustard seed has swelled and grown up into the goodly proportions of a war expenditure—inevitable, perhaps, but not the less to be regretted.

But what all Calcutta is talking about is the formation of the "Port Canning Land Investment, Reclamation, and Dock

Company (Limited)," with a capital of £1,200,000, divided into 6,000 shares of £200 each. It is almost needless to premise that this enterprising company takes its rise in Bombay, and that all the shares have been taken up. This new company has acquired upwards of 134,000 acres of land, of which 60,000 have already been brought under cultivation, producing a yearly rental of £13,000. The sum of £400,000 is to be expended on landed property, and £200,000 on reproductive works in the town itself. The Municipality has made over to the company the River Trust, and the privilege of constructing docks, tramways, &c., and has borrowed from it the sum of £25,000, at 15 per cent. discount. A large dock for country boats is at once to be commenced on the Bidiadury River, at the back of the town; a gridiron is to be laid down, of sufficient dimensions to accommodate the largest ships and steamers; and twenty jetties are to be run out, at which forty ships will be able to unload and take in cargo. It is further stated that a 1,600-ton ship is lying off the port, which came up the Mutlah without a pilot; and that the Messageries Imperiales Company have suspended their works at Garden Reach until something more definite be known as to the real advantages and disadvantages of Port Canning.

The Christian Converts Re-marriage Bill has been adjourned until the next cold season. A new Bill to sanction the formation of insurance companies on the limited liability principle has been introduced into Council by Mr. Maine, and is well spoken of by the local press.

From Madras we receive the usual amount of interesting intelligence. The *Athenæum* chronicles two events, the most important of which, in the eyes of our contemporary, appears to be the marriage of Captain Macleod and Miss Porteous, on which felicitous occasion the choir sang a hymn entitled "Holy Matrimony," and duly chanted the Psalm, the rubric after the Psalm, and all the Amens. The remaining part of the service was shared between the Bishop and the Archdeacon,—his lordship undertaking the "business" portion. "The whole ceremony," according to our mildly enthusiastic contemporary, "was more imposing and grand than anything of the kind ever before witnessed in Madras. The bridesmaids were Miss Pycroft, the two Misses Dale, Miss Thompson, Miss Hewetson and Miss Brett." After this two columns are devoted to the re-opening of St. George's Cathedral, and the enu-

meration of the stops contained by the organ. It is gratifying to learn that this instrument "sounds very much better in its new position than it did at the west end, although the tone is a little subdued." Let us hope that it will get over its nervousness after a time.

The Cash Balances at the close of November exhibited a rise of Rs. 37,75,592 over the October statement,—amounting to Rs. 10,28,85,257, against Rs. 13,50,81,855 in 1863. As compared with November, 1863, the greatest falling off is in the Government of India, Rs. 1,73,78,812. The smallest is in the Deccan, Rs. 4,00,569. Three Governments exhibit an increase:—

Punjab ...	Rs. 19,91,519
Bombay ...	Rs. 16,75,965
Central Provinces	Rs. 5,88,551=42,56,035

The following represent the decrease:—

Govt. of India	Rs. 1,73,78,812
Madras ...	Rs. 85,62,951
N.W. Provinces	Rs. 58,45,252
Bengal ...	Rs. 42,65,049
Deccan ...	Rs. 4,00,569=3,64,52,633.

As in all probability the case of the Indian officers will come before Parliament sooner than was at first anticipated, we are requested to urge all officers who have not already petitioned to do so without delay, and to send their petitions to the Hon. Secretary Amalgamation Inquiry Committee for presentation to Parliament. Officers are further requested to observe that petitions must be written on one piece of paper (size immaterial), otherwise they are informal.

DEPARTURE OF PASSENGERS.—The following passengers will leave Marseilles, per overland route, to-morrow (March 1):—For Calcutta: Mr. and Mrs. Terry, Right Hon. W. H. Massey, Mr. G. W. Forbes, Capt. Sitwell, Mr. G. Budham. For Madras: Maj.-gen. Haines, Major Holland. For Ceylon: Mr. and Mrs. Armitage, 2 infants, and nurse, Mr. Ratcliffe. For Alexandria: Mr. Hamilton.

SCHOOL INSPECTORS.—On the recommendation of the Punjab Government, the Government of India has sanctioned the appointment of three additional inspectors of schools for the Delhi, Rawul Pindee, and Lucknow divisions, on a salary of rupees three hundred each per mensem.

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Aden	800	—
Ceylon	180	—
Pondicherry	360	—
Madras	—	£38,860
Calcutta	—	113,920
Singapore	—	25,500
Saigon	—	8,360
Shanghai	—	5,750
	£10,714	£187,390

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

MADRAS.—Maj. gen. S. Bullock, Madras Cavalry, at Southampton, Feb. 17.
BOMBAY.—Maj. J. B. Dunsterville, at the Clarendon Hotel, Bombay, Jan. 11.

Passengers by the present Mail.

For Marseilles.—From Calcutta.—Capt. W. Tate, W. Perrie, Stansfeld, Messrs. Currie, Griffiths, Mr. and Mrs. Cowie and infant, Mr. Baseni, Mr. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Howard, Sir B. Montgomery. From Madras.—Messrs. Dalvi, Lascells, and Guiraud, Lieut. Wailow, Capt. Guiraud.

Expected at Southampton.

Per mail ste.—From Calcutta.—Mr. A. Gray, Mr. S. Godman, Mrs. McMullen and child, Mr. M. Ironside, Capt. H. Connell, Lieut. Col. Parker, Mrs. Wells and three children, Mr. Marshall, Capt. Duff, Mr. J. Goding, Mr. M. Redford, two Misses Kenney, Mrs. Burney and child, Mr. W. Low. From Madras.—Capt. and Mrs. Bean.

BENGAL.

FROM BOMBAY TO CALCUTTA.

Englishmen in Northern and Western India have not yet realised the fact that Bombay is separated from the capital by a distance in time of little more than five days. But for the evils of the railway system in this country, arising from the double Government and the single lines, letters and even passengers might travel from Calcutta to Bombay in four days. When the Great Trunk Railway by Jubbulpore is completed three years hence, continuous travelling at the present rate of speed will not reduce the distance to less than three days. It is most important for political, social, and commercial reasons that intercourse between the two greatest cities in Asia should now be both frequent and speedy. It is time that the postal express between both places should occupy only four days in transit; that all Englishmen who are not invalids should arrive at and depart from India by Bombay; and that visits should be frequently interchanged between the officials, the European merchants and native "reformers" of the two Presidency cities.

The traveller who reaches Bombay from Suez with the intention of proceeding to Calcutta has three routes before him. If he has been a wise man he will have preferred the new Italian line of steamers from Ancona to Alexandria, and will have spent a week in Egypt. To Bombay no line of steamers at present runs save the Peninsular and Oriental, and he finds himself victimised by a demand of sixty pounds sterling for a twelve days' uncomfortably crowded passage and badly cooked fare. A charge of five pounds a day for even princely accommodation would be tolerated by no other community in the world. After a fortnight's study of the marvels of Bombay, Poona and Surat, the Peninsular and Oriental Company will graciously offer to convey the traveller round Cape Comorin to Calcutta for fifteen pounds, a sum which ceases to be considered small when another fortnight has to be wasted at sea. The second route, which will tempt the visitor who has time, and wishes to see Southern India, is that offered by the well-managed coasting steamers of the British India Steam Navigation Company. Taking one of these he may land at Beypore for the railway, unless the desire to see Goa and the fast rising port of Carwan should induce him to submit to the discomforts of the Parsee steamers. While the steamer is rounding the Peninsula he will have time for a hasty visit to the Neilgherries and Bangalore, before rejoining it at Madras. But this route, though attractive, is both expensive and dilatory. He who adopts it ought to have time to visit Cochin also, and the interesting principality of Travancore, if not the great mission country of Tinnevely, trusting to catch a later steamer at Madras than the one he has left at Beypore.

But the visitor who has little time at his disposal, and wishes to make the best use of it, will adopt the direct postal route by railway and mail-cart. Let him not be frightened by the generally apocryphal stories of nervous people in Bombay. They will tell of travellers who have had broken limbs, have been lifted down from the cart in a dying state, have kept to their bed for weeks, have actually died, after a short journey of seventy miles. A little enquiry discovers the fact that if such cases ever existed they happened in the hot season, or when there were bad roads, or in exceptional circumstances such as those under which the late Sir Henry Havelock suffered on such a journey. By this route the whole distance between the two cities is about 1,740 miles, of which 535 are traversed by mail-cart from Nargaum on the Nagpore branch of the Great Indian Peninsula Railway to the Agra

branch of the East Indian line. Till now the three hundred miles of railway journey on the Bombay side have occupied twenty-four hours, and the 905 from Agra to Calcutta fifty hours. But the recent opening of the Thull Ghaut on the former ought to reduce the time to 18 hours, for hitherto a night of six hours has been spent in the ascent of the Ghaut by the road. So on the Agra side, the delays at the Toondla junction, at Allahabad, and at several refreshment stations, might be reduced one-half, so as to save at least two hours. The Express, which, as a rule, accomplishes the mail-cart part of the journey in two days, if it ran in connection with the trains on either side, instead of, as at present, having to wait sometimes a whole day at Agra or Nargaum, would occupy only from four to five days between the two cities.

To confine ourselves to the mail-cart route. The traveller obtains a pass from the Bombay Post-office, and presents it to the native postmaster at Nargaum, paying seventy-six rupees, or eight annas a mile, for a seat to Indore, the limits of the Bombay Post-office, 152 miles distant. The charge, in the North-western Provinces, for the 384 miles between Indore and Agra, is only sixty rupees, or two-and-a-half annas a mile. The difference is due chiefly to the fact that the contractors' cost of keeping the horses is much higher in the Bombay Presidency than elsewhere. For this sum the traveller is allowed one seat beside the driver, and thirty lbs. of luggage, which is quite sufficient for the journey. The coasting steamers will take round the bulk of his boxes at a moderate rate. Those who have servants with them or two friends, may take a special mail cart at more than double these rates, but this is not advisable if speed is an object, and it is less comfortable, for the horses are likely to be inferior. Having dined in an adjoining tent, the traveller girds round his waist a good native cummerbund, fixes between his back and the iron rod of the seat a strong cotton pillow, puts one rug on the seat and another over his feet, and with a top-coat over him, by day as well as by night, he begins his journey. The mail-cart is simply a wooden dog-cart, painted red, with tolerable springs and capital wheels, drawn by one horse in the shafts and another as an outrigger. Both are changed—and generally even at night without delay—every six miles, and the mail-drivers, who are as a rule fine fellows, every sixty or eighty miles. One syce mounts behind. If the traveller has slept well the previous night or day he ought to go on at once from Nargaum to Indore, 152 miles, without much fatigue. Provisions he will find in abundance, and a good dak bungalow at Indore, as well as at the large stations to Agra. The horses go at the average rate of ten miles an hour, except in the Sautpoora hills. At the Simrole Ghaut, by which the Vindhya are ascended, oxen are employed for ten miles until the new road is completed. This, and eighty miles of bad road from Beorah to Goona, are the only drawbacks on the way. Elsewhere the roads and all the arrangements are most satisfactory in the dry season. Whenever the traveller rests he is delayed twenty-four hours till the arrival of the next cart, unless he takes advantage of the parcel carts, which pass frequently, though at somewhat reduced speed. There is no reason why a man in good health should stop more frequently than twice in the 535 miles—at Indore and Goona, but no intelligent observer would pass Gwalior, seventy-two miles from Agra, without spending a day in its noble fort.

To the student of history or human nature few journeys present such attractions. As he leaves Bombay he marvels at the fantastic forms of the Syhadree Ghauts, which, like the sierras of Mexico, seem as though they had been piled up by a former race as sites for the forts of robber chiefs. In the dull starlight the gigantic railway viaducts on the Thull

Ghaut impress themselves on his imagination as even more wonderful than the tunnels of that triumph of engineering skill, the Bhore Ghaut incline. He wends his way slowly through the wastes of Candeish, which have never recovered from the devastations of the Mahrattas, leaving such historic places as Nassik, Chandore, and our own military station of Malligaum to the north. At Munmar he sees whole fields covered with the opium cases, the wasting bags of grain and cotton, the droves of sheep, and even fowls, which have poured down through the passes of the hills from Holkar's country to meet the wants of wealthy Bombay, to which the railway cannot convey it. As he passes the Bho-sawul junction on to the Nagpore branch, he can just discern in the distance the half finished railway bridge over the Taptee into the valley into which he has been rapidly descending, and he wonders if the great Indian Peninsula Company will ever complete their line thence to Jubbulpore. Hardly has he seated himself firmly in the mail-cart, which dashes into the darkness of the night along an invisible road, through shallow streams and up hill sides which the starlight and his own dreamy imagination magnify into fantastic and even frightful forms, when he crosses the Poorna river from waste Candeish and Berar into still more desolate Nimar. Soon he rattles through the silent streets of Boorhanpore, once so beautiful under its Furookhee kings; now he passes under the great fort of Asseergurh which commands the road to rich Malwa and crowns the northern Sautpooras. As he tries to banish sleep by recalling Ferishta's story of its shepherd founder, he already begins to see sunrise in the direction of Khundwa, the new civil station in the Central Provinces, and snatches a hasty meal at Mokulgaum, while a new driver prepares himself. Down he rushes now into the valley of the Nerbudda, through a waste but once rich country, no part of which, whether under our own direct rule or Holkar's, seems any more than Candeish to have forgotten the Mahrattas and Pindarees. Crossing that noble but unnavigable river on a trestle bridge, he ascends to the foot of the Vindhya, which stretch between Hindostan and the Deccan from sea to sea. Through passes which require only rain to make them as beautiful as the Appenines between Florence and Bologna, he reaches the great plain of Hindostan, and leaving our military station of Mhow and the ruins of the old Mussulman capital Mandhoo to the left, enters Indore at sunset, after an eighteen hours' ride. There, and thence by Dewas, Beorah, Goona, Seepree, and Gwalior, he sees and hears what makes him, even if an ardent anti-annexationist, wonder that British officers can look calmly on such oppression as the tenants of Holkar and Scindia suffer. He begins to think British interference short of annexation a curse, for the people, if left to themselves, would endure no longer the ravishing of their matrons and mutilation of their men, the destruction of their trade and rack-renting of their villages, by chiefs whom we encourage to misgovern.

Our experience is that, in the cold season and to the man who is not conscious of possessing either nerves or a liver, the mail cart between Agra and Nargaum is as little fatiguing as an English stage-coach, while it is almost as speedy and quite as safe as an Indian, Egyptian, or Italian railway.—*Friend of India*.

THE PORT CANNING COMPANY.

The Great Port Canning Company, of which rumours have been for some time afloat, has now made its appearance. There has recently appeared the prospectus of the "Port Canning Land Investment, Reclamation, and Dock Company (Limited)," brought out under the auspices of the Bombay million-

aires, with an excellent direction in Calcutta, consisting of men who have devoted their time and energies to founding the new port. The Bombay papers are full of warnings against the mania, which seems to have attacked all parties in their Presidency, for the wildest speculation. We do not know, therefore, how they will look upon this scheme, supported as it is by the richest and ablest men of their town. Here we have all looked upon Canningtown and its port with coldness and indifference, but the disasters caused by the cyclone have awakened all to the necessity and value of an auxiliary port, and so the riches thrown upon the Bombay shores have overflowed in this direction; the ability of Calcutta, supplemented by the capital of Bombay, is now about to cherish the weakly bantling of Calcutta speculation. The energy displayed by the leading member of the firm appointed secretaries in Calcutta is worthy of all praise, though something is, perhaps, due to the sneering tone of the Government of India, when, endeavouring to escape from the trammels of what it considered a very bad job, it alluded to that firm as the projectors of the Eden at Canning. From the prospectus we learn that the company has secured 1,34,590 acres, of which 8,526 are leasehold, and 1,26,000 are redeemable on freehold at Rs. 2 per acre. The value of rice-lands paying rent to Government, at the present ports, or on the banks of the Hooghly, is usually estimated at Rs. 900 per acre. Should this speculation of Canning be even tolerably successful, this promises an enormous profit, and gives a more solid foundation for the views of the Bombay promoters than we were inclined to believe. There is already an annual income from the lands taken, amounting to Rs. 1,30,000. We also observe that the company has subscribed half the amount of the Canning municipal loans, this will probably soon be followed up, and bring the municipality into full work. Grantees of town lots will then be obliged to carry out the terms of their engagements or forfeit their grants. This will tend to the rapid growth of the intended town, but we can only now refer to the prospectus, for the further intended works. This energy must draw out the Government also, and the railway will require attention. We understand that already there is a desire felt to press upon the Government the necessity of a double line, and the sooner this is looked into the better, for if this company does all it promises, and makes the auxiliary port a real and life-like commercial city, the railway must have a double line. It will be much too late to think and talk of this when the terminus at Canning is overwhelmed with goods, as at the terminus of another railway at Howrah. As a further proof of the progress of the Mutlah port, we learn that the British Indian Steam Navigation Company have applied for leave to start their mail steamers for Chitragong, Akyab, &c., from Canning, and that it is intended, eventually, to start all their steamers from that port. The Messageries Imperiales have also, we understand, suspended their works on the Hooghly until they see whether Canning is to be their port or not. We cannot but wish success to a scheme brought out with so much vigour, though we think the company will find they have yet many obstacles to overcome. But money and energy may do much. We can only add that we trust the epidemic of speculation is not going to spread from Bombay to this, and that, whilst every encouragement is given to a scheme involving real advantages both to the public and the shareholders, the public will not lose its sanity here, as it is said to have done at Bombay.

Since writing the above we are informed that the shares of the Port Canning Company have all been taken up, and the list is closed.—*Englishman*.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE ATTACK ON MAJOR ADAMS.—Major Adams went into the city of Peshawar in the afternoon, and was returning on horseback, accompanied by the kotwal of the city and several of the police; he had an escort of two police horsemen. He was proceeding slowly homewards in conversation with the kotwal, and had passed the Cabul gate, when a man rushed from the side of the road, succeeded in obtaining the sword of one of the horsemen, and made a desperate cut, which wounded Major Adams severely on the back. This was the first intimation which the deputy-commissioner had of the attack, and he immediately urged on his horse, and thus avoided a second blow. The assassin was cut down, and shot by the kotwal, who had a pistol. Major Adams rode part of the way home, and was carried for the remainder in a litter. His wound is not dangerous, and he is doing well. The medical men pronounce that there is no cause for apprehension. The assassin was brought before the magistrate in a hopeless state, but perfectly sensible. Nothing, however, could be gained from him except the reiteration that he was mad, and had been inspired by God to the act. He died about two hours afterwards. His manner was wild and fierce, but he was not insane. He has been recognised as Lall Mahomed, a dyer by trade, and a native of Candahar, who has been for the last three or four years in Peshawar. There is no reason to suppose that the act was instigated, or was more than a sudden impulse of a fanatic. Inquiry is proceeding. There is no political agitation; on the contrary, the feeling of all the principal men is one of indignation against the outrage, and of regret for the injury, and the kotwal and police behaved well in cutting down the assassin.—*Times of India*.

ABSENTEE RULES.—Under Chapter I. of the New Civil Service Furlough and Absentee Rules, it is laid down that "grants of furlough are subject to the condition that in no case shall a greater number of servants be absent from India, on furlough, at one time than 10 per cent. of the number on the list of each Presidency." 2. To regulate the grants of furlough on equitable principles, and in accordance with the rules, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to order as follows:—All Civil Servants entitled to furlough, and desirous of taking it during A.D. 1865, should immediately notify the fact, and the months in which the furlough is proposed to be taken, to the Secretary to Government in the General Department. The names of all applicants will then be registered, and furloughs will be granted to those whose claims to preference are secured by the rules. 3. The following is the list of furloughs available during the year A.D. 1865:—Available at present, 2; ditto 27th of February, 1; ditto 28th of March, 1; ditto 14th of April, 1; ditto 13th of October, 1; ditto 27th of November, 1; total, 7. 4. Applicants for furlough in A.D. 1866 should register their names on or before the 1st of January, 1866.

THE DEPARTING AND THE COMING C. IN C. will not meet in Calcutta, as was expected, it being settled that Sir W. Mansfield does not come round to Calcutta, but will go from Bombay up the Indus, and by the route to Simla, where he will take his seat in the Supreme Council. Sir William has appointed his present military secretary to the same post under him as Commander-in-Chief in India, but it is not settled whether any other officers of his staff at Bombay accompany him to this Presidency. Sir Robert Napier goes to England by the steamer of the 9th February, and will not take up the Bombay command until about the middle of the year, till which time some general officer in that Presidency will officiate for him from the date of Sir W. Mansfield's departure.—*Englishman*.

THE ALLAHABAD LIBEL CASE.—Our readers probably will remember that the proprietor of the *Allahabad Observer* was fined Rs. 300 for a libel on Mr. Collet, of the East Indian Railway at Allahabad. After the imposition of the fine Mr. Honigberger made a clean breast of the matter, and declared in the next issue of his paper that Captain Hamilton, a well-known resident of Allahabad, was the author of the libel complained of. It will be remembered that Mr. M. B. Elias was rather roughly handled in the article alluded to. The consequence of the disclosure made by Mr. Honigberger has been first that Mr. Elias has brought an action of damages against Captain Hamilton for Rs. 10,000, "for that he, the said Captain Hamilton, maliciously caused the publication of the libel now complained of." Mr. Collet has brought an action also for Rs. 10,000 based upon the same ground, so that the position of our respectable townsman, Captain Hamilton, is not at present a very enviable one. Mr. Shircore, of Calcutta, for the plaintiffs; Captain Hamilton is defended by native vakeels, instructed by Mr. Lasbury. On the trial coming on for hearing on the 5th January, an objection was taken by Mr. Shircore to the effect that Mr. Hamilton, the defendant, did not verify the statement put in by this vakeel in his defence agreeably to Act VIII. of 1859. The case was in consequence postponed to enable Mr. Hamilton to appear for the purpose of verifying the statement alluded to. The case came on again on the 6th, when Captain Hamilton verified the statement made by the vakeel in his defence, after which the following issues were struck by the consent of the parties. In Mr. Elias's case the issues were as follows:—1st. Whether defendant published or printed the article complained of? 2nd. Whether the defendant caused the printing or publication of the said article? 3rd. Whether the article alluded to is libellous or not? and 4th. What amount of damages has plaintiff sustained, and what amount of compensation should be awarded him in consequence? The issues in Mr. Collet's case are exactly similar to the above, with the addition of two new ones, viz.:—5th. Is Mr. Collet one of the high officials mentioned in the article? and 6th. What amount of damages is due by Mr. Honigberger, the editor, proprietor, and publisher of the *Allahabad Observer*? The trial of the first case comes on for decision on the 27th, and the second is fixed for the 28th. Mr. Collet did not appear in person. Mr. Honigberger was made a co-plaintiff in *Elias versus Hamilton*, as well as in that of *Collet versus Honigberger*, so that the only parties present were Elias, Hamilton, and Honigberger.—*Delhi Gazette*.

EXTRA-PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.—By a resolution of the Government of India in the financial department, dated Dec. 31, 1864, the Governor-general in Council is pleased to declare "that the appointment of a medical officer shall in future be regarded as a military or a civil charge, according as he may be nominated to it by the military or the civil department; his emoluments being audited and adjusted in the former case, in the military department, under military rules, and in the latter case, in the civil department, under civil rules. In cases, however, of the charge for any appointment being transferable, under this order, from the military to the civil department, or *vice versa*, the other shall, as regards such transfer of charge, and Budget provision for it, take effect from the next year, there being no object in giving it earlier effect so far as audit and accounts are concerned."

SIRHIND DIVISION.—It has been rumoured at Umballa that Lord George Paget is about to hand over the command of the Sirhind Division to Brigadier Welshman, and that he is to proceed to England to fill the office of General Inspector of Cavalry. It is further stated that he will accompany Sir Hugh Rose.

SLAVERY IN RAJPOOTANA.—It being customary in Kotah, Boondie, Hadowtee, and Meywar that every respectable man must have a few slaves and slave girls in his house, a tribe called Gunwarya, who are living in Rajpootana, are dealing in slaves. The general profession of the Gunwarya men is comb-selling, rope-making, &c., and wherever they can find any child alone they make away with it. The children thus stolen are sold in Rajpootana. Besides this there is another way of stealing the children in Rajpootana; that is, the Rajpoots of the above-named places make their old slaves and slave girls go about and steal the children. These people go about in the streets, and wherever they can find any boy or girl alone they walk away with them. These Rajpoots sell these children to their masters, under whom they are serving, and thus the poor children are kept slaves for their whole lives. The stolen children are generally kept in the seraglio of the rajas and chiefs, where no one has access to trace them. The Meena caste people are also stealing children and selling them as slaves. The political agents in Rajpootana are very good men, but what can be done when things are not brought to their notice?—*Delhi Gazette*.

MOVEMENTS AND DEPARTURES OF TROOPS.—H.M.'s 66th Regiment has been unexpectedly ordered home from the Madras Presidency. In consequence of this movement the 2nd Battalion of H.M.'s 10th Regiment, ordered from the Cape of Good Hope to Bengal, and appointed to the station of Hazareebagh in the annual relief, is now ordered to Madras, and the five companies of the battalion just arrived in the *Roslyn Castle*, and now in the standing camp in the esplanade, will be re-embarked for Madras as soon as shipping transport is available. The head quarters of the battalion are on their way from the Cape on board the ship *Copenhagen*, which may be daily expected. Messrs. Green's passenger ship *Renown*, of 1,293 tons, Captain Taylor, has been engaged by Government for the conveyance of troops to England at Rs. 256, Rs. 320, and Rs. 370 per head for men in health and according to the space required, and for invalids at Rs. 405 per head. The ship *Aliquis*, Captain Davidson, of 1,125 tons, consigned to Messrs. Gillanders, Arbuthnot and Co., has been engaged by Government for the conveyance of troops to England at Rs. 414 per head. The ship *Conflict* will take home a large number of invalids and time-expired men, under the command of Capt. C. J. Tyler, H.M.'s 80th Regiment, with three other officers doing duty for the voyage. H.M.'s 71st Highland Light Infantry have arrived at Chinsurah from Peshawur, and will remain at the former station until their embarkation on board the sailing ship *Victor Albert* and screw steamer *Mauritius*, which have been taken up by Government for the conveyance of the regiment to England. The head-quarters and some batteries of the 16th Brigade Royal, late Bengal Artillery, are ordered to proceed to England without being relieved by an artillery equivalent from home. The head-quarters of the brigade, under the command of Lieutenant-colonel Swinhoe, and two batteries, Major Francis's and Captain Dundas's, are at Barrackpore.—*Englishman*.

DACOITY IN NUDDEA.—Dacoity has become dangerously prevalent in the district of Nuddea. The district superintendent of police in Jessore has been despatched to that district with a detail of one sub-inspector, two head constables, and twenty constables, for the purpose of restoring confidence and arresting the offenders. Kishnaghar also will have its constabulary strengthened.

A NEW ROAD INTO ASSAM.—The Commissioner of Assam, Colonel Hopkinson, has proposed to Government to open a road through the Bengal Dooars, so as to connect Assam with the Presidency. The matter has been referred to Lieutenant-colonel Haughton for his opinion.

CIRCLE PAYMASTERS.—The work of the circle paymasters is being lightened by degrees, preparatory to the appointments being abolished as the present incumbents vacate. We (*Englishman*) mentioned a few days ago that, from this month forward, all officers drawing bills upon the Pay-officers would be obliged to make their own deductions, except in case of extraordinary retrenchments, which would be made by the Examiner's Department. From the 1st of this month, also, all stoppages whatever connected with regiments, which have hitherto been realised by circle paymasters, such as mess and band subscriptions, and awards of Courts of Requests, will be realised by commanding officers of regiments, the pay and allowances being made over in full by the paymaster. This is a judicious mode of teaching regimental and other officers to look after their own affairs by degrees, instead of suddenly throwing on their hands a quantity of work with which they have had no previous experience, which would have caused much inconvenience and confusion. All these changes—separately not of much apparent importance, but in the aggregate a great improvement—are the work of the English Financial Commissioners, of whose system they are constituents parts.

COTTON IN CENTRAL INDIA.—The *Central India Times* says: In our last issue we informed our readers that Mr. Temple was conducting Dr. Forbes, the Bombay Cotton Commissioner, through our cotton districts. We have since heard that during the last fortnight Dr. Forbes has inspected the three cotton marts of Hingunghat, Deolee, and Arwee, and has marched over a large portion of our best cotton tracts. The extent of the business done in cotton at Hingunghat exceeded the anticipations Dr. Forbes had formed; and after examining the quality of the cotton in the several yards, he pronounced it to be first class native cotton, surpassed only by the cotton produced in Dharwar, from the acclimatised New Orleans seed. Dr. Forbes carefully examined the cotton yards belonging to some eminent Bombay native firms, who have branch establishments at Hingunghat and Deolee; and he appeared seriously to apprehend that some of the Bombay men had imported the Bombay habit of mixing good cotton in the same bale with bad. From Hingunghat the Chief Commissioner's camp moved to Wurnatia, where a wealthy landowner, who has recently been raised to the bench of honorary magistrates, has made experiments in sowing acclimatised American seed. The experiments had laboured under some grave disadvantages, still the cotton turned out was fair, and much superior in length and strength of fibre to the indigenous cotton. Dr. Forbes considered the black land of the Wurdah district to be capable of producing cotton quite equal to the best staple of Dharwar, and much superior to Surats. He pointed out, however, that better culture, better cleaning, better packing, and greater care in bringing to market, were all necessary before Hingunghats could take and keep that position in the market for which nature had intended them. Dr. Forbes was peculiarly impressed with the lightness of the land revenue in our cotton districts, when compared with revenue paid by the Dharwar ryots. He seemed to be of the opinion, which we have always held, that the new revenue settlements are liberal to the people, and that the richness of the soil will soon ensure us a thriving and happy peasantry.

MEERUT COMMISSIONERSHIP.—According to the *Pioneer* there is a chance of the Meerut Commissionership soon becoming vacant. Mr. Comb is spoken of as likely to obtain the appointment. In this case it is probable that Mr. R. Drummond will succeed to the duties of Inspector General of Police.

NIMAR.—Waste lands are to be sold in Nimar under the Central Provinces rules. Whoever owns Nimar, nobody cultivates it.

PATNA, Jan. 18.—Ahmed-oollah's case is nearly settled. There is every probability of his being committed to the sessions. Messrs. Fagan and Mackenzie have been twice here from Calcutta to carry on the defence. All the Mahomedans in the station watch the proceedings with the liveliest interest. The witnesses for the prosecution are to be looked after for serious fears they have of being poisoned. The Duke of Brabant passed the Bankipore station a day ago en route to the North-western Provinces; he had a special train. This is the first time that Behar has been honoured with the presence of a scion of royalty. We regret the loss we sustain in Dr. Sutherland's services being placed at the disposal of the Government of India in the Military Department at his own request. He is, we hear, to be succeeded by Dr. Hutchinson, of Arrah. Patna is nearly empty to-day. All the civil authorities are at Tirhoot. Mr. Cockburn, the commissioner, and Mr. Trotter, the opium agent, have both preceded the Lieutenant-governor of Bengal to the show. The other civilians accompanied him to the same destination. They say that a famine is apprehended in Behar this year. Already grain of all sorts is selling dearer, and the *baniahs*, as a matter of course, are taking advantage of it.—Correspondent of the *Hurkaru*.

BEEF RIOT.—There has been a revival of the beef controversy in the North-West between the "bigoted" Moslem and the "mild" Hindoo, in which, as usual, the usual weapons of discussion, sticks, stones, and blows, have been freely used on both sides. This time the scene of debate is Mhow, and as a learned "special" traces its origin back to three hundred years of Indian history, the world shall not lose the benefit of his research. He says that during the reign of Jehangir, King of Delhi, about A.D. 1609, one Ubluman Singh, a Rajpoot of the Jutrun tribe, of Moneah Mehnugger, in this district, having separated from his brethren, owing to the inadequacy of the share allotted to him in his hereditary possessions, took service under that monarch, and on his having embraced the religion of Mahomet, Jehangir granted to him the whole zemindary of Aziungurh, which included upwards of twenty pergunnahs, under the title of Rajah Ubluman Singh, Ali Mahomed Nadir Dowlat Khan. From that period up to the time the Nawab of Oude resumed the grant, the Mahomedans had the supremacy over the Hindoos; but in 1801, when this district was ceded to the British, the Hindus taking courage came and resided there; since then there have always been feuds between both parties, giving great trouble, annoyance, and lots of work to the magistracy; the chief cause of these disputes emanates from the aversion of the Hindus to the Mahomedans slaughtering cows and bullocks, and the latter preferring a good beefsteak in spite of Hindu prejudices, insist upon doing so; the present dispute originates from the same cause; it appears that the Hindus were informed of the intention of some Mahomedans, that they were making preparations to slaughter a cow, they came in a great body and rescued the animal, at the same time giving a sound thrashing to an unfortunate weaver, who was casually passing by that way, en route to some bazaar to sell the produce of his labour; this poor weaver was accompanied by another of his brethren, who gave leg bail, leaving him to bear alone the castigation. The rest of the story is to be rehearsed in the court of the magistrate of the district.—*Hurkaru*.

ARMY COMMISSARIAT.—The following officers of the Army Commissariat Department are about to proceed on leave to Europe on medical certificate:—Majors W. J. Brander, J. R. Lowe, H. Mills, and J. E. Thomson; and Major E. J. Simpson, Assistant Commissary-general, at Lucknow, goes on medical leave to the Hills until next cold season.

"ACCIDENTS" BY EUROPEAN SOLDIERS.—Two instances recently occurred in the neighbourhood of Delhi, in which European soldiers appear to have shot Natives by accident. As a correspondent of the *Englishman* puts it in the first, a tame deer belonging to some village people was fired at, but the shot took effect on a man who was seven hundred yards away from the animal. The worst observation suggested in the case seems to be that the man was probably the most indifferent marksman of his regiment. In the next affair, the accidental nature of the occurrence seems greatly qualified by surrounding circumstances. The story runs thus:—It seems that the soldier obtained leave to visit the city (the camp being some distance away from the city), and, strange to say, he was allowed to carry a musket, or gun, with him. With this weapon he first commenced practising against the mud walls of a village; and on being remonstrated with by the inhabitants, he declared that he would do so as long as he pleased. Some policemen then went out to prevent it, and the soldier attempted to deprive them of their swords, but was unsuccessful. Two more constables then appeared on the scene, armed with their batons, and these attempted to bring the excited soldier to reason, but they had a struggle, during which the batons were taken away; and the soldier then turned upon the constables, who, it seems, were pursuing him, and attempted to fire at them, but his musket, or gun, missed fire. He then deliberately replaced the cap and levelled his piece at the foremost constable, who, seeing his determination, knocked down the barrel, and the ball entered his thigh; the wounded man expired soon after, from excessive hemorrhage. This is the survivor's version, and, true or false, the soldier has only his own evidence to bring forward in his defence—so that it is more than probable that he will pay the penalty of his folly.—*Hurkaru*.

CASHMERE.—His Highness the Maharajah of Cashmere had been entertaining the deputy commissioner and a party of gentlemen with some right royal sport near Jummoo. On the 29th December his Highness invited a large party of British officers to join him in a day's "hog-hunting" in one of his best preserves. The Maharajah rode out thirteen miles from Jummoo to meet the party, and conducted all arrangements for the sport in person. Major Mercer, the deputy commissioner, accompanied the party, and introduced the officers. At particular request all ceremony was dispensed with, and the Maharajah gratified every one by showing a desire to associate with English gentlemen as one of themselves and in the true spirit of a sportsman. He was well mounted on a large Arab, presented to him by the Viceroy, and handled the spear with the skill and determination of an expert "hog hunter." The riding of some of the officers was particularly admired. The largest boars fell to the spears of Captain Bayley, 7th Hussars, Captains Lasack and Boose, of the 93rd Highlanders, and Mr. Bruere, of the police.

LAUNCH OF THE STEAMSHIP "NADA."—During the height of the cyclone the unfortunate ship the *Govindpore* came into collision with a steamer, and was so injured that she swung round and sank, the steamer meanwhile drifted on to the bank, and remained there up to Jan. 22. The *Nada*, upon the top of the bank on this side of the river, offered greater difficulties in getting her afloat than even those encountered in releasing the *Bengal*. The ways were laid down at the ordinary slope, but it was found that the vessel only settled. They were then laid down at double the slope, and on Jan. 22 the ship slipped down into a position from which, with the commonest of efforts she can be dragged out into the stream. Everything was ready, and it was determined to ease off at twelve, so as to allow her to as-

sume an angle with the bund built on the river side of her; the shores had been knocked away, and everything was in readiness, when the ship thought proper to take matters into her own hands, and to dispense with the further services of the contractor or his coolies. The second mate and purser were on the bund side of the ship, watching the progress made by the coolies in the final preparations, when the mate, happening to look up, saw the ship trembling, and suspecting she was moving, threw himself, with admirable presence of mind, flat on the mud. His example was followed by all round; purser, calishies, and coolies, all sought mother earth—but they had scarcely done so ere the steamer passed swiftly down the ways, and luckily a chain, unable to bear the strain, broke, and so she passed over all the men, and not a single accident took place. Anything more extraordinary or more providential cannot be imagined. If the men had not thrown themselves flat, the ship would have destroyed them, and if, when down, the chain had not broken, she would have been arrested in her course, and would have settled down upon fifty men, whose only chance of life was in the breaking of that chain. The chain, however, so far, did its work, that it kept her head fast long enough to enable her to take exactly the position she was required to take. At the next springs the bund will be cut, and the steamer towed out stern first, without any trouble, as she is in a position now which would enable her to float if the bund were cut. Mr. Mitchell, of Ramkistopore, who took the contract to get her off for Rs. 20,000, has suffered about Rs. 3,000 loss in the breaking of the ways, owing to the swiftness with which the *Nada* launched herself. Considering her position on the crown of the bank, this was no more than might have been expected.—*Hurkaru*.

EXPEDITION UP THE SALWEEN.—Captain C. E. Watson is about to make a second attempt to penetrate to the source of the Salween, this time with better hopes of success:—"A letter from Tounsoo, dated the 19th December, reports that Captain C. E. Watson (of the Madras Artillery), whose first Salween expedition (last year) was interrupted by the interference of his Majesty of Ava's officials, has proceeded on his second attempt and reached Nyengyan (in lat. 20 N.), a large town across the British Frontier, in Burmah proper. Captain Watson is accompanied by Mr. Feddon, of the Geological Survey. The travellers, it is added, will shortly strike eastward to the Shan States, and hope to reach Theinnee (in lat. 23) in six weeks; and being now provided with a pass from the king, they anticipate no difficulty, or (as before) detention by the Burmese officials. On reaching the Salween at the highest point they can attain, Captain Watson purposes constructing rafts and floating down; thus returning by water, it is presumed, during the rains."

CASH BALANCES.—The following Statement of Cash Balances, as reported up to this date, in the Government Treasuries in India, at the close of the month of November last, contrasted with that of the previous years, has been published:—

According to the present limits of the several Governments.	1862. Nov.	1863. Nov.	1864. Nov.
Govt. of India	Co's Rs. 5,87,54,442	Co's Rs. 8,24,08,602	Co's Rs. 1,50,29,790
" Bengal	1,75,31,717	1,96,82,978	1,54,17,024
" N.W. Provinces	3,13,54,646	2,76,35,760	2,17,99,508
" Punjab	92,29,257	92,98,438	1,12,89,957
" Bombay	2,52,25,557	1,41,10,900	1,57,86,865
" Central Provs.	45,15,815	38,57,104	44,45,655
" Decan	10,15,912	18,24,032	11,23,443
" Madras	2,06,64,396	2,62,64,936	1,77,02,015
Total	16,84,59,802	13,50,81,855	10,28,55,257

The above represents a small rise in November as compared with the previous month of Rs. 37,75,592.

WATERSPOUTS IN THE PUNJAB.—A gentleman, engaged in the Great Trigonometrical Survey, furnishes particulars of certain phenomena observed by him during a journey from Dehra Doon to Sealkote in the summer of last year. He attributes the formation of the water spouts to the atmosphere being surcharged with electricity, as for a week previous there had been frequent thunder storms. On the day he took down his notes the temperature had been unusually warm and sultry, rain had fallen after 1 P.M. to the south and north at distances of seven or eight miles till 5 p.m., when great masses of clouds moving south to north, accompanied with rain and vivid lightning, accumulated at a short distance to the east of his position. It was at 5.30 P.M. when the great disturbance in the clouds took place; extensive masses being driven together; the water spouts were first observed descending out of one of the masses from which no rain was falling, and assuming the appearance which they retained for fourteen minutes, after which time the column to the north became small, and the southern one grew larger for about five minutes, when they both assumed the same shape, but got very thin and long; in another six minutes after, they, especially the southern one, lengthened out into a very fine column, converging towards each other till the ends nearest to the earth met at a height of two hundred feet from the ground; after this junction the column to the north dissolved, and the southern one assumed gigantic proportions; after which the spout changed its form so rapidly that no correct sketch could be made. When the waterspout attained its largest dimensions it was quickly absorbed up into the cloud with which it was connected, and from which torrents of rain immediately began to fall, accompanied with vivid forked lightning. The ground directly below these waterspouts was greatly agitated, for large and dense columns of vapour or dust—more likely the former, since the soil was still moist with recent rain—rose from the earth till they touched the ends of the waterspouts, with which they seemed to mingle. The colour of the waterspouts was exactly alike—viz., light grey, with a touch of neutral tint, which looked very remarkable against the dark sky beyond. The columns of vapour which rose from the earth followed the same oscillatory and gyratory motion as the waterspouts. The time of duration of this phenomenon from its first appearance to its ending was exactly forty-two minutes. The length of the columns or waterspouts at time of greatest convergency was 900 and 1,150 feet, and length of the southern spout when it assumed its largest dimensions was nearly 1,800 feet from the cloud to its extreme end, and their distance from the observer's position was a mile and a half.—*Hurkaru*.

CONSOLIDATED CUSTOMS ACT.—The Chamber of Commerce lately applied for a relaxation of sections 51 and 107 of Act VI. of 1863—the Consolidated Customs Act. The matter was referred to the Board of Revenue and the Collector of Customs, who reported that in practice the period allowed by law for discharging and loading cargo is sufficient. If a vessel is not cleared within this period, the delay is apparently either for the convenience or owing to the neglect of the ship's agents and consignees, and it is but reasonable that they should pay the extra cost for preventive officers entailed by their own act. The question was one which was specially considered when the Act was being drawn up, and the periods allowed for loading and unloading were most carefully fixed, on full deliberation and after strict inquiries. Under these circumstances his honour the Lieut.-governor thinks that the Chamber would admit that, in the face of the facts stated by the collector of Customs, the Government was not in a position to urge on the Government of India an amendment of the law.

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S BODY GUARD.—According to the *Hurkaru*, the days of the Governor-general's body guard are numbered. The Lahore Light Horse will assume the duties which have hitherto been performed by the former corps. So long as the Viceroy spends one-half of the year at Simla, the existence of a special cavalry guard for his Excellency is too expensive a luxury to be kept up. The change will probably take place on the retirement of the present commandant, Col. Delane. Should the Lahore Light Horse be selected to perform the duties of the body guard, we trust Colonel Crossman will be continued in the command. The fitness of this officer for the post is shown in his successful organisation of his present regiment. He has made smart troopers and good soldiers out of men who could not ride, and who were certainly far from giving any promise of their present efficiency and improved bearing.

H.M.'S 46TH REGIMENT, though not mentioned in the Relief for 1864-5, does, however, leave Rohilcund, where the corps in wings garrisons Shahjehanpore and Moradabad, this season for Lucknow. That portion of the regiment at Moradabad was to have commenced its march on the 9th January, but counter-orders have arrived temporarily postponing this arrangement. We now learn from Lucknow that H.M.'s 36th Regiment, which relieves the 46th, breaks into wings on the 23rd January, on which date the left, under a field officer, will march for Moradabad, and on its arrival there the wing of the 46th will soon afterwards, probably about the 15th February, start for Shahjehanpore, joining head-quarters, and the whole corps reunited, will quit that station about the 26th, reaching Lucknow early in March. The head-quarter wing 36th will be at Shahjehanpore.—*Delhi Gazette*.

GOOD SERVICE PENSIONS.—Officers of the Indian armies may be glad to learn that the benefits of an institution hitherto only available for officers of the Royal army are now open to them, and that one of their body has already been nominated as a recipient. We allude to the good service pensions given to officers of long and meritorious career, one of which, amounting to £200 a-year, has been conferred by the Secretary of State for India upon Colonel Colin Mackenzie, of the Madras army, but long and popularly known in Bengal in staff and political employ. The Secretary of State for India, in announcing the gift of this good service pension, paid a graceful compliment to Colonel Mackenzie's long and zealous services, extending over the greatest part of India and Afghanistan.

NATIVE JURORS.—The *Hurkaru* draws the attention of its readers to a case which lately occurred at Moorshedabad, where we have another instance of the way in which natives look upon the jury. A man was tried for having committed a murder: his guilt was patent to all; but the jury found a loophole of escape for him. They said in their verdict the accused had slain his victim without provocation, but they did not consider it murder, because he could have had no object in doing the deed. The prisoner seizes upon this finding, and petitions on the ground that the verdict of the jury amounted to an acquittal on the charge of culpable homicide. The High Court, however, supported the Judge, and snubbed the jury.

COAL IN THE DOOARS.—Colonel J. C. Haughton has been ordered by Government to send down some specimens of the coal referred to by Captain Lance when serving with the left centre column of the Dooar Field Force, in order that it may be analysed by Doctor Oldham. Colonel Haughton has also been requested to have a careful examination made of the coal-field said to exist in the vicinity of Sontabaree. It has been suggested that Doctor Fergusson might be employed on this duty.

CAVALRY HORSES.—One would imagine from the very cool, careless way in which the Government seems to view the subject, that the mounting of our Cavalry according to their size and weight, or the introduction of a breed of horses at all fit for Cavalry purposes, were matters of no importance whatever. During the early part of last year, and, in fact, before then, we, on several occasions, drew attention to the purchase at home of a "parcel of weedy platers" as they were well described to be, sent out for stud purposes, horses not likely to yield anything but a still more weedy and useless progeny. The question was much ventilated here, and our opinions were endorsed by those of many officers of experience and skill who knew what the requirements of the service really were, and that what was wanted for the Indian studs were not the rejections of Tattersall's, but good, strong, serviceable stallions likely to produce a serviceable progeny, horses, in fact, able to carry a British dragoon without knocking up just when they may be wanted to work. If it be from motives of economy that the Government are thus purchasing horses with which no one at home would have anything to do, it is very false economy indeed. It would be much better to go into the English market with something like open purse strings, and get the value, than to follow a course which must end in the complete deterioration of the breed of cavalry horses. As it is, a regiment of heavy dragoons here look as if they had been mounted, in an emergency, on some large sized ponies, and in a few years there will be no mounts for them at all.—*Englishman*.

BRITISH PRESTIGE IN NEPAUL.—Accounts from Nepaul are not very favourable to the maintenance of the *entente cordiale* between the British Government and the Nepaul Durbar. We hear of strange restrictions placed upon British officers, whose presence in the country the Durbar is obliged to tolerate in consequence of treaty stipulations, but who are treated in every other respect as if they were placed in the territory of a hostile power. It is stated that the interior of the valley is entirely closed to them, and they are not permitted to travel beyond a certain number of miles from the Residency. The British Resident and his friends may roam about within a certain prescribed limit, and on certain terms dictated by the Durbar. That limit and those terms may be respectively curtailed and altered as best suits the humour or the designs of the Nepaul Chief and his right-hand man, Sir Jung Bihadur. Entry into the Terai is permissive.

ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.—Mr. S. G. Wyatt, the First Assistant Accountant-general to the Government of India, is in a bad state of health, which will render it necessary for him to proceed to England on leave of absence on medical certificate for a period of a year and a-half. Mr. Wyatt leaves India in the ship *Renown*. The following acting arrangements are to take place in consequence of Mr. Wyatt's absence:—Mr. Gordon, Deputy Auditor and Accountant-general of Hyderabad, to officiate as First Assistant Accountant-general to the Government of India, vice Mr. Wyatt. Mr. E. Simpson Byrne, Chief Assistant in the office of the Accountant-general to the Government of India (now officiating as First Assistant Accountant-general) to officiate as Deputy Auditor and Accountant-general of Hyderabad, vice Mr. Gordon. Mr. George W. Mackel, Chief Assistant of the Civil Paymaster's Office, Fort William (now officiating as Fourth Assistant Accountant-general) to officiate as Chief Assistant in the Accountant-general's Office, vice Mr. Simpson Byrne.

THE REVENUE SURVEY BILL, against which so much discussion was raised and petitions were presented, has received the assent of his Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-general of India.

DR. AND MRS. MASON.—The unseemly litigation between Mrs. Mason and the Rev. E. B. Cross, of Tonghoo, which has brought such discredit on the noble Karen Mission, has, we are glad to see, at last been ended by compromise. Dr. and Mrs. Mason have paid Mr. Cross Rs. 2,000 to remove the buildings of the American Baptist Society from a piece of land granted to them by the Chief Commissioner of British Burmah, as the site of a Karen Educational Institute. The land is to be used by Dr. and Mrs. Mason for a Karen agricultural colony. There is room for both parties to do a good work among the Karens, and if the god-language theory is abandoned, the great success of Dr. and Mrs. Mason will not be forgotten by the Christian public.

CHOLERA has broken out on both sides of the river. It is very bad in the southern portions of the 24-Pergunnahs, and in the Tumlook division and about Mysadul. The Government, however, are fully alive to the necessity for exertion, and are taking measures with a promptness and earnestness equal to the occasion. Mr. McNeill has been appointed to see to matters in the districts affected. Two European assistant-surgeons have been deputed to superintend the operations of twelve native doctors. In addition to the above medicines are given with the most commendable liberality, and the agency of the police, the zemindars, and the respectable inhabitants is eagerly availed of, to place the medicines within the reach of the poor and needy.

MERIAH SACRIFICE.—Since the amalgamation of the Hill tracts of Orissa with the districts of Ganjam and Sambulpore, the practice of offering human sacrifices to the goddess Meriah has fallen into some desuetude. The Khoond chiefs themselves, for the sake of the reward granted by Government, prevented each other from following this diabolical custom. In this season of the year, the Hill people, in order to gain the favour of the goddess, and her interposition to prevent the spread of small-pox amongst them, were in the habit of offering her sacrifices, but the last report which has been submitted to the authorities shows that this year no sacrifice at all has been offered.

THE PUNJAB CLUB.—The increased price of living and gradual change in the social habits of Anglo-Indians has led to the establishment of the Punjab Club at Lahore, with a capital of Rs. 50,000, to be raised in Rs. 100 shares. Shareholders will be members without any additional donation. No one can take more than ten shares, nor dispose of his shares to any one not a member without the sanction of the committee. Members holding three or more shares will be entitled to receive their wines and stores imported direct from England at cost price. The profits of the club will be divided rateably among the shareholders. The monthly subscription will be, in Anarkulli, Rs. 5; in Meean Meer and Umritsur, Rs. 3; and in all other stations, Rs. 1. All officers of regiments marching through the station will be admitted as honorary members for seven days, paying no subscription. These are great advantages, and are likely to be realised. The club, however, is not started as a commercial speculation, but for the social benefit of the province. Mr. F. H. Cooper, C.B., is chairman, and Mr. Lepel Griffin, secretary. We believe it will find many imitators at large stations like Lucknow, Allahabad, Agra, and Delhi.

CROPS IN THE PUNJAB.—The accounts from the Punjab regarding the condition of the crops continue, we regret much to learn, very unfavourable, and the prices of every kind of grain are again rising in consequence. It has unfortunately been found necessary to close the canal for repairs. It was done under the full impression that rain would fall, as it usually does, about the commencement of January. The temperature had in some parts risen during the middle of January to March heat.

SERIOUS ROBBERY.—About the 17th December last a peon of the Punjabee caste arrived at the Jumna Bridge Station, in charge of twenty boxes of dollars, consigned by a Calcutta firm to some native dealers at Agra. According to the statement which the peon subsequently made to his masters, one of these boxes, containing dollars to the value of upwards of Rs. 5,400, was abstracted from the steamferry which plies across the river, pending the completion of the bridge. No information of the loss, however, was given at the time to those in authority; no outcry was raised on the steamboat; the man in charge counted his remaining nineteen boxes in silence, had them put on the train, and started for Agra. On arriving at his destination, he does not appear to have reported the circumstance at once, for many days elapsed before the police were put on the track, and, strange to say, no suspicious seem to have been entertained by his employers of a servant, who, to use a mild term, had shown himself so careless in looking after the treasure entrusted to him. Luckily for the ends of justice, some of the missing dollars have been found, and the men in whose houses they were deposited have been called upon to account for their share in the transaction. At present the actual thief remains undetected, but unless the Punjabee can give satisfactory reasons for his tardiness in reporting the loss, and for his present absence, we can only say that the case looks bad for him.—*Hurkarn.*

IDOLS AND PIGGERIES.—At the last quarterly meeting of the Calcutta Justices of the Peace it was resolved to borrow £10,000 for the erection of slaughter-houses, the profits to be formed into a sinking fund for the liquidation of the loan. It was stated that the present suburbs of Calcutta will soon be absorbed into the city, so rapid is its growth. Baboo Romanath Tagore raised the terrible question as to whether it would be penal for priests of Hindoo temples to slaughter before the idol. "Was there to be no exemption in their favour? Or else, it would be affecting the religious prejudices of the natives." Most irreverently Mr. Scholch replied that since "piggeries" had special licences he had no doubt that there would be an exemption in favour of religious institutions, part of whose ceremonial was to slaughter animals in their own premises, first as worship, and subsequently for consumption.

MUSULMAN LAW OF DIVORCE.—A curious appeal case was lately heard by the Privy Council illustrating the Mussulman Law of Divorce. Moonshee Buzul-Ruheem wished to divorce his wife, without which a second wife would not have him; but, at the same time, to keep the first wife's dowry, amounting to Rs. 26,000. He had two modes of proceeding, either by his own arbitrary act to repudiate his wife—a procedure called *tilaq*—in which case he must restore the dowry; or to divorce the woman with her own consent, which is *khola*, in which case he may keep the dowry to make any arrangement regarding it. After the divorce the woman must remain some months in seclusion, and be maintained by her late husband, till all chance of children has passed away. In the present case, the husband, by ill-usage of his wife, induced her mother to give up the marriage settlement, and so proceeded by the *khola* method, keeping the dowry. Both the Subordinate and Appellate Courts decreed the restoration of the dowry on the ground of force being used. It is not often that the secrets of the harem or zenana are thus unveiled.

THE BISHOP OF CALCUTTA spent the 5th and 6th January at Goruckpore, holding confirmation in English and the Vernacular, and visiting the Orphan Girls' School. He inspected the agricultural establishment at Busharatpore, where there are 150 native Christians, and distributed the prizes at the annual examination of the large Mission School.

GOING TO WAR FOR "AN IDEA."—Ruthen is a place near Jeypore, and rejoices under the administration of not less than a couple of rajahs, who have divided the province between them. These two, however, have fallen out, it appears, and all to obtain the Star of India. Each looked upon himself as the individual whom the Viceroy intends to honour when the next vacancy shall occur; but whilst one was making up his mind as to whether he should address Sir John Lawrence or not on the subject, the other forestalled him by despatching a modest request for the honourable appendage. The former, exasperated by what he chose to consider an impertinent interference with his hopes, declared war, and fell upon his neighbour with great violence. The Political Agent rushed to the spot in his capacity of peacemaker, and has succeeded in inducing the belligerents to come to terms.

STEAM TUGS ON THE HOOGLY.—Calcutta will soon have a very valuable addition to its steam tug fleet, in the arrival of the vessels of the Oriental Steam Tug Association. They will not arrive before they are needed, the cyclone having inflicted no greater inconvenience on the port than the loss of so many tug-steamers. The *Atlas* has already left England, and the *Mercury* will follow in a few weeks. These steamers have been surveyed by Captain Handley, who has reported upon them very favourably. They have been built especially for the work they will have to do, and the rough weather they will occasionally have to encounter.

FEMALE EDUCATION.—The progress of female education has been materially arrested in Bally, near Ooterparrab, owing to the heterodox principles of the deputy inspector of schools, who is a member of Bydlyashagore's School. The inhabitants of the place being orthodox look upon the widow marriage party with horror, and it is, therefore, absurd to suppose that they would co-operate with the Deputy Inspector in the advancement of education.

CHITTAGONG.—The Commissioner of Chittagong has been appointed chief officer of Customs in that port. From May to 31st December, 1864, the sale of waste lands in the Chittagong district comprised an aggregate of 56,209 acres, which, at an upset price per acre of Rs. 2-8, added Rs. 1,40,522 to the coffers of the State. The purchasers were J. Baumgarten, 36,969 acres; D. Fuller, 18,760 acres; and W. Sarson, 1,480 acres.

MR. JOHN BURNEY MORGAN, of the Bengal Civil Service, Joint Magistrate and Deputy Collector of the District of Dinagepore, proceeds on furlough for one year. Mr. Morgan arrived in India in 1856, and during the time of the mutinies, while studying under the Board of Examiners, served in the Calcutta Volunteer Guard, then commanded by Major Davis. He proceeds to England in March next.

PRICE OF TURBULENCE.—In consequence of the dangerous and turbulent character of the inhabitants of the Mohulla, Poorbeah Tolah, in Etawah, the Government of the N.W. Provinces has imposed upon them a charge of Rs. 67 per mensem for maintaining an additional police force.

BEHAR NORMAL SCHOOLS.—The Government of India has sanctioned the expenditure of Rs. 1,000 for the construction of each of the four new normal schools, the establishment of which in Behar has been lately authorised.

MYSADAL.—Mr. McNeile has been directed by the Bengal Government to make arrangements for affording relief in the district of Mysadal, where epidemic cholera is now raging with great violence.

The ship *Nimrod*, at Cossipore, one of the vessels wrecked during the cyclone, was sold on Thursday to Hadjee Hossein Ibrahim Bin Johur, for the sum of Rs. 20,000.

LANDOUR DEPOT.—The Hills advises Government to give up the present site of the Military Cantonment at Landour, for a spot better adapted to the wants of the Convalescent Depot. It now consists of scattered bungalows, placed at irregular intervals on the summits and slopes of two or three hills. These bungalows happen to be rented, and the money thus paid away amounts to a round sum at the end. Our contemporary recommends a line of barracks being built on the highest peak of Landour, at an elevation of nearly 8,000 feet, where a magnificent site exists, large enough to accommodate any range of edifices that might be erected for the purpose.

THE LOCUSTS are a real nuisance in Upper India, especially in the Punjab and Scinde, where they are always being destroyed, and always re-appearing. The other day a swarm made its appearance at Dadree—an Illaka presented to the Jheend Rajah for his services during the mutiny. The destroyers settled upon the paddy fields, and of course committed great havoc. The Rajah took every means in his power to encourage the ryots to undertake the destruction of the terrible visitors, but the damage done was so great that he has been obliged to remit a portion of the rents of the ryots.

SIR J. LAWRENCE AT SERAMPORE.—His Excellency the Viceroy and his family arrived at Barrackpore by steamer, on Saturday, Jan. 7, and with his staff attended divine service in the Serampore Church, when the Rev. J. Vaughan, of the Church Missionary Society, preached. Some weeks ago Sir John Lawrence, with one or two members of the council, visited the college, the tombs of Carey, Marshman and Ward, and other scenes famous in the history of the Serampore Mission and of Aldeen, long the abode of Henry Martyn and David Brown.

THE BRIDAL GIFTS FOR THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES.—The *Pioneer* recording the arrival of Sir Robert Montgomery at the Allahabad station, says that conspicuous among Sir Robert's baggage were two large iron-bound cases, containing the Wedding Present of the Punjab to the heir of England and his bride. Though the presence of a fifteen months' old baby may make the presentation seem somewhat late, the curiosity of the work, and its message of hearty loyalty, will ensure its gracious reception. Sir Robert is to be envied his commission.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.—During the past year the amount paid for compensation as sanctioned by Government amounted to upwards of Rs. 7,88,000, and this enormous sum was thus divided under each month. In January Rs. 9,428, February Rs. 53,872, March Rs. 11,038, April Rs. 87,756, May Rs. 155, June Rs. 7,083, July Rs. 13,151, August Rs. 1,30,453, September Rs. 40,463, October Rs. 52,899, November Rs. 1,63,801, and in December Rs. 2,18,031. The principal items of loss were set down to damages to cotton while in charge of the company; cotton destroyed, and cotton destroyed by fire; and amongst the heaviest items is that of "disasters of monsoon" (in 1863). The items for injuries to persons by the collision at Mahim in April last are very moderate indeed, being only something like Rs. 17,050, including compensation to friends of Byramjee Nowrojee, killed, Rs. 7,000; to a Parsee injured, Rs. 10,000, and Rs. 150 in addition paid to a man in consequence of injury received at an accident which occurred at Titwalla in September.

THE REV. J. C. HERDMAN, M.A., Senior Chaplain of St. Andrew's Kirk, will retire from the service in March. The Rev. Mr. Henderson, now stationed at Umballa, will be Mr. Herdman's successor, and a new chaplain is expected from England to take up Mr. Henderson's place.

MILITARY TRANSPORT ESTABLISHMENTS.—On the proposition of the local officers, and on the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief, the Governor-General in Council has sanctioned two permanent establishments of three sergeants, with rank, pay, and allowances as sergeant-majors, and a writer; and of one sergeant and a writer for the performance of all embarkation, disembarkation, and railway transport duties under proper officers at the ports of Calcutta and Mooltan.

SERONGE.—The Brigadier-general commanding the Gwalior district has asked the opinion of the agent to the Governor-general, Central India, as to the advisability of withdrawing the detachment of Native Infantry stationed at Seronge.

A GOORKHA SETTLEMENT.—The home Government has not as yet given up its idea of a Goorkha settlement in the British territory. It has now inquired what measures have been adopted by the India Government since 1858 for the settlement of a Goorkha colony.

PHILIBHEET.—The people of Philibheet having asked to have the provisions of Act 26 of 1850 extended to that town, the Lieut. governor of the N.W. Provinces has complied with their request, and appointed a Municipal Committee.

H.M.'s 17TH LANCERS embarked on board the troop ships *Windsor Castle* and *Agamemnon* on the 15th and 16th January.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 14. *Fleur de Lis*, Taylor, Mauritius.—15. *Aurora*, Maillard, Zanzibar.—16. *Roslin Castle*, Davidson, London; *Malabar*, Pearce, London.—17. *Atlet Rohoman*, Jones, Mauritius; *Eliza Bencke*, Jackson, Liverpool; *White Hall*, James, Sydney; *Nemesis*, Slade, Moulmein.—18. *Hydree*, Crichton, Bombay; *Carlisle*, Brown, Portsmouth.—19. *Flower of the Forest*, Banley, Liverpool; *City of Nankin*, McEwan, Glasgow; *Malton*, Eshamel, Coringa; *British Princess*, Whittle, Liverpool.—20. *Mary Shepherd*, Croot, King's Town; *Rhoda*, Ferrie, Liverpool.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per *Fleur de Lis*.—Mrs. Taylor.
Per *Roslin Castle*.—Maj. J. H. Crowe, v.c., Capt. F. B. Sandrith, Capt. J. Rudge, Lieut. A. R. Mountfort, Lieut. A. Fraser, Ens. N. E. Carr, Ens. B. P. Burgess, Ens. C. Natchbull, Asst. surg. J. Tucker.
Per *Malabar*.—Mr. Olpherty, Mrs. Olpherty, Capt. Macleod, 42nd Regt., Mrs. Macleod and three children, Capt. Shipley, 58th Regt., Mrs. Shipley, Mrs. Boyle and three children, Miss Boyle, Miss Anna Boyle, Miss Butler, Miss Neale, Miss Howell, Miss Constance Howell, Miss Spingler, Miss Welson, Mr. Henslinney, Mrs. Lloyd, Mr. Willis Lloyd, Master John Lloyd, Master Arthur Lloyd, Rev. H. D. Hubbard, missionary C.M.S., Mrs. Hubbard and child, Rev. A. P. Neale, missionary C.M.S., Rev. S. P. Hughes, missionary C.M.S., Mrs. Hughes, Lieut. Molloy, Bengal Inf., Lieut. Ridgway, Bengal Inf., Mr. T. Drew, 65th Foot, Rev. S. J. Hill, missionary L.M.S., Mrs. Hill and two children, Mr. Aubrey, Mrs. Aubrey, Mr. Goodrick, Mr. Greaves, Mr. E. G. Grenhill, Mr. Haward, Mr. Brown, Mr. Stevenson, Mr. Pinney, Mr. Reed, Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Muller, Elizabeth Daniel, Johanna Donovan, Emma Wyke, Rebecca Conolly, Mary Hassam, Maria Halliday.
Per *Atlet Rohoman*.—Mrs. Jones.
Per *Eliza Bencke*.—Mrs. and Miss Jackson, Mr. Jackson.
Per *White Hall*.—W. Serena.
Per *Nemesis*.—T. Dickens, Esq., senior magistrate of Calcutta.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 19. *George Kendall*, Bacton Castle.—23. Mail str. Bengal, —, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Bengal.—For MADRAS.—Miss Farmer, Miss Vincent, Mr. R. B. Fastredge. For SUEZ.—Col. and Mrs. Forest. For ALEXANDRIA.—Dr. F. Douglas, Capt. Slade. For Marseilles.—Capt. W. Tate, Capt. W. Perrie, Capt. Stansfeld, Mr. Currie, Mr. Griffiths, Sir R. Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. Cowie and infant, Mr. Baseni, Mr. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Howard. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. Alexander Gray, Mr. Silas Godman, Mrs. McMillen and child, Mr. M. Ironside, Capt. Macdonald, Lieut. Col. Parker, Mrs. Wills and three children, Mr. Marshall, Capt. Duff, Mr. John Goding, Mr. W. Rodford, two Misses Kenny, Mrs. Burney and child, Mr. W. Low.
Per str. Shannon.—For LONDON.—Major J. Triscott, Mrs. Triscott, and three children, Mrs. Mackenzie and five children, Mrs. King and three children, the Rev. Mr. Hill, Mrs. Hill and eight children, Dr. and Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Chrestien and four children, Mrs. Rose, Mr. O'Brien, Mrs. Oliver and child, Mrs. Billings and seven children, Miss Cockburn, Mr. Knighton, Lieut. Chapman, 54th Regt., Mrs. Cliff and five children, Mrs. Brown, Mr. Rowe, Mrs. Rowe and three children, Mr. Kirkham, Mr. Thomason, Mr. Simcoe, Capt. and Brevet major H. P. Bishop, Capt. J. Percival, Capt. M. M. Fitzgerald, Lieut. A. Swinton, Lieut. J. F. Blackwood, Lieut. M. J. Brown, Lieut. A. H. Murray, E. F. Chapman, Qmar. W. Cliff, Asst. surg. A. C. Gage, Asst. surg. A. Lewis.
Per str. Burnham.—For AKYAB.—Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Langlois, Mr. J. W. Costely, Mr. and Mrs. H. Reid and two children. For RANGOON.—Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kennedy, Mr.

and Mrs. Pennystone and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Schweitzer, Mr. J. Simpson, Capt. McMahon, the Rev. Mr. Crofton. For MOULMEIN.—Mrs. Nunery and two children.

Per str. Pioneer.—Major Patterson, Capt. Morton, Capt. A. Bruce, Capt. A. M. Patton, Lieut. and Mrs. Grey, Lieut. Sperling, Messrs. A. H. Gray, G. Leslie, C. Ryves, W. B. Trenwith, C. B. Smith, I. T. South, Thurston, I. Deleuso, P. Gomes, Mrs. Gorham, Mrs. Gregory.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, Jan. 23, 1865.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price.
4 per Cent. Sa.	Sa. Rs.	89 Rs. 10 0 to 10 4 1/2
Do. Transfer Stock.	Sa. Rs.	90
4 per Cent. Co.'s Rs.	94 1/2	9 to 9 1/2 dis.
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co.'s Rs. 100	3 8 to 3 10 pm.
5 1/2 per Cent.	Co.'s Rs. 100	9 to 9 1/2
5 per cent. 56-57	Co.'s Rs. 100	2 1/2 to 2 1/2 pm.

EXCHANGE.

	On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight	2 1/4 to 2 1/2
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight	2 1 to 2 1/2
Bills with Docs.	at 6 months' sight	2 1/4 to 2 1/2-16
Bank Post Bills	at 1 months' sight	2 0 to 2 0 1/2

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

	Stock.	Paid-up Rs. each.	Quoted at Rs.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	1400 to 1410	
Alliance Tea Company.....	85	10 to 12 pm.	
Assam Tea Company.....	200	595 to 530	
Balasun Tea Company.....	100	135 to 140	
Bank of Bengal	1000	1918 to 1925	
Ditto Interest bearing	4000	7900 to 8300	
Beerbhoom Coal Company	1000	560 to 555	
Ditto	200	Nom. to 17 1/2	
Bengal Coal Company.....	1000	1060 to 1060	
Bengal Printing Company.....	100	15 to 10 dis.	
Bengal River Company.....	1000	550 to 555	
Bengal Tea Company	100	240 to 243	
Ditto new paid-up	100	235 to 237	
Bengal Oil Company	250	par Nominal	
Bengal Credit Mobilier (Lim.) ..	100	90 to 95	
Bishnauth Tea Company.....	200	235 to 238	
Ditto new paid-up	200	230 to 232	
Bonded Warehouse Association	445	695 to 700	
British India Tea	80	par	
Burdwan Stone Company	100	75 to 80	
Cachar and Assam Tea Company ..	200	180 to 185	
Ditto (Contributory)	115	15 to 16 dis.	
Cachar Tea Company	600	730 to 735	
Ditto	400	50 to 55 pm.	
Calcutta Docking Company	700	1370 to 1375	
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	540 to 545	
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	53	52	
Central Assam Tea Company	100	95 to 98	
Central Cachar Tea Company.....	200	280 to 285	
Chatlawhar Tea Company	95	5 to 10 dis.	
Commercial Transport Association ..	100	par	
Dehra Doon Tea Company	100	90 to 92	
Delhi Bank Corporation	500	730 to 735	
Dooh Teria Tea Company	100	96 to 97	
Durrung Tea Company	45	5 to 4 dis.	
E. B. Indigo Company	100	75 to 80	
East India Coal Company	100	33 to 35	
East India Railway Company	218	216	
East India Tea Company	100	116 to 120	
Ditto	80	15 to 20 pm.	
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	120 to 125	
Ditto	75	15 to 20 pm.	
Eastern Bengal Railway Company ..	218	216	
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000	1450 to 1455	
Eastman and Company	250	220 to 225	
Equitable Coal Company	250	220 Nominal	
Ganges Steam Navigation Company.....	500	Nominal	
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	240	
Gola Ghaut Tea Company	250	315 to 316	
Goswery Cotton Mills	60	16 dis.	
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank.....	250	390	
Hooghly Steam Tug Company	1000	1210	
Hooghly Lighter Association	80	10 to 15 dis.	
Hope Town Tea Association	100	135 to 140	
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	105	
Howrah Docking Company	500	505	
Hunter and Company	250	200 to 220	
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	705	
Jorehaut Tea Company	200	745 to 750	
Kunchunpore Tea Company	1000	1250 to 1265	
Kurseong and Darjeeling Tea Co. ..	250	245	
Landing Shipping	100	90 to 25 dis.	
Leibong and Minchou Tea Company.....	65	par to 5 pm.	
Lower Assam Tea Company	35	par	
Luckimpore Tea Company	155	60 to 65 pm.	
Monacherra Tea Company	60	par	
Muttuck Tea Company	50	par	
Mutual Tea Company	100	122	
Ditto	70	18 pm.	
National Bank of India (Limited) ..	250	220 to 225	
New Fort Gloster Company	600	1400 to 1450	
Peoples Bank of India	100	75 to 80	
Punjab Bank	100	120 to 123	
Punjab Trading	75	10 pm.	
Puuksbarrre Tea Company	100	100 dull	
Ditto	37	par Nominal	
Ramghur Tea Company	100	par	
Ditto	65	par	
Royal Bank of India	200	143	
R. Scott Thomson and Company	500	500	
Screwing Company (Limited).....	200	82	
Sea Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.	
Seebaugor Tea Company	100	5 to 10 dis.	
Simla Bank	500	650 to 655	
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par	
Soom Tea Company	80	12 to 15 pm.	
Soorisore Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1510	
Ditto	750	460 to 480 pm.	
South Cachar Tea Company	100	78	
Spence's Hotel Company	250	20 to 25 dis.	

unlikely that Sir John Lawrence, who knows every village and foot of ground in the North-West Provinces, would not have had his opinion shaken as to the advantages of the settlement made in those provinces. That the events of the mutiny did not convert him to a belief in the virtue of a Zemindaree system is to our mind strong presumptive proof of the substantial success of Mr. Thomason's much abused settlement. At any rate, it is well to wait the issue of the inquiry in Oude before entering the lists as champions of the rights of the Talookdars.—*Bombay Gazette*, Jan. 28.

ANOTHER BAR GRIEVANCE.

HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Couch, the Hon. Mr. Justice Newton, and the Hon. Mr. Justice Warden.)

BEGUM SAHIB BIN LAXADHIR RAJAI DAULATRAI
v. SITARAM SHISHASTRI.

This was an appeal from Mr. Richardson's Court of Ahmednuggur.

Mr. Anstey and Mr. White appeared for the appellant, the Begum of Pint. Madharao Khrishna, a native vakeel, appeared for the respondent, and objected that the appeal ought to be heard in the other Court, where the vernacular language is used. He admitted that it was at his client's own application that the case had been set down in "the Barristers Court," and before "the Barrister Judge" (Mr. Justice Couch). His objection was overruled, and Mr. Anstey had opened the appeal, when the respondent's vakeel again stood up and applied for an order that the learned counsel for the appellant should not be heard unless they addressed the Court in a native language.

After some consultation, in the course of which it appeared that the acting Chief Justice (Sir J. Arnould) had made an order in June last for the respondent's naming an English Counsel, Mr. Justice Couch informed Mr. Anstey that the Judges would allow the objection unless he (Mr. A.) could show that it was unfounded.

Mr. Anstey claimed his right as a barrister-at-law, practising in the High Court, to address the Court, and all its subordinate Courts, in the English language. They were British, not Indian Courts. This was the first time in his experience that the objection had been entertained by the Bench. It was not the first time that it had been raised by native vakeels, but the pretension had always been scouted. A native vakeel, Mr. Dadabhai, had raised it in the time of the late Sudder more than once, to prevent that Court from hearing him, Mr. Anstey, but the Court had always rejected it. The Chief Justice had so ruled in at least one case here, and Mr. Kinloch Forbes was, he (Mr. A.) thought, present on that occasion. The same fate had occurred to a similar objection raised against his being heard in the Tannah Zillah Court, before Mr. Charles Forbes, the Judge of that Court. Indeed, all over India, since 1850, when Lord Dalhousie's Circular despatch for throwing open the Courts to the Bar of England was issued, this had been the practice; and it was so ruled in the celebrated case of *Regina v. Joti Parsaud* in that year, before the Zillah Judge of Meerut. The practice here was thus settled even before the amalgamation of the Supreme Court with the Sudder.

Mr. White also said that the practice had never been questioned, at least with success, in his time; and that he had learned from Mr. Justice Westropp that only once in the experience of that judge, when at the Sudder Bar, had the experiment been successful. It was at the beginning of Mr. Westropp's career, and, on that occasion, so much time was wasted in translating that learned counsel's speech into the form in which it had to be delivered by the interpreter, that the Court never again allowed another such application.

Mr. Justice Newton (who had gone into the other Court to consult Messrs. Forbes and

Tucker, Justices,) here returned, and said that they agreed with him in thinking that the practice was quite contrary to what the learned council had stated it.

Mr. Anstey: Gentlemen at the Bar are equally entitled to state their experience with the gentlemen who occupy the Bench, and I repeat that my experience is what I have stated it. The letters patent, however—

Mr. Justice Couch: We must follow the opinion of judges. We cannot hear any argument. We shall consult the other judges and lay down some rule for the future. In the meantime, as I understand you, Mr. Anstey, to refuse the help of an interpreter, we cannot hear this appeal.

Mr. Anstey said that he could not help treating what had happened as a very great disparagement and indignity offered to the Bar, and he should be unworthy of his position if he did not say so.

Mr. Justice Newton: We have on a similar objection compelled McCombie and other vakeels to speak in the native vernacular, in cases before us.

Mr. Anstey: What this Court or the Sudder may have done with Mr. McCombie, or any other of their own vakeels or officers, I do not care to inquire. I am not a vakeel; I stand upon my right as a barrister-at-law, whose privileges are recognised and enforced by the Letters Patent of 1862 and the Evidence Act of 1850.

Mr. Justice Couch: We cannot hear you at present. This case is adjourned.

The Court then proceeded to other business. Later in the day Mr. Anstey inquired whether the decision of the Court was that the adjournment had been ordered in the alternative of counsel not addressing them in the native vernacular. He asked this because the matter could not rest here, and might go before the Privy Council.

Mr. Justice Couch: No; we simply adjourn the case.

Mr. Anstey: How soon may we of the Bar expect the final resolution of the judges on this point?

Mr. Justice Couch: I cannot tell. I am going to direct a minute to be circulated, but when that minute will be considered I cannot say.

Mr. Anstey: In the mean time I cannot accept any briefs in like cases in this Court, unless under the express understanding that the parties know me to be very likely to be again declared *incapax* at the hearing. My present clients have every reason to complain of the expense to which they are put, and I shall certainly not expose others to the same grievance.

Mr. Justice Couch: That is their affair, not yours.

Mr. White: Surely the final resolution will not be taken without hearing the Bar.

Mr. Justice Couch: I cannot tell that, and shall make no promise, but I suppose not.

Mr. Anstey: Your Lordships have refused to hear me.

Mr. Justice Couch: Because we have no power to hear you.

Mr. Anstey then applied to have all similar cases postponed until after the resolution of the judges.

Mr. Justice Couch at first refused to do so, but immediately afterwards added that that was only fair, and no such cases should be set down.

Here the registrar (Mr. Raymond West) handed up some notes to the Court, and the judges having further consulted,

Mr. Justice Couch said: As for cases in which counsel are already retained, you know, Mr. Anstey, the vakeel will not be at liberty to gain the advantage of a similar postponement to that of the present case by withdrawing the brief from counsel.

Mr. Anstey: Surely he may, my lord. Why may he not forfeit the fee he has paid, with-

draw the brief, and then come here and object to counsel being heard on the other side, if speaking English?

Mr. Justice Newton read a rule of the old Sudder forbidding such practices in the case of English pleaders there.

Mr. Anstey: But barristers are not Sudder pleaders, nor is this the Sudder. We are out of that mess now.

Mr. Justice Couch: We shall be inclined, however, to adopt a similar rule.

Mr. Anstey: Not, I hope, in all points similar.

Here the matter dropped: and another case was gone into where Mr. White was for the appellant, and the native vakeel for the respondent in that case offered no objection to that gentleman's being heard, and he was heard accordingly.

At the close of that case Dr. Reid, who, in the meantime, had come into Court, informed their lordships, who were rising to go to tiffin, that he remembered the Chief Justice had, in a case where he was counsel, overruled a precisely similar objection of Mr. Dadabhoi, who—

Mr. Justice Couch: We cannot hear you on this point, Dr. Reid; we had rather consult the Chief Justice himself.

Dr. Reid: But this is what the Chief Justice himself said in my own hearing, and upon an objection to my being heard.

Mr. Justice Couch: You had better wait until you are asked for your evidence. If the Judges want to consult the Bar, they will do so.

Dr. Reid: My Lord, you have referred to the Bar and their experience, I thought to oblige your Lordships by letting you know the truth.

Mr. Justice Couch: You are interrupting the business of the Court.

Dr. Reid: I thought you were going to rise, or I would not have spoken.

Mr. Justice Couch: Well, so we are.

Then their Lordships went to tiffin.

—*Bombay Gazette*.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SUDDEN DEATH.—The *Times of India* records the death of Major John Bruce Dunsterville, who expired very suddenly on the morning of the 11th at the Clarendon Hotel. It appears that the Major and Mrs. Dunsterville had been staying at the Clarendon since their return from England, about a month ago, and up to that morning he was in the enjoyment of his usual health; but about eight o'clock he was seized with a fit of apoplexy, and in spite of the efforts of Dr. Haines and Dr. McGrath, who were instantly summoned, the unfortunate gentleman died in an hour afterwards. Major Dunsterville was formerly Major of the 4th Native Infantry (Rifles), and he saw much service in this country, having been in Sind for nearly fifteen years. More recently he was on the staff corps, and was lately appointed to the position of Registrar of the Bombay district—an office only recently established. He was very much respected, and his death will be deeply regretted by a large circle of friends. He leaves a widow and five young children, the latter of whom are in England.

MR. GARRETT, the Bombay postmaster, is transferred to Madras, and Mr. Stuart, postmaster of Madras, is transferred to Bombay. It is to be hoped that this arrangement will be conducive to the interests of the Bombay public, who have for too long a time been put to most serious inconvenience in consequence of the former gentleman and his immediate superior not being able to "pull together."

THE GRAND INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION HOTEL COMPANY is now in course of formation, and an eligible site having been given by Government, it is intended to commence operations forthwith.

SUICIDE AT SEA.—The captain of the ship *Kennington* forwarded on the 18th January, to the senior magistrate of police, an extract from the ship's official log, stating that on the 21st December the native ayah in attendance on Mrs. Edwards committed suicide by throwing herself overboard. It appears, from the tenor of the extract in question, that the woman had been in an excited state for some time previous to the act, and that her conduct during the voyage had led the captain and Mrs. Edwards to suppose that she was in the habit of using opium or some other intoxicating drug. Just before she committed the rash act she appeared to labour under the impression that she was to be thrown overboard, and in consequence, a boy was placed as sentry at the door of her room, as the key of it could not be found. She, however, burst out, ran aft past the steward, who tried to stop her by closing the door of the after cabin, and in a state of frenzy threw herself out of one of the after cabin windows before any one could prevent her; and though the ship was rounded to and search made for her, no traces could be found.

BANK OF BOMBAY.—At a meeting of the directors of the Bank of Bombay on January 26th a well-contested election for the vacancy on the board, caused by the resignation of the Hon. M. H. Scott, took place. Mr. G. Foggo, of the firm of Messrs. Forbes and Co., was proposed by Mr. F. F. Liddendale, and seconded by Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, Bart.; Mr. R. L. Tracey, of the firm of Messrs. Ritchie, Stuart and Co., was proposed by Mr. Premchand Roychund, and seconded by Mr. Forrest L. Brown. On the poll being taken, there was a large majority of votes in favour of Mr. Tracey, who was therefore declared duly elected a director of the bank.

THE EXHIBITION.—The promoters of the Eastern Exhibition have formed a building Committee, with A. K. Forbes, Esq., as chairman, which will superintend the management of the building. A committee is also formed for India, one for China and Japan, one for Australia and the Cape, one for Persia and Egypt, one for Europe to correspond with the London commission, and one for America corresponding with the New York commission. A district committee is formed for regulating the arrangement of all the articles in the building, and Government has been applied to in order to form official committees throughout India. Travelling secretaries will be appointed. This is showing that the promoters and secretaries have the ability to grasp at once the necessary arrangements.

MR. DALZELL.—One would not suppose it possible for a man whose daily duties bring him into unpleasant contact with all classes engaged in commerce to establish many friendly relations with them. In Sind, however, there has been an official of this kind, one whose retirement from the disagreeable position of Customs collector draws forth an expression of regret from those whose goods he has taxed and appraised, whose packages he has seized and sold up by auction. Mr. Dalzell is the gentleman in question, who, on his promotion to a superior appointment in Bombay, receives the following tribute from the trades of Kurrachee:—"You have done much to benefit the mercantile community of Kurrachee as the chief of the Customs Department for the last ten years, not the least of your acts being your successful endeavour to remove the Custom-house from Keamaree to the Upper Bunder, where a substantial building now marks the boundary of the Bunder and the town. You have contributed largely to facilitate the export and import of goods in opening a new Bunder and in keeping it clean and orderly. Our smallest grievances were made known to you and your decisions were received with confidence and satisfaction, knowing that these were arrived at after a patient hearing and given without partiality, fear or favour."—*Hurkaru*.

MEDICAL PROMOTIONS.—The recent despatch from the Secretary of State on the "medical department" reorganisation will cause the promotion of the following medical officers:—To be surgeons: Assistant-surgeons—C. Thomason, J. Glen, R. W. James, T. M. Lounds, H. O. Thorold, M. M. Mackenzie, A. M. Rogers, T. E. P. Martin, J. P. Stratton, J. Lumsdaine, W. J. Moore, and W. A. Shephard. These officers have all completed twelve years' service as assistant-surgeons. Their promotion will be made, however, from the date of receipt of the Secretary of State's despatch. The following medical officers will become entitled to their promotion to surgeons during the present year:—Assistant-surgeon H. J. Gane, J. M. Barnett, C. G. H. Ross, F. D. Stedman, J. H. Sylvester. Numerous retirements of the upper crust of the local Bombay medical department are rumoured as likely soon to take place.

TOM TIDDLER'S GROUND.—We in Bombay are destined to observe, not unfrequently, a verification of the saying as to the philosopher's stone turning stones, instead of the baser metals, into gold. We have seen the Mahaluxmee hill, originally of the value of between forty and fifty thousand rupees, sell for fifty-four lacs, and a Bania gentleman's estate at Worlee, which was estimated on the apportionment of the family property at six thousand rupees, sell two months ago for twenty lacs. We have heard of a Hindoo gentleman, the owner of a hilly estate in Salsette, being offered a hundred-fold more than the price he paid for it half a dozen years ago. And we now hear that Mr. Mahomed Syed Purkar has sold an ancestral hilly estate near Chinboor for five and a half lacs of rupees to the Victoria Financial Association, and that the same gentleman a few days subsequently to the sale received another offer of ten and a half lacs for the same property.—*Times of India*.

A FORGERY upon the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London, and China, to the extent of Rs. 47,000, has been discovered. It appears that the above amount stood in the bank's books in the name of one Rahimtoola Dossa, a Khoja merchant now deceased. It was drawn some days ago by two cheques for Rs. 24,000 and Rs. 23,000 respectively, purporting to be signed by Rahimtoola in the native language. The relations of the deceased now claim the amount, alleging that the two cheques in question are forgeries. Two of the Bank's employees were taken into custody on suspicion, one of them being subsequently released on bail. The matter is being enquired into.

RELIGIOUS MUNIFICENCE.—A large crowd of Bhattias and other Hindoos lately left Bombay by steamer for Pallitana, to be present at the inauguration of a temple built there at the expense of Mr. Kessowjee Naik, head broker to Messrs. W. Nicol and Co. It is stated that the temple alone would cost about £100,000, but Mr. Kessowjee is also to defray the expense of conveying all the pilgrims to Pallitana, besides giving them feasts, at his own expense, for the four or five days of their sojourn in that place. Some of their Bhattia shettis, it is said, will also take their turn in giving feasts to the Pallitana pilgrims, the probable number of whom is estimated at 20,000.

THE LONDON AND BOMBAY BANK is likely, after all, to become one of the institutions of Bombay. Mr. McEwen and Mr. Allaruckia Peerbhoy have been set aside altogether, and a strong board of London directors has been formed, including Sir E. Pearson, Sir Henry Leeke, Sir T. Parkyns, Bart., Mr. E. Collins, Mr. Thornthwaite, Mr. A. Schoales, and others. It has been arranged that the business in Bombay shall be placed under the control of Dr. Bhau Dajee and his two native colleagues, and that a skilled manager shall be sent out forthwith from London.

GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE.—On Friday, 13th Jan., a large number of the graduates and students of the Grant Medical College assembled together in the College Theatre, for the purpose of presenting Dr. Peet, their late highly-respected principal, with addresses and other testimonials. Dr. Carvalho occupied the chair on the interesting occasion, when an address, beautifully engrossed on velum, was read from the graduates and also one from the students. The former presented their worthy preceptor with a handsome service of plate, and desired him to sit in England for a bust, which they intend to place in the college-hall, and the students presented the worthy doctor with a gold watch. Dr. Peet made a suitable reply to both presentations.

A NEW HOTEL COMPANY has been started in Bombay. It it proposed to have the hotel on the Calcutta, Westminster Hotel, and Alexandra Hotel models, to have reasonable charges, cleanliness, civil servants, good cookery, and proper conveyance for the visitors. The discomfort attendant on all the hotels now existing is very great; and with the great and daily increasing influx of strangers, we see no reason to doubt that not merely one, but several hotels in different localities would pay in Bombay, if well and efficiently managed. We believe it is intended to make this both a general and private hotel.

MR. PREMCHUND ROYCHUND, on the 24th January, with his wonted liberality, released twenty-one of the civil prisoners on the debtors' side of the County Gaol, his friend Dr. Bhow Dajee handing over to the Marshal, Mr. Lake, nearly Rs. 4,000 for this purpose. The poor fellows left the gaol about 3 o'clock, when they gave three hearty cheers for their liberal benefactor. We understand that Mr. Premchund has been recently presented with a son, and the above well-timed act of charity was bestowed on that occasion.

SALE OF SHARES BY AUCTION.—On Saturday afternoon, 14th Jan., 12,500 shares of the Eastern Financial Association were sold by public auction in the offices of the association in Medow-street, by Messrs. Crawford and Co. They were disposed of at from 42 to 45 rupees per cent. premium; the amount realised by the transaction being about Rs. 21,75,000.

TIGER-SHOOTING.—We learn that H. H. Meer Ali Morad shot a very large tiger the other day in the Larkhana districts. It appears the Collector, Major Dunsterville, and a party had gone out in search of the animal, but failed to come across it.—*Sindian*.

DR. HAUG has tendered his resignation. Since the Government service offers him no prospects, he has resolved upon quitting it altogether. He intends to leave India for good early in the next year, and return to Germany.—*Poona Observer*.

TRINITY CHAPEL.—The members of the Trinity Chapel have presented a purse to their faithful and highly-respected pastor, the Rev. C. D. DuPort, M.A., as a New Year's gift; being a slight token of the very high esteem in which he is held, and for his valuable and pastoral services among them.

THE HULK OF THE "SYDENHAM," as she lies on the rocks, was submitted to public auction by Messrs. Menesse and Co., and was purchased by one Ebram Ramjee, a Khoja merchant, for the sum of Rs. 7,500.

MR. J. W. ORR, clerk to the Hon. the Chief Justice of her Majesty's High Court of Judicature at Bombay, has obtained six months' leave to proceed to England by the first mail of February. It is stated that Mr. Watkins will act for him.

MR. A. W. FORDE, late resident engineer in the employ of the Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway, has, we learn, been appointed as engineer to the Frere Land and Reclamation Company, on a salary of Rs. 1,500 per mensem.



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BENGAL.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

Dec. 20.—Dr. S. G. Chuckerbutty to the medical charge of the new Small-pox Hospital at Chitpore.

Dec. 28.—Lieut. col. J. C. Haughton is vested with the powers of a sessions judge in Cooch Behar.

Jan. 6.—Dr. A. Christison, offic. principal asst. to the opium agent of Benares, is confirmed in that appt.

Mr. T. Smith, asst. comr. of Govindpore, is vested with the powers of a mag. in Maunbhoom.

Jan. 7.—Mr. W. Cornell to offic. as mag. and coll. of Noacolly, during the absence on leave of Mr. G. A. Pepper.

The Rev. F. C. Viret to be chaplain of Dacca.

Jan. 9.—Dr. R. F. Hutchinson to be civil asst. surg. of Patna.

Dr. J. J. Durant to be civil asst. surg. of Shahabad.

Mr. J. Belchambers to offic. temp. as district supt. of police of Cachar, with effect from Sept. 30 last.

Mr. A. C. Brett to be an asst. mag. and coll. of Monghyr. Mr. Brett is vested with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class, and the powers of a dep. coll. in that district.

Mr. H. Beveridge is vested with the powers of a mag. in Cooch Behar for the trial of offences under Act 1 of 1849.

Jan. 12.—Mr. R. T. Sevestre, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of the 24-Pergunnahs, is temp. transf. to the sub-div. of Baraset.

Mr. E. C. Mason, junior sub asst. revenue surveyor, is posted to the 5th or Chittagong div., with effect from Nov. 23 last.

Jan. 6.—Leave of absence:—

Dr. T. Parker, medical officer of Pubna, for 1 mo., from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave, making over charge of his duties to the native doctor of the station.

Mr. H. W. Barber, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Noacolly, for 1 mo., from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave.

Mr. J. D'Cruz, dep. mag. of Serampore, for 1 mo.

Jan. 10.—Mr. E. F. G. Lingham, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Malda, for 1 year, without pay, from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave.

Jan. 12.—Mr. C. W. Hawes, uncovenanted asst. to the comr. of Cuttack, for 1 mo., under para. 16 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules, from the 1st inst., or any other date on which he may avail himself of the leave.

Mr. E. P. Armstrong, asst. superint. of police, Furreedpore, for 1 mo., under para. 16 of the Uncovenanted Absentee Rules, from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave.

Jan. 13.—Mr. H. Dawson, offic. dist. superint. of police, Malda, for 3 mo., under par. 11 of the Uncovenanted Absentee Rules.

Mr. W. G. Deare, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Magorah, for 15 days, under para. 16 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules, from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave, making over charge of his duties to Baboo K. C. Banerjee, dep. mag. and dep. coll. This leave is granted in supersession of that sanctioned under orders of the 14th ultimo.

Jan. 9.—Dr. G. A. Watson was in charge of the civil medical duties of the station of Dacca from Nov. 15 to the date on which he was relieved by Dr. Archer.

The following orders issued by the Govt. of India in the Home Dept. are republished for information:

Jan. 12.—No. 363.—The services of Asst. surg. C. E. W. Bensley, M.D., civil surg. of Raepore, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

No. 366.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Mr. T. N. Wilson, C.S., reported qualified for the public service, to the Bengal div. of the Pres. of Fort William.

The following orders issued by the Govt. of India in the military dept. are republished for information:—

Jan. 10.—No. 41.—The services of Lieut. P. H. M. Wynter, of the late 32nd regt. N.I., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

Jan. 12.—No. 50.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 1,004 of 9th inst., the services of Surg. W. B. Beatson, M.D., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

No. 51.—The undermentioned officer is admitted to the Bengal Staff Corps, with effect from the date specified opposite to his name, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. E. G. Lillingston, H.M.'s 71st foot, asst. comr. of Lohardugga; Nov. 17, 1863.

Jan. 16.—Mr. H. W. Stevens, local asst. engr. of 2nd class, from the Behar (local road) to the Tirhoot div.

Mr. J. Robinson, prob. asst. engr., from the Burakur to the Behar (local road) div.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR, N.W.P.

Dec. 24.—No. 659.—Mr. H. C. Barstow, asst. magis. and coll. at Agra, is transf. in his present capacity to Muttra.

No. 662a.—Under sec. 38 of Act XXV. of 1861, the Hon. the Lieut. gov. is pleased to invest Mr. F. Henvey, asst. magis. at Muttra, with authority to hold the preliminary inquiry into cases triable by the Court of Session, or by any Supreme Court of Judicature, and to empower him to commit or hold to bail persons to take their trial before such Court of Session or Supreme Court of Judicature, and to exercise all the powers necessary for such purpose.

Dec. 27.—No. 982a.—The serv. of Lieut. H. A. C. Plowden, offic. asst. district superint. of police at Allahabad, are placed at the disp. of the Govt. of India, in the public works dept.

Dec. 26.—No. 1,545a.—Mr. C. Twigg is appd. to be an asst. in the settlement dept. of the 4th grade, in the Etah district, on a salary of Rs. 600 per mensem, as a temp. arrangement.

No. 1,558a.—The following addition is made to the notification No. 1,428a, dated Dec. 2, 1864:—

Mr. C. A. Daniell will be employed as settlement officer in the district of Deyrah Dhoon.

Dec. 26.—No. 3,962a.—The Rev. C. W. Cahusac, M.A., whose serv. have been placed at the disp. of this Govt., is appd. to be chaplain of Jhansi.

Dec. 28.—No. 3,992a.—Three mo. priv. leave is granted to Mr. A. Sells, asst. magis. and coll. of Etawah, with effect from March 25 next.

Dec. 29.—No. 5,786a.—Leave of absence on m.c. to Eur., for two yrs., with 20 days' prep. leave, to enable him to proc. to Calcutta, is granted to Mr. W. A. Basevi, civil div. engr., Benares (revenue) div.

No. 5,787a.—Mr. W. Kelley is appd. to offic. as civil div. engr., Benares (revenue) div., during the absence of Mr. W. A. Basevi, and from such date as he may relieve that officer of his duties.

Jan. 5.—No. 6a.—Capt. the Hon. W. Fraser, district superint. of police at Saharunpore, to offic. as district superint. of police at Allygurh, during leave of Maj. Hallett.

No. 7a.—Mr. J. W. Williams, at present offic. as district superint. of police at Allygurh, is app. to be an asst. district superint. of police of the 1st grade, with effect from date of Lieut. Strong's resignation.

Jan. 6.—No. 13a.—In modification of the notification in the police dept., No. 231a, dated April 27 last, Maj. J. J. Eckford is app. to be district superint. of police at Mirzapore, and Lieut. F. A. C. Knyvett to be district superint. of police at Agra.

Dec. 29, 1864.—No. 4,008a.—3 mo. priv. leave is granted to Mr. H. Fane, judge of Mirzapore, from the 1st prox.

No. 4,009a.—Mr. H. Lushington, offic. mag. and coll. of Moradabad, is app. to offic. as judge of Mirzapore, during leave of Mr. Fane.

No. 4,010a.—Mr. R. Manderson will offic. as mag. and coll. of Moradabad.

No. 4,012a.—Asst. surg. C. Prentis, offic. civil asst. surg. of Mynpoory, is app. to be civil asst. surg. of that station, with effect from date of Dr. Barnard's promotion to the rank of surg.

No. 4,014a.—The Hon. the Lieut. gov. has been pleased to appoint Asst. surg. G. S. Sutherland, at present in med. charge of Nynee Tal, to be superint. of vaccination in the Benares division, including Goruckpore, from the 19th inst.

Jan. 2.—No. 3a.—Priv. leave for 1 mo. and 20 days is granted to Mr. G. E. Lance, offic. judge of Cawnpore, from Jan. 1.

No. 4a.—Mr. B. Sapte will offic. as judge of Cawnpore during leave of Mr. Lance.

No. 5a.—Mr. J. W. Sherer will continue to act as judge of Ghazepore, as a temp. arrangement.

Jan. 3.—No. 29a.—Mr. J. T. Ludovicus is app. to be a district registrar in the Goruckpore district, as a temp. arrangement, from 1st inst.

No. 32a.—The Lieut. gov. is pleased to make the

following appointment as a temp. arrangement whilst the camp of his Honour remains at Agra:— Surg. maj. Hastings, garrison surg. of Agra, to have med. charge of his Honour the Lieut. gov.'s camp.

Jan. 4.—No. 41a.—Asst. surg. H. Kelsall, H.M.'s 20th foot, assumed charge of the civil med. duties at Nynee Tal on the 26th ult.

Jan. 5.—No. 56a.—Rev. E. H. Blyth, M.A., whose services have been placed at the disposal of this Govt., is app. to offic. as chaplain of Chunar.

Allahabad, Jan. 2.—No. 2.—With reference to Notification No. 2,878, dated Dec. 9, 1864, Lieut. B. J. Parsons, asst. engr. 1st class, in temp. charge of the Allygurh div. Ganges Canal, rejoined his appt. in the Meerut div. Ganges Canal, on the 8th idem.

Jan. 4.—No. 22.—With reference to Notification No. 5,068a, dated Nov. 8 last, Mr. W. C. Hennessy, asst. engr. 1st class, joined the Cawnpore and Jhansie Road, on Dec. 10, 1864.

No. 23.—The fifteen days' priv. leave by the Superint. Engr. 1st Circle to Major E. D. R. Ross, exec. engr. Roorke and Dehra Road, with effect from the 16th ult., or from such date as he may avail himself of it, is confirmed.

No. 24.—Mr. L. H. C. Armstrong, probationary asst. engr., was relieved of his duties on the Bundelkund Road div. on Dec. 1 last, and joined the Agra and Bombay Road on the 12th idem.

Jan. 5.—No. 30.—With reference to Notification No. 2,840, dated Dec. 3, 1864, Major Sir E. Leeds, Bart., exec. engr. 2nd class, assumed charge of the 3rd div. Grand Trunk Road on the 20th idem.

Jan. 14.—No. 23a.—Three mo. priv. leave of abs. is granted to Mr. C. W. Bradford, coll. of Customs at Jhansie, with effect from Oct. 29 last.

No. 24a.—Mr. E. W. Parsons, Customs patrol, in charge of the Customs House at Jhansie, is appd. to offic. as coll. of Customs at that station, during abs. on leave of Mr. Bradford.

Jan. 9.—No. 78a.—The notification in this dept., No. 56a, dated 5th inst., by which the Rev. E. H. Blyth, M.A., was appd. to offic. as chap. of Chunar, is hereby cane.

No. 80a.—Dr. C. Hatchell, asst. surg., 34th N.I., was in med. charge of the civil station at Jhansie, and also in charge of the jail of that district, from Nov. 7 to Dec. 6, 1864, inclusive.

Jan. 10.—No. 86a.—Mr. W. E. Neale, offic. asst. comsnr. in the Jhansie div., is transf. to the Meerut dist., as asst. to the mag. and coll.

Jan. 12.—No. 102a.—Asst. surg. W. Watson, M.B., whose services have been placed at disposal of this Govt., is appd. to be supt. of vaccination in the Allahabad and Jhansie divs.

No. 104a.—Asst. surg. R. R. Scott, in med. charge of the convalescent depot at Nynee Tal, received charge of the civil med. duties at that station on Dec. 19, 1864.

Jan. 14.—No. 122a.—With the consent of the officer comdg. at Jhansie, Dr. J. R. Murray, asst. surg. 107th regt., in med. charge of B batty, 22nd R.A., at Jhansie, is placed in charge of the civil med. duties of that station, with effect from the date on which he relieved Dr. C. Hatchell.

Jan. 6.—No. 80a.—Mr. F. B. Pemberton, civil divl. engr., Jhansie (revenue) div., is transf. to the Agra (revenue) div.

No. 83a.—The resignation of his appt. by Mr. W. Bailey, asst. acct. 2nd class, from Dec. 21, 1864, is accepted.

Dated Allahabad, Jan. 9.—No. 50.—With reference to notification No. 5,386a, dated 6th ult., Mr. P. Caffery, special asst. engr., joined the 5th div. Grand Trunk Road on the 9th idem.

No. 51.—With reference to notification No. 4,345a, dated Sept. 27 last, Mr. E. Battie, exec. engr., 3rd class, assumed charge of the Cawnpore div. Ganges Canal, on Dec. 21 last.

No. 52.—Mr. A. Brind, special asst. engr., late in temp. charge of the Cawnpore div. Ganges Canal, is posted to the Allygurh div. Ganges Canal, as an asst.

Jan. 10.—No. 63.—The one mo. leave granted by the superint. engr., 3rd circle, without pay, to sub overseer Pershad Lal, of the Gwalior div. public works, from such date as he may avail himself of it, is confirmed.

Dated Camp Agra, Jan. 11.—No. 143a.—Mr. W. B. Macrone, asst. engr., is appd. to offic. as exec. engr. Boolundshuhur branch Ganges Canal, during the abs. of Mr. J. Hair appd. to offic. as exec. engr. Allygurh div. Ganges Canal.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR PUNJAB.

Dec. 24.—No. 1,122.—Mr. S. C. Holbrow, offic. asst. district superint. of police, from the Rohtuck

to the Lahore district, from the date of his being relieved of his duties at Rohtuck.

Dec. 30.—No. 692.—Leave.—Mr. W. N. Chill, asst. patrol Salt Dept., has obtained priv. leave of absence for 1 mo., with effect from the date of his availing himself of the same.

No. 693.—Mr. C. Weldon, asst. patrol, Salt Dept., has obtained leave for 1 mo.

No. 694.—Appts.—Mr. A. M. Blaney, is appd. an asst. patrol in the Salt Revenue Dept., in the room of L. N. Doss, dec.

Jan. 2.—No. 10.—Transf.—Mr. Apothecary T. Nulty, from Hoshiarpur to the medical charge of Sirsa.

No. 17.—Leave.—Mr. P. S. Melvill, comr. of Umritsur, has obtained the usual leave of absence under clause 3 of the new C.S. leave rules, prep. to his proceeding on furl. to Eur.

Jan. 3.—No. 38.—Punjab Gazette order No. 2,249, dated Nov. 21, 1864, transfg. Capt. J. C. Horne, asst. comr., from Rohtuck to Umballa, is cancl.

Dec. 26.—No. 4,881.—Leave.—Lieut. col. R. MacLagan, R.E., secy. to Govt. Punjab, Public Works Dept., has 1 mo. leave, from Jan. 10 next, to presidency, prep. to England on m.c.

Dec. 27.—No. 4,887.—The charge of the road from Kalka to Simla and Nag-Kunda is tempy. added to the Hill Roads div.

No. 4,888.—Transf.—Maj. W. T. Brown, C.B., asst. engr., Mr. J. W. V. Yule, asst. engr., and Sub conductor A. Gibson, supervisor, are transf. tempy. to the Hill Roads div.

Jan. 5.—No. 17.—Capt. C. Beadon, asst. comsnnr., is appd. a cantonment mag. of the 2nd class, and posted to Mooltan.

Jan. 3.—No. 47.—The Rev. H. Murray, chaplain of Meean Meer, has obtained 8 weeks' leave of absence prep. to applying for furl. to Europe.

Jan. 4.—No. 49.—The services of the underment. officers are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India, in the foreign dept., for civil employment in Berar:—

Lieut. P. W. Powlett, asst. comsnnr. 2nd class.

Lieut. F. W. Grant, asst. comsnnr. 3rd class.

Jan. 3.—No. 4,930.—Mr. G. H. Dupuis, asst. engr., from Sutlej Inundation Canals to Western Jumna Canal.

Jan. 4.—No. 4,971.—Lieut. G. Swinton, exec. engr., Rohtuck div., received charge of the Hansie div., Western Jumna Canals, in add. to his other duties, on Sept. 21, 1863.

Jan. 5.—No. 10.—Lieut. H. J. Lawrence, doing duty officer 1st Punjab inf., is appd. to offic. as doing duty officer of the 5th Goorkha regt., as a temp. arrangement.

Jan. 4.—No. 12.—Mr. J. P. Warburton, offic. asst. district superint. of police, is app. permanently an asst. district superint. 5th grade 2nd class, with effect from Jan. 1, v. Mr. A. R. Hutton, removed to Oude.

Jan. 9.—No. 45.—Transfer.—Mr. S. C. Holbrow, offic. asst. district superint. of police, from the Lahore to the Jullunder district.

Jan. 11.—No. 52.—Mr. C. E. Powell, offic. asst. district superint. of police, to officiate in the room of Mr. R. Kinchant, offic. district superint. of police, from such date as Lieut. col. E. S. Denniss may assume charge of his duties as district superint. of police.

Jan. 13.—No. 73.—The following officers who presented themselves for examination on Nov. 1 last have been passed by the Central Committee:—
For the Higher Standard.

Asst. superints. of police.—Mr. R. Kinchant, B.A., with credit; Lieut. C. T. Lane and E. Horsford.

No. 75.—Mr. R. Kinchant, B.A., is promoted to the rank of district superint. 3rd grade, with effect from Nov. 1 last, v. Lieut. Hamilton, transferred to another province. Mr. Kinchant is posted to the Shahpore district, but will continue in charge of the Jung district till further orders.

Jan. 11.—No. 113.—Transfers:—
Capt. J. R. G. G. Shortt, asst. comsnnr., from the Kohat to the Sealkote district.

No. 114.—Mr. W. H. Rattigan, extra asst. comsnnr., from Delhi to Shahpore district.

Jan. 12.—Appointments:—

No. 128.—Lieut. col. E. J. Lake, comsnnr. of Jullunder div., to be financial comsnnr. of the Punjab, with effect from 10th inst.

No. 129.—Mr. F. H. Cooper, C.B., dep. comsnnr. of Delhi, to be comsnnr. and superint., v. Lieut. col. Lake.

Jan. 9.—No. 27.—Transfers:—

Mr. J. P. Warburton, offic. asst. district superint. of police, from the Kurnal to the Hissar district.

No. 28.—Mr. C. Powell, offic. asst. district

superint. of police, from the Hissar to the Kurnal district.

No. 29.—Mr. P. A. Rattigan, asst. district superint. of police, Kurnal, on duty at Shahpore, to the Moozuffurgurh district.

No. 30.—Mr. P. White, asst. district superint. of police, from Moozuffurgurh to Shahpore.

No. 31.—Leave of absence:—

Capt. R. Sewell, district superint. of police, for 8 weeks, prep. to applying for m.c. to England, with effect from 20th prox.

No. 31.—Mr. J. W. MacNabb, offic. dep. comr., Rawul Pindee, for 1 mo., with effect from such date after the 15th inst. as he may avail himself of the same.

No. 32.—Appointments:—

Maj. R. J. D. Ferris to offic. as dep. comr. of Rawul Pindee, during the absence of Mr. MacNabb.

No. 39.—Mr. E. O. Brien, C.S., is app. an asst. comr., 3rd class, and posted to the Kurnal district.

THE NEW LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

Jan. 10.—No. 99.—The Hon. D. F. McLeod, C.B., having been appointed by H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. of India, subject to the approbation of her Majesty, to be Lieut. governor of the Punjab and its Dependencies, has this day taken the prescribed oaths and assumed charge of the office under the usual salute.

Jan. 9.—Transfers:—

Lieut. A. M. Brandreth, exec. engr., Lahore div., to Kohat div.

Maj. C. W. Nightingale, exec. engr., 7th div. Grand Trunk Road, to the Lahore div.

Mr. J. W. Wright, asst. engr., 1st class, 3rd div. Lahore and Peshawur road, to the Peshawur div.

Jan. 12.—No. 5,179.—The 1 mo. priv. leave to Capt. W. H. Mackesy, asst. engr., Jullunder div., in Punjab Government notification No. 1,585c, dated Sept. 13, 1864, is cancl. at that officer's request.

THE LEVEE.

Jan. 13.—No. 130.—On Tuesday, the 17th inst., at 11 A.M., the Hon. the Lieut. gov. will hold a Levee at Government House for the reception of the civil and military residents of Anarkullee and Meean Meer.

No. 132.—Maj. A. L. Busk, dep. comr. of Kurnal, to offic. as comr. of the Umballa div., from the date on which he took over charge from Col. Sir H. B. Edwards, K.C.B.

Jan. 12.—No. 13.—Maj. H. Hayley, 2nd in com. and wing officer, 5th Punjab inf., has leave from Nov. 18, 1864, to Jan. 23, 1865, on m.c., to Calcutta, prep. to furl. to Eur., in ext.

ADMINISTRATION OF MILITARY CANTONMENTS.

Jan. 16.—No. 85.—Under the authority conveyed in Section XL of Act XXII. of 1864, the Hon. the Lieut. gov. is pleased to extend the provisions of the said Act (an act to make provisions for regulating the administration of military cantonments) to all military cantonments in the Punjab.

No. 86.—With reference to notification No. 85 of this date, extending the provisions of Act XXII. of 1864 to the military cantonments of the Punjab, it is hereby further notified as follows:—

The underment. officers having been invested with the powers of a mag. under the provisions of Section XXIII. of the Code of Criminal Procedure, shall in future be styled cantonment mags., instead of, as heretofore, cantonment joint mags.:—
Maj. M. B. Whish, Delhi.

Lieut. E. A. C. Lambert, Umballa.

Capt. J. C. Millar, Jullunder.

Capt. J. T. Norgate, Sealkote.

Lieut. A. Stewart, Meean Meer.

Capt. R. J. L. Crutchley, Ferozepore.

Maj. J. W. F. Bean, Rawul Pindee.

Capt. C. Beadon, Mooltan.

Maj. W. Elwyn, Peshawur.

In the military cantonments noted below, a Court of Small Causes for the trial of suits of the nature described in Section III. of Act XLII. of 1860, shall be established under the direction of the judicial comr., and the cantonment mags. above named shall be judges of the courts so established in their respective cantonments. In the cantonment of Umritsur, the judge of the Small Cause Court of Umritsur shall be constituted judge of the cantonment Small Cause Court:—Delhi, Umballa, Jullunder, Sealkote, Umritsur, Meean Meer, Ferozepore, Rawul Pindee, Mooltan, Peshawur.

The pecuniary limit of the jurisdiction of Small Cause Courts shall be rupees five hundred.

No. 91.—Mr. J. Stephen, clerk of the Court of Small Causes at Hoshiarpur, has priv. leave of absence for one mo., with effect from Feb. 10, 1865.

No. 35.—Mr. C. M. Kelly, asst. patrol, salt dept., has priv. leave of absence for one mo., with effect from the date of availing himself of the same.

Jan. 6.—No. 135.—Mr. C. R. Hawkins, C.S., is appd. asst. comsnnr. of the 8rd class in the Punjab, and is posted to the Umballa district.

No. 151.—Mr. H. E. Parkins, asst. comsnnr., resumed charge of his duties at Delhi on the 10th inst.

Jan. 17.—No. 155.—Lieut. S. E. Pemberton, doing duty officer, Peshawur mountain train, to be an A.D.C. on the personal staff of the Hon. the Lieut. gov. of the Punjab.

No. 18.—Maj. and Brev. col. W. T. Hughes, comdg. the 1st Punjab cav., has leave of absence from April 9 to June 9, 1865, or from such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it, to visit Bombay, prep. to submitting an application for furl. to Eur.

Jan. 14.—No. 5,243.—The following will, in future, be the designations of the officers of the forest dept., now employed in the Punjab:—

Conservator of Forests.—Dr. J. L. Stewart, M.D., officg.

Dep. Conservators.—Lieut. J. Chalmers, Chenab and Ravee forests div.

Dr. J. E. T. Aitchison (now nominated to another app.), Sutlej forests div.

Asst. Conservators.—Mr. J. de L. Lennox, Chenab and Ravee forests div.

Mr. J. A. Murray, Chenab and Ravee forests div.

Mr. A. L. Home, acting, Ravee forests div.

Sub engr. and sub conductor E. Sparling, Ravee forests div.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Dec. 10.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following proms., until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

98th Foot.—Capt. E. Grantham to be maj., without purch., v. Crawford, dec.; dated Nov. 19, 1864.

Lieut. C. H. Griffin to be capt., without purch., v. Grantham, prom.; dated Nov. 19, 1864.

Ensign H. W. Roberts to be lieut., without purch., v. Griffin, prom.; dated Nov. 19, 1864.

Lieut. C. H. Palmer, late 55th N.I., doing duty 10th N.I., is transferred to 36th N.I., at Barrackpore.

Asst. surg. T. Dillon, M.D., is posted to the 12th Bengal cav., v. Asst. surg. N. J. Grant, proceeded on sick leave to Europe.

The appointment of Surg. J. A. C. Hutchinson, M.D., to med. charge of 16th brig. R.A., in G.O. of June 6 last, is hereby cancelled, that officer never having joined it.

Dec. 12.—The undermentioned officers are appointed to do duty as specified:—

Major J. Tickell, staff corps, to do gen. duty at Umballah.

Lieut. E. R. C. Wilcox, late 4th Eur. regt., to do gen. duty at Bareilly (cancelling G.O. Nov. 9, 1864).

Lieut. H. I. Baylis, gen. list, inf., is appointed to do duty with 33rd regt. N.I., at Lucknow, and directed to join without delay.

The services of Ensign R. G. Kennedy, 55th foot, are placed at the disposal of H.E. the Gov. gen. of India.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the Officer commanding left wing 38th N.I., dated Aug. 20 last, appointing Lieut. W. V. FitzG. Jacob, doing duty officer, to assume command of the wing, with effect from 22nd idem, v. Major A. S. Smith, proceeding on furl. to Europe.

Banda station order, dated Sept. 1 last, appointing Lieut. F. C. W. Drummond, adj. 7th N.I., to be station staff, in addition to his other duties, v. Lieut. E. A. Pemberton.

Saugor district order, dated Oct. 10 last, directing Capt. W. P. Gurney, 91st foot, to command the Nagode party of invalids and time-expired men at Rewah, with effect from Nov. 14 current.

By the Officer commanding 2nd batt. rifle brig., dated Oct. 18 last, directing Lieut. C. D. Broadbent to act as adj., until further orders, v. Lieut. W. H. Deedes, promoted.

Kurrachee depot order, dated Oct. 18 last, appointing Ensign C. L. Methuen, 79th foot, to act as adj., v. Lieut. J. J. Martin, 4th foot, relieved, with effect from 19th idem.

Jubbulpore station order, dated 1st ult., directing Staff Asst. surg. A. Thomson, M.D., attached to 91st foot, to afford med. aid to detachment 1st Bengal cav., in addition to his other duties, during absence of Staff Asst. surg. A. M. Tippetts, or until further orders.

Presidency division order, dated 5th ult., directing the undermentioned medical officers, recently arrived, to proceed to Chinsurah for duty:—

Staff Asst. surgs. T. Babington, J. Anderson, G. Atkinson, M.B., A. Minty, M.B., J. Atkinson, and J. Ambrose, M.D., to do duty with 58th foot.

Outle division order, dated 20th ult., appointing Lieut. A. G. Remington, late 12th N.I., to do gen. duty at Lucknow.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Major J. Tickell, from Feb. 2, 1864, to March 8, 1865, to visit the Presidency, prep. to applying for furl. to Europe.

Royal Artillery.—Asst. surg. W. D. Smythe (E. batty. 11th brig.), from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, on m.c.

1st Drag. Gds.—Capt. A. J. P. Wadman, from date of embarkation, to England, via overland route, on m.c.

17th Lancers.—Lieut. col. R. White, from Dec. 13 to Dec. 31, to proceed to Bombay.

Late 5th Eur. L.C.—Capt. S. Boulderson (doing duty 7th Bengal cav.), from Nov. 1, 1864, to Jan. 31, 1865, to Calcutta, to study the native languages.

11th Foot.—Asst. surg. R. T. Scott (1st batt.), from date of embarkation, to England, v. the Cape, on m.c.

36th Foot.—Qrmr. J. Brookes, from Oct. 20, 1864, to March 30, 1865, to England, pending his retirement from the service.

79th Foot.—Lieut. J. Busfield, from date of embarkation, to England, for 17 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

108th Foot.—Lieut. A. S. Tollemache, from date of embarkation, to England, v. the Cape, on m.c.

Dec. 13.—Appointments:—

18th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. H. J. Barton, offic. doing duty officer, to offic. as 3rd squadron officer, v. Lieut. Marsh, appointed adj.; dated Dec. 12.

1st N.I.—Lieut. H. E. Elliot, gen. list, inf., to offic. as doing duty officer; dated Nov. 17.

16th N.I.—Lieut. A. B. Clare, doing duty officer, to be offic. qrmr.; dated Nov. 17. Lieut. G. Mac Call, gen. list, inf., to be offic. doing duty officer; dated Nov. 17.

32nd N.I.—Lieut. D. Darroch, fort adj. at Attock, to be qrmr.; dated Nov. 17.

33rd N.I.—Lieut. C. McD. Skene, doing duty 8th N.I., to offic. as doing duty officer; dated Nov. 17.

41st N.I.—Lieut. J. M. Tulloch, doing duty 27th N.I., to be doing duty officer, v. Lieut. Perry, who has resigned that appointment; dated Nov. 17.

3rd Goorkha Regt.—Major A. Paterson, 2nd in com. and wing officer 4th N.I., to be 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Capt. Tytler, transf. to 4th Goorkhas; dated Dec. 12.

4th Goorkha Regt.—Capt. J. A. Tytler, v.c., offic. comdnt., to be 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Capt. Chester, appointed to brigade staff; dated Dec. 12.

Dec. 14.—The following orders are confirmed:—Meerut division order, dated Oct. 31 last, directing the following medical arrangements:—

Appointing Asst. surg. J. Dustan, 107th foot, to med. charge of invalids proceeding from Landour to the Presidency.

Asst. surg. W. P. Smith, G. batty. 22nd brig. R.A., to assume med. charge of D. batty. C. brig. R.H.A., v. Asst. surg. F. E. McFarland, on leave.

Asst. surg. T. Maunsell, 48th foot, to assume temp. med. charge of G. batty. 22nd brig. R.A., and also of 28th N.I.

Asst. surg. D. Woods, 19th hussars, to afford med. aid to 12th Bengal cav., temp., in addition to his other duties, v. Asst. surg. N. J. Grant, reported sick.

By the Officer commanding 42nd foot, dated 5th ult., appointing Capt. the Hon. R. H. Stewart, regimental interpreter.

By the Officer commanding 18th N.I., dated 10th ult., directing Lieut. and Qrmr. J. R. Maret to offic. as adj., in addition to his other duties, v. Lieut. A. R. Loughnan, offic. as wing officer.

Dec. 19.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following promotion, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

1st Drag. Gds.—Cornet F. B. Massingberd to be lieut., by purch., v. Reeves, who retires; dated Dec. 2.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments:—

14th N.I.—Lieut. F. H. Gould, late 47th N.I., to offic. as qrmr., v. Chatterton, offic. as adj. to 29th N.I.; dated Dec. 2.

15th N.I.—Lieut. J. T. Harris, staff corps, to offic. as wing officer, during absence on leave of Lieut. Rogers; dated Nov. 30.

16th N.I.—Lieut. W. G. Cubitt, v.c., adj., to offic.

as wing officer, v. O'Brien, offic. as 2nd in com. to 22nd N.I.; dated Nov. 30.

23rd N.I.—Brev. Capt. E. H. Woodcock, doing duty 20th N.I., to offic. as wing officer, v. Chalmers, offic. as 2nd in com. to 29th N.I.; dated Nov. 30.

33rd N.I.—Capt. T. W. Rutherford, staff corps, to be wing officer, v. Robertson, transferred to 31st N.I.; dated Dec. 2.

34th N.I.—Lieut. R. H. Salkeld is confirmed as adj. to the regt.; dated Dec. 1. Lieut. W. P. Harrison, gen. list, inf., to be doing duty officer, v. Salkeld; dated Dec. 1.

43rd N.I.—Lieut. F. Van H. Sperling, doing duty 31st N.I., to be offic. adj., during absence on leave of Lieut. Bartleman; dated Dec. 2.

Kurrachee Depot.—Lieut. F. T. Humfrey, 51st foot, to be adj.; dated Dec. 1.

The following orders are confirmed:—

Morar station order, dated Sept. 16 last, appointing Surg. G. Auchinleck, M.D., 81st foot, to assume med. charge of staff, temp., v. Asst. surg. P. W. Sutherland, 14th Bengal cav., proceeding with his regt.

By the Officer commanding 2nd batt. rifle brigade, dated Oct. 5 last, appointing Lieut. A. S. Harrington asst. instructor of musketry to the regt., from 1st idem.

By the Officer commanding 5th regt. N.I., dated 5th ult., appointing Lieut. and Qrmr. E. F. Litchfield to offic. as wing officer; and Lieut. J. H. C. G. Lassalle, doing duty officer, to offic. as qrmr., in addition to his other duties, v. Capt. E. G. Stone, wing officer, dec.

Presidency division order, dated 7th ult., directing Asst. surg. E. Wilkes, R.A., to report himself to the officer comdg. 2nd batt. 12th foot, for duty, v. Asst. surg. T. Walsh, m.c.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Horse Artillery.—Lieut. C. E. Nairne (E. batty. C. brig.), from Sept. 7 to Oct. 26, in ext.

1st Foot.—Lieut. W. Freeborn (1st batt.), from date of embarkation at Bombay, to England, by the overland route, on m.c.

7th Foot.—Capt. G. A. Elliott (1st batt.), from Sept. 3 to Nov. 30, to remain in Calcutta.

23rd Foot.—Capt. G. W. Marsden (1st batt.), from Dec. 10, 1864, to June 10, 1865, in ext., to remain in England.

Dec. 19.—60th Foot.—Lieut. J. A. Baxter, from Nov. 20 to Dec. 20, in ext. of priv. leave, to Bombay and N.W.P.

104th Foot.—Lieut. F. Cardew, from Oct. 11 to Dec. 12, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Simla.

Late 40th N.I.—Lieut. A. I. Hles (doing duty 2nd N.I.) from Dec. 25 to Jan. 15, 1865, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Calcutta to study the native languages.

Dec. 21.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appts:—

13th Bengal Cav.—Capt. and Brevet major H. H. Gough, v.c., 19th hussars, to offic. as 2nd in com. and squadron officer, during the absence on leave of Capt. Low, with the sanction of Government, dated Dec. 3.

9th N.I.—Lieut. G. E. Reade, gen. list, inf., to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Lieut. Glasfurd, offic. as qrmr., dated Dec. 15.

Murree Convalescent Depot.—Capt. R. M. Rogers, v.c., 90th foot, to be station staff, dated Dec. 15.

Landour Convalescent Depot.—Capt. P. Hunter, 82nd foot, to be station staff, dated Dec. 15.

Darjeeling Convalescent Depot.—Lieut. J. Hopkins, unattached, doing duty with the 21st N.I., to be station staff, dated Dec. 15.

Intimation having been received from England of the transfer of Asst. surg. A. C. Gaye, now serving in Bombay, from the E to the C brig. R.H.A., that officer will proceed without delay to Calcutta to join the A. baty. C. brig., to which he has been posted.

The C. in C. in India accepts the retirement from the service, by the sale of his commission, of Ensign W. Bedingfeld, 42nd foot, subject to approval by her Majesty, dated Dec. 10.

Lieut. R. C. Clifford, late 38th N.I., 3rd squadron officer, 9th Bengal cav., directed to proceed and do general duty at Rawul Pindee.

The following Allahabad brig. order is confirmed:—

Dated the 4th ult.—Directing Asst. surg. H. H. Maclean, R.A., to afford med. aid to the standing camp at the station.

The following Presidency div. orders are confirmed:—

Dated the 25th ult.—Directing Staff Asst. surg. T. Babington to proceed from Chinsurah to Allahabad at the public expense, and report himself to the

officer comdg. the latter station for duty with the invalid camp there.

Dated 26th ult.—Directing Staff asst. surg. J. Atkinson to proceed from Chinsurah to Delhi, at the public expense, and relieve Asst. surg. S. Archer, 98th foot, of the medical charge of the invalids en route to the Presidency.

Orders confirmed:—

Seetapore station order, dated Aug. 1 last, directing Asst. surg. S. Mackertich, M.D., 8th Bengal cav., to assume medical charge of C. batty. 11th brig. R.A., temp., in add. to his other duties, during the absence of Asst. surg. J. W. Rimmer.

By the officer comdg. the Lahore Light Horse, dated Sept. 14 last, directing Lieut. J. B. B. Dickson, doing duty, to continue to offic. as adjt., v. Lieut. C. E. Benthall, on leave.

By the officer comdg. the 31st N.I., dated Oct. 11 last, appg. Lieut. F. V. H. Sperling, late 5th Eur. regt., to offic. as adjt. and wing officer.

By the officer comdg. the 1st batt. 7th foot, dated Oct. 25 last, appg. Lieut. J. S. Smith to act as asst. instructor of musketry, v. Ens. J. Potham, res.

By the officer comdg. the 79th foot, dated Oct. 26 last, app. Lieut. W. H. McCausland to act as asst. instructor of musketry, with effect from 15th idem.

Dacca station order, dated 1st ult., directing Asst. surg. G. A. Watson, 5th N.I., to assume charge of the office of the Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals, temp.

By the officer comdg. the 34th N.I., dated 6th ult., appg. Lieut. and qrmr. C. S. Pratt to offic. as adjt., in add. to his other duties, till arrival of Lieut. R. H. Salkeld.

Baroilly station order, dated 9th ult., appg. Lieut. G. F. M. Phillips, qrmr. 8th N.I., to offic. as station staff, in add. to his other duties, v. Maj. J. E. Fraser.

By the officer comdg. the 5th N.I., dated 14th ult., appg. Capt. E. F. Litchfield to continue to offic. as wing officer, and Lieut. J. H. C. G. Lassalle, doing duty officer, to act as qrmr., v. Capt. Litchfield, prom.

By the officer comdg. the 25th N.I., dated 22nd ult., appg. Lieut. J. E. P. Mosley, gen. list, inf., to offic. as doing duty officer during the time Lieut. J. N. Steel may offic. as qrmr.

Dec. 23.—Maj. H. F. Brooke, 48th foot, app. an asst. adjt. gen. of div. in G.G.O. of 21st inst., is posted to Pres. div., and directed to join.

The undermentioned officers are app. to do duty with troops proceeding to England on board the *St. Lawrence*:—

To Command.—Maj. D. McNeill, D battery C brigade R.H.A.

To do Duty.—Capt. R. Clarke, 7th dragoon guards; S. Murphy, 52nd foot; A. R. N. Gould, 97th foot; and Lieut. H. F. Seagram, 1st batt. 23rd foot.

In Medical Charge.—Asst. surg. G. Park, M.D., 52nd foot.

The services of the commanding and medical officers are placed at the disposal of the qrmr. gen. for transport duty.

28th N.I.—Lieut. col. H. E. S. Abbott, Bengal inf., to be offic. comdt., during the absence on duty of Col. H. F. Dunsford, c.b.; dated Dec. 17, 1864.

98th Foot.—Lieut. C. G. Heathcote to be capt., by purch., v. Heywood, who retires; dated Dec. 15, 1864.

Under instructions from the Horse Guards, Capt. E. B. Burnaby, 51st foot, will proceed to England, at the public expense, to join the depot of his regt., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

Gwalior district order dated Oct. 1 last, published in G.O.C.C. of the 10th ult., appg. Maj. A. G. Nedham, staff corps, to offic. as deputy judge advocate gen. of the Gwalior and Saugor districts, is cancelled.

The following Sealkote station orders are confirmed:—

Dated 1st ult.—Appg. Capt. W. G. Alexander, of the 93rd foot, to act as station interpreter, there being no qualified officer available, v. Lieut. F. Trench, of the 20th hussars, proceeded with his regt.

Dated 7th ult.—Directing Maj. E. S. F. G. Dawson, of the 93rd foot, to assume command of the station, v. Col. H. W. Stisted, c.b., promoted to maj. gen.

Dated 14th ult.—Directing Asst. surg. P. C. Baxter, M.B., of the 93rd foot, to proceed in med. charge of a party of invalids and time-expired men as far as Lahore, and thence to return to his regt.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By Maj. J. Watson, c.b., v.c., commanding 13th Bengal cav., dated April 13 last, making the following arrangements during his absence at Peshawur on special duty, with effect from the 13th to the 20th idem:—

Capt. R. C. Low, 2nd in com. and squadron officer, to offic. as commandant.

Lieut. and Adj. C. E. Pennington to offic. as 2nd in com. and squadron officer, in addition to his other duties.

By the officer comdg. the 36th foot, dated Oct. 26 last, appg. Lieut. C. Spurgeon to offic. as adj., v. Lieut. R. B. C. Daubeney, resigned.

Dinapore brigade order dated 1st ult., appg. Capt. H. Cowell, of the 27th foot, to offic. as maj. of brig. as a temp. measure, v. Capt. G. Ward, late 5th Eur. L.C., proceeded on sick leave.

Ferozepore brigade order dated 17th ult., directing Asst. surg. J. A. Illingworth, of A baty. 19th brig. R.A., to afford med. aid to the station staff in addition to his other duties, v. Asst. surg. T. S. Veale, of the 32nd N.I., resigned.

Oude division order dated 19th ult., attaching Lieut. A. B. Chalmers, gen. list, inf., to the 5th Lancers, for instruction in cavalry duties.

Presidency division order dated 21st ult., directing Capt. R. S. Simonds, late 4th Eur. regt., to proceed and do duty at Benares.

The undermentioned officers are appointed to do general duty at the stations specified:—

Capt. J. E. D. Wilson, late 42nd N.I., doing duty at Ferozepore, to do duty at Jullundur.

Ensign G. Marley, unatt., doing duty 16th N.I., to do duty at Dinapore.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Art.—Capt. J. T. Daubuz, H baty. 11th brigade, for 2 mo. from date of departure, to Madras; Capt. C. S. Dundas, D baty. 16th brigade, from 20th to 21st Nov., in ext.

7th Foot.—Lieut. W. W. Chard, 1st batt., for 17 mo. from date of embarkation, to England, doing duty with troops on the voyage.

23rd Foot.—Major C. Elgee, 1st batt., from Nov. 25 to Dec. 4, to Calcutta.

46th Foot.—Col. C. F. Campbell, from Dec. 9 to Feb. 15, 1865, in extension, to remain at Calcutta to study the native languages.

54th Foot.—Lieut. D. B. Coppinger, from 16th to 29th Nov., in extension, to Calcutta, m.c.

72nd Foot.—Lieut. C. W. N. Guinness, from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1865, to Australia.

95th Foot.—Lieut. W. Fleming, for 15 mo. from date of embarkation, to England, doing duty with troops on the voyage.

101st Foot.—Lieut. H. B. Pedder, for 17 mo. from date of embarkation, to England, doing duty with troops on the voyage.

Rifle Brigade.—Capt. J. B. B. Coulson, 2nd batt., for 17 mo. from date of embarkation, to England, doing duty with troops on the voyage.

Late 4th Eur. L.C.—Capt. J. B. Saunders, brigade major, Allahabad, to March 15, from date of availing himself of leave, to Presidency, prep. to furlough to Europe.

Late 20th N.I.—Lieut. C. R. Cock, doing duty 43rd regt. N.I., for 1 mo. from date of leaving regt., to Calcutta, m.c.

Gen. List, Inf.—Lieut. W. T. A. Thain, doing duty 16th regt. N.I., from Dec. 8 to Jan. 14, 1865, to Calcutta, with a view to passing in the native languages.

Medical Dept.—Surg. major T. C. Hutchinson, attached to 16th N.I., from Feb. 7 to March 7, to Calcutta, m.c., in substitution of leave granted in G.O.C.C. Nov. 9 last.

Head Quarters, Calcutta, Jan. 3.—Maj. J. T. N. O'Brien, 1st batt. 20th foot, to offic. as brig. major at Morar, v. Capt. G. B. C. Simpson, transf. to Meerut.

Removals of brig. majors:—

Capt. G. B. C. Simpson, from Morar to Meerut. Major H. C. Anderson, from Delhi to Rawul Pindee.

Lieut. col. W. J. Hicks, late 22nd N.I., comdg. local company of Eur. inf., is permitted to do general duty at Meerut, on the expiration of his present leave.

DOOR FIELD FORCE.

The C. in C. is pleased to make the following appts. to the Door field force:—

Capt. E. Perkins, R.E., to be comdg. and field engr.

Lieuts. W. H. Collins and J. A. Armstrong, R.E., to be asst. field engr.

The two latter officers exercising the separate command of the two companies of the Darjeeling Sebundy sappers, to which they are at present attached.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appt.:—

14th Bengal Cavalry.—Lieut. R. E. Wilmot is

confirmed in the appt. of doing duty officer, v. Rochfort, prom., dated Dec. 24.

Lieut. A. B. E. Thomas, late 4th Eur. Regt., is transf. from the 22nd to the 45th N.I., at Jullundur.

Staff Asst. surg. G. R. Woolhouse, on sick leave at Kussowlee, will proceed thence without delay to Meeran Meer, and report himself to the military and med. authorities at that station, with a view to his taking med. charge of invalids to Kurrahee and England.

Asst. surg. H. L. Randall, supernumerary in the 20th brig. R.A., is transf. to the F baty. 23rd brig. R.A., at St. Thomas' Mount.

The following Saugor station orders are confirmed:

Dated Nov. 18 last.—Directing Asst. surg. J. L. Power, of the 97th foot, to assume med. charge of the station staff, during the temp. abs. of Surg. maj. W. W. Rawes, of the 4th Madras L.C.

Dated Nov. 19 last.—Directing Vet. surg. G. Western, of the 4th Madras L.C., to afford professional aid to the horses of B baty. 16th brig. royal art., in add. to his other duties.

The following Benares station order is confirmed: Dated Nov. 24 last.—Apptg. Lieut. D. R. Clarke, late 55th N.I., to do duty with the 16th N.I. at Dinapore.

The following orders are confirmed:—

Presy. div. order dated Nov. 19 last, directing Asst. surg. G. Park, m.d., of the 52nd foot, to proceed to Chinsurah and receive med. charge of the depot from Staff surg. E. Touch, m.d., directed to report himself to the dep. insp. gen. of hospitals, Calcutta: and Lieut. J. E. P. Mosley, gen. list, inf., doing duty at the invalid depot, to do duty with the 25th N.I.

By the officer comdg. the 52nd foot, dated Nov. 26 last, appg. Lieut. W. B. P. Burrell to act as paymaster on the responsibility of the Committee of Paymastership v. Qmr. H. Stokes, resigned.

The undermen. officers have leave of absence:— 7th Foot.—Maj. T. W. Marten, 1st batt., from Jan. 9 to April 9, to England, on private affairs.

12th Foot.—Asst. Surg. T. Walsh, 2nd batt., from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape of Good Hope, to appear before a medical board.

82nd Foot.—Maj. (Brev. lieut. col.) G. L. Thompson, from Oct. 1, to Dec. 11, to Simla and Landour.

90th Foot.—Lieut. R. A. Nolan, from Nov. 17 to Dec. 17, to Calcutta, to appear before a medical board.

Ordinance Dept.—Dep. Asst. A. Stoney, from Dec. 15, to date of transf. to pension estab., to proceed to Futehgurh, on m.c.

Jan. 4.—The undermen. officers are appointed to do duty with a detachment of invalids proceeding to England on board the ship *Middlesex*:—

To Command.—Maj. D. Kemp, 107th foot.

To do Duty.—Capt. W. P. Gurney, 91st Foot.

Lieuts. H. D. Evans, A baty. 11th brig., R.A.; and J. M. V. Cotton, 27th foot.

In Medical Charge.—Asst. Surg. A. Guthrie, m.d., 3rd batt. rifle brig.

The services of the comdg. and medical officers are placed at the disposal of the qmr. gen. for transport duty.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appts.:—

40th N.I.—Lieut. R. D. Beatson, gen. list, inf., doing duty with the 31st N.I., to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Young, apptd. to another situation, dated Dec. 20.

Landour Depot.—Brev. Lieut. col. G. L. Thompson, of the 82nd foot, to be comdt., v. Lieut. col. Beamish, who vacates, with effect from Dec. 12, dated Dec. 16.

Official notification has been received that Lieut. E. S. Creek, of the 23rd foot, recently prom., has been posted to the 2nd batt. of the regt.

Lieut. Creek will proceed, at the public expense, to join his batt. at Gibraltar.

The leave granted to unatt. Ens. T. Hardy, doing duty with the 36th N.I., in G.O.C.C. of Nov. 3 last (page 566), to study the native languages, is cancelled at his own request.

The following Agra garrison and station orders are confirmed:—

Dated Nov. 13 last.—Directing the following med. arrangement:—

Asst. surg. A. F. Preston, m.b., to continue in med. charge of the detachment of invalids and volunteers proceeding to Delhi from Gwalior.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the officer comdg. the 37th N.I., dated Oct. 16 last, making the following appts. during the absence on leave of Capt. S. Sage, or until further orders:—

Lieut. E. S. Fox, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in command and wing officer.

Lieut. F. A. Montrion, adjt., to offic. as wing officer.

Saugor dist. order dated Nov. 12 last, directing Lieut. H. W. Shoubridge, gen. list, inf., to do gen. duty at the Saugor station.

By the officer comdg. the 37th N.I., dated Nov. 14 last, appg. Lieut. C. H. T. Marshall, gen. list, inf., attached to the 3rd Sikh inf., to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Lieut. C. Ransford, app. to offic. as qmr.

Presidency div. order, dated Nov. 16 last, appg. Capt. B. S. B. Parlbay, fort adj., to offic. as asst. adj. gen., in add. to his other duties, v. Capt. F. J. Slade-Gully, dec., with effect from the 12th idem.

By the officer comdg. the 90th foot, dated Nov. 21 last, appg. Ensign J. H. Jackson to act as qmr., v. Qmr. D. Jackson, proceeded on leave, with effect from the 17th idem.

By the officer comdg. the 89th foot, dated Nov. 22 last, appg. Lieut. C. Garsia to act as interpreter, with effect from the 1st idem, there being no qualified officer available.

Lahore div. order dated Nov. 23 last, appg. Capt. S. H. Hobbs, of the 89th foot, to do duty with the detachment of invalids and time-expired men proceeding from Mooltan to England.

By the officer comdg. the 16th N.I., dated Nov. 23 last, appg. Lieut. D. R. Clarke, gen. list, inf., to act as doing duty officer, v. Lieut. A. B. Clare, apptd. acting adjt.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Fort St. George, Jan. 17.—Mr. J. R. Arbutnot, acting sub coll. of the Kistna district, to act as district registrar of assurances at Guntoor.

Mr. J. R. Cockerell, acting sub coll., to act as district registrar of assurances at Chingleput.

Lieut. T. H. B. Young, to act as asst. superint. of police, 1st class, in South Arcot, during the absence on leave of Lieut. J. P. Warlow, or until further orders, to take effect from the date of Lieut. Warlow's departure from the district.

Mr. E. Thompson, m.a., to be professor of English literature in the Presidency College, v. Mr. Bowers.

Mr. W. H. Craig, b.a., to be professor of logic and moral philosophy in the Presidency College, v. Mr. Thompson.

Mr. J. F. Price, acting head asst. to the coll. and magis. of North Arcot, to be a lay trustee of the chaplaincy of Arcot.

Maj. J. Michael, of the staff corps, to be asst. conservator of forests, of the 2nd class, and to have charge of the Annamli range.

Mr. A. Lawford, asst. engineer 1st class, having reported his arrival from England on the 8th inst., per steamer *Simla*, is posted to the South Arcot district.

THE GOVERNOR'S TOUR.

H.E. the Governor being about to leave the Presidency on a tour to the Nellore district and the Northern Circars, the administration at the Presidency will in his absence be conducted as heretofore. All correspondence is to be carried on, and the resolutions of the Government continue to be passed in the name of the Governor in Council as usual.

His Excellency will be accompanied by Mr. J. D. Sim, secretary to Government, revenue dept., and Surgeon major H. W. Porteous; and also by Surgeon A. Hunter, m.c., superint. of the School of Industrial Arts.

During the absence of Mr. J. D. Sim from the Presidency the duties of the revenue department will be conducted by the Chief Secretary to Government.

Jan. 20.—Lieut. J. P. Warlow, asst. superint. of police, South Arcot, has leave for 4 weeks, prep. to his obtaining leave to proceed to Europe on m.c.

No. 23.—Returned to Duty.—The undermen. officer has returned to his duty by perm. of the home Govt., without prejudice to his rank:—Asst. Surg. H. King, A.B. and m.b., medical dept.—Arrived at Mangalore Nov. 22.

Lieut. col. D. G. Pollard, staff corps, doing duty under orders of officers comdg. Hyderabad subsidiary force, Capt. H. E. Ryves, 19th regt. N.I., Lieut. C. Gordon, 46th regt. N.I., asst. superint. of police, Vizagapatam, and Surg. maj. W. Williamson, medical dept.—Arrived at Madras Jan. 24.

Jan. 17.—THE STAFF CORPS.—The undermentioned officer having admission to the Staff Corps, under

the provisions of Para. 2 of G.O.G.G. No. 531 of 1864, republished in Madras G.O.G. July 22, 1864, No. 276, is admitted thereto from the date specified against his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. H. S. Stewart, cadre 42nd regt. N.I., doing duty 3rd cav. Hyderabad contingent; Sept. 29, 1862.

Lieut. S. C. Clarke, R.E., prob. asst. engr., public works dept., Mysore, is prom. to the grade of asst. engr., 2nd class, with effect from Nov. 14, 1863.

Jan. 20.—The undermentioned officers having applied for admission to the Staff Corps, under the provisions of Paras. 2 and 7 of G.O.G.G. No. 531 of 1864, republished in Madras G.O.G. July 22, 1864, No. 276, are admitted thereto, from the date specified against their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. J. W. Macdougall, R.M.A., asst. comr., Central Provinces; Feb. 24, 1864.

Lieut. A. S. Grove, cadre 42nd regt. N.I., late adjt. of the 42nd regt. N.I., from Feb. 20, 1863.

Maj. S. Mainwaring, having completed 26 years' service, eight of which were on permanent staff employ, to be lieut. col., from Jan. 15, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Capt. R. A. Moore, having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be maj. from Jan. 18, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Lieut. G. Briggs, having completed 12 years' service, 4 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt., from Jan. 20, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Jan. 6.—Apts.:—

6th Regt. L.C.—Sen. Lieut. T. M. McDonell to be capt., v. Wood, dec. Date of commission, Nov. 30, 1864.

21st Regt. N.I.—Lieut. T. S. M. Robinson to be capt. by brevet, from Jan. 26.

Jan. 20.—Regimental Appointments.—Lieut. col. A. K. C. Kennedy, of the staff corps, is permitted, at his own request, to resign his appointment as cantonment joint mag. of Cannanore.

Leave.—Lieut. W. Stainforth, of the inf. gen. list, doing duty 21st regt. N.I., on m.c. for 20 mo., under the regulations of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Royal Artillery.—Captain (brev. maj.) H. E. Hicks, 23rd brigade, from date of embarkation to England, for 15 mo., on private affairs.

102nd Foot.—Capt. and Paymr. F. Samwell to England on m.c., for the purpose of appearing before a med. board, and will report his arrival to the adjt. gen., Horse Guards.

1st Battalion 19th Foot.—Lieut. G. A. Warden, to England on m.c., for the purpose of appearing before a med. board, and will report his arrival to the adjt. gen., Horse Guards.—Unfit to do duty with troops on the voyage home.

Late 46th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. R. B. Cummins, doing duty 11th regt. N.I., for 2 mo., from date of departure.—Cuttack, sick certificate.

Jan. 11.—The following removal is ordered in the adjt. gen.'s dept.:—

Asst. adjt. gen. Capt. G. B. Roberts, from N. div. to Nagpore force, to have effect from Feb. 15, or date of Lieut. col. Wooly's departure from Kamptee.

No. 40.—Lieut. J. P. Warlow, of the staff corps, asst. supt. of police, 1st class, is permitted to proceed to Europe on m.c. for 15 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Lieut. col. F. J. B. Priestley, of the staff corps, asst. of revenue survey, on m.c. for 15 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Major T. Angelo, of the Bengal invalid estab., is permitted to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope on m.c. for 2 years, under the old furl. regs., and to embark from Madras.

Surg. maj. W. W. Heude, M.D., civil surg. Nagpore, on furl. for 3 yrs., under the old furl. regs., and to embark from Bombay.

Jan. 12.—No. 56.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proc. to Eur. on leave of absence on m.c.:—

Capt. A. G. Duff, of the 35th regt. Madras N.I., offic. dep. coms. Ramree, for 20 mo., under the new regs.

The undermen. officer has been examined in the Hindoostanee language:—

Lieut. E. M. Stevenson, 31st regt. L.I., Waltair, qualified as adjt. under para. 8 G.O.C.C., 6th July, 1853, No. 46.

Pending the sanction of H.E. the C. in C. in India, 2nd Capt. B. L. Gordon will act as adjt. of the D brig. royal horse art., during the absence of 2nd Capt. D. D. Anderson, on m.c., or till further orders.

Staff asst. surg. J. Middleton is appd. to do duty at the depot at Poonamallee until further orders.

Postings.—Asst. Surg. W. Doyle, M.D., F.R.C.S.I., to do duty dep. insp. gen.'s dept., southern div., as a temp. measure.

Capt. W. Peyton, 9th regt. N.I., will do duty at the Presidency until further orders, under the orders of the officer comdg. centre div.

ARTILLERY REDUCTIONS.

No. 3.—Royal Artillery.—Under instructions from Govt., No. 7 baty., 17th brig. R.A., will be reduced, the reduction to take effect from the 31st instant.

The distribution of the officers, non comd. officers and men att. to, and composing the baty., will be carried out under detailed instructions from the asst. adjt. gen., R.A.

The non comd. officers and men will be brought on the returns of the brigades and batteries to which they may be transf. from the 1st prox.

No. 4.—Battery H.M.'s Madras Artillery.—In accordance with the order of Govt. No. 39, dated Jan. 7, the local baty., H.M.'s Madras art., will cease to exist as a separate baty., from the 31st instant.

The non comd. officers and men, now composing the local baty., will be att. for the purposes of drill and discipline, to No. 1 baty., 17th brig., R.A., at St. Thomas' Mount.

The returns and pay abstracts of the detail will be made out and adjusted by the staff officer of art. at that station.

BOMBAY.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Jan. 13.—No. 52.—Lieut. A. L. Buckle, royal engrs., has passed the prescribed colloquial examination in the Hindoostanee language.

No. 53.—The following tempy. arrangement is confirmed:—

2nd Grenadier Regt. N.I.—Lieut. and Adj. S. de B. Edwardes to offic. as wing officer, and Lieut. H. T. Bulkeley as adjt., on the departure of Capt. Thoys on m.c. to Bombay.

Jan. 14.—No. 59.—The following apps. are made:—

16th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. T. E. Strong, doing duty officer 3rd regt. N.I., to be adjt., v. Iredell, prom. 3rd regt. N.I.—Lieut. J. P. Forbes to be doing duty officer, v. Strong.

No. 60.—The undermen. officer returned to duty, by permission of the Sec. of State for India, on Dec. 26, 1864:—

Lieut. col. J. S. Kemball, staff corps.

No. 61.—Maj. J. F. Lester, staff corps, has qualified at Hythe as a first-class instructor of musketry.

No. 62.—The following orders are confirmed:—
Dated August 18, 1864.—By the officer comdg. 103rd foot, appg. Ens. Galway asst. instructor of musketry to the regt.

Dated Dec. 31, 1864.—By the officer comdg. 106th foot, appg. Ens. Coulson asst. instructor of musketry to the regt.

Jan. 16.—No. 67.—Lieut. col. Macleod, asst. adjt. gen. of division, having returned from furlough, is posted to the Northern division of the army.

Major Carnegie will continue to officiate as asst. adjt. gen., Scinde division.

No. 68.—The following appointments are made:—
21st Regt. N.I. or Marine Batt.—Capt. S. Cousens, cadre 13th regt. N.I., to officiate as wing officer.

11th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. W. F. Hume is confirmed in the appointment of doing duty officer, v. Greenfield.

18th Regt. N.I.—Capt. J. A. Smith is confirmed in the appointment of wing officer, v. Jacob.

No. 69.—Ensign C. M. Browne, gen. list, is attached to 5th regt. N.L.I.

No. 70.—The undermentioned officer returned to duty, by permission of the Secretary of State for India, on Jan. 3 inst.:—

Capt. P. P. P. Fenwick, 25th regt. N.L.I.

No. 71.—The undermentioned officers have passed the prescribed colloquial examination in the Hindoostanee language:—

Lieut. C. S. Beauchamp, royal engrs.
Lieut. G. H. P. L. Pole, royal engrs.

No. 74.—Lieut. H. W. C. Bulkeley, 106th foot, a candidate for the staff corps, is attached to the 27th regt. N.I., or 1st Belooch regt.

No. 75.—Lieut. E. Mockler, gen. list, is appd. to com. No. 5 company sappers and miners at Aden.

Jan. 18.—No. 78.—H. R. H. the Field Marshal

C. in C. has been pleased to grant leave of absence as follows:—

Lieut. E. T. Pottinger, 18th brig. royal art., from Dec. 3, 1864, to Feb. 12, 1865, in ext.

Jan. 19.—No. 80.—The undermen. officers returned to duty by permission of the Sec. of State for India on Jan. 15:—

Capt. J. Miles, cadre 3rd Eur. regt.
Asst. surg. M. M. Mackenzie, med. estab.

No. 81.—Lieut. col. J. S. Kemball, staff corps, is placed on gen. duty at Poona.

No. 89.—Lieut. J. H. Tennant, 45th foot, performed the duties of qmr. to the head qrs. of the regt., from Nov. 2 to Nov. 16.

Jan. 25.—No. 99.—The undermen. officers are reported to have passed the required examination in the native language as follows:—

Hindoostanee—Staff Test.
Asst. surg. A. N. Hojel, med. estab., on Jan. 5.

Lieut. C. C. Paul, 20th regt. N.I., on Jan. 7.

No. 103.—Leave of absence:—
Lieut. C. W. N. Guinness, 72nd foot, from Jan. 1, to Dec. 31, to Australia.

Lieut. M. J. Clarke, F batty. 14th brig. R.A., from Jan. 16, to Feb. 14, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final m.c. to Eur.

Capt. W. Bannerman, cadre 8rd regt. N.I., from Oct. 14, 1864, to Jan. 7, 1865, in ext.

NAVAL.

By Capt. J. W. Young, C.B., Superintendent of Bombay Marine.

Marine Dept., Bombay Castle, Jan. 17.—No. 1.—The following temporary arrangement and appointment are confirmed:—

Mr. W. S. Carter to be 2nd officer of the *Hugh Lindsay*, from Nov. 15, 1864.

BIRTHS.

BRUCE—At Calcutta, Jan. 15, the wife of Mr. D. Bruce, of a daughter.

BOOTHBY—At Spence's Hotel, Calcutta, Jan. 14, Mrs. Boothby, of a daughter.

FARQUHARSON—At 7, Wood-street, Calcutta, Jan. 15, the wife of W. W. Farquharson, of Elambazar, Soorool, of a daughter.

RABAN—At Nowgong, Assam, Dec. 28, the wife of Henry C. B. Colton Raban, Esq., C.S., of a daughter.

GADSDEN—At Thayetmyoo, British Burmah, Dec. 25, the wife of Capt. Gadsden, Adjutant 5th Regt. N.I., of a son.

GARDINER—At Wellington, Jan. 13, the wife of Capt. E. Gardiner, 105th L.I., of a daughter.

RICKETTS—At Negapatam, Jan. 12, the wife of E. G. Ricketts, Esq., of a son.

ST. POURCAIN—At Chandernagore, on the 4th Jan., the wife of J. E. St. Pourcain, Esq., Indigo Planter, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

CANTOR—HORAN—At Julpigorce, Jan. 16, C. H. Cantor, Esq., 5th Bengal Cavalry, to Lillie Desborough, second daughter of Major Horan, 43rd Light Infantry.

DAVIS—WHITE—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, by the Rev. Cave Brown, J. B. Davis, Esq., to Miss Mary S. White.

MACLEOD—PORTEOUS—At Madras, Jan. 18, Capt. William Sim Macleod, 1st Regt. L.C., to Charlotte Ludwig, daughter of H. W. Porteous, Esq., surg.-major.

DEATHS.

CHASE—At Mynpoorie, Jan. 12, Malcolm G., aged 5 months, youngest son of H. Chase, Esq., C.S.
DOWELL—At Dinapore, on Jan. 1, Annie, infant daughter of Major Dowell, Royal Artillery.

DUNSTERVILLE—Major J. R. Dunsterville, at the Clarendon Hotel, Bombay, Jan. 11.

MILLER—At Calcutta, on Dec. 21, the widow of the late Mr. G. R. Miller, F.W.D., aged 37 years.

STURGEON—At Calcutta, on Dec. 13, of chronic diarrhoea, the widow of Thomas Henry Sturgeon, Esq., aged 48 years.

WELD—At Chunar, on Jan. 18, Sarah Henson, the wife of Major George Weld, Bengal Staff Corps.

WILKINSON—At Madras, Jan. 13, of cholera, Marian, wife of F. H. Wilkinson, Esq., of the Civil Service, aged 22 years.

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TUESDAY, February 28, 1865.

"THE GROANS OF THE BRITONS."

SINCE the melancholy time when our forefathers so piteously complained that the barbarians drove them to the sea, and that the sea inhospitably drove them back upon the barbarians, no such direful lamentations have been heard to issue from British throats as are now poured forth by the officers of her Majesty's late Indian armies. Day by day petitions are presented to the House of Commons, complaining of a cruel breach of faith, and praying for prompt redress, but it is to be regretted that the petitioners are not more perfectly agreed as to the nature of the grievances from which they collectively suffer. The wrongs upon which they chiefly dwell are those which affect each individual separately, but some of which are an undoubted benefit to a great many of their comrades. This disagreement may, however, be partly due to the circumstance that comparatively few appear to have a very clear idea of what it is they have to complain. In a vague way they tell you that Sir Charles Wood has not kept faith with them, that Parliamentary guarantees have been violated, that old men block up the way to promotion, that young men are popped over their heads, and that the service has gone to the—well, let us say, to the dogs. The editor of the *Hurkaru* is, therefore, entitled to the gratitude of all who are incapable of discovering, or expressing, their own grievances, for in the handsomest manner in the world he has drawn up a catalogue raisonné of their wrongs, besides prompting them as to what they should ask for, and in what form of words they should set forth their plaint. Of course, the first thing they have to do is to subscribe a good round sum of money to cover expenses, such as fees to eminent counsel and other incidental and accidental charges. And it happens, very unfortunately, that the Bengal officers are singularly backward with their pecuniary subscriptions, as compared with their comrades in the two other

armies. Of 142 petitions sent in prior to the present Session only 22 were from Bengal, and while Bombay gave £640 and Madras £831, no more than £569 were obtained from the Northern Presidency. It is true the Bengal army has so far less reason to complain than its suffering sisters, in that the latter have been punished for misdoings of which they were not only not guilty, but which they helped to repress and chastise. And, besides this, quite a Benjamin's share of the loaves and fishes that came to be divided after the mutiny fell to the lot of the very army that had mutinied. For all that our Calcutta contemporary is of opinion that the Bengal officers should do something more than grumble. In short, they must petition, petition, petition, and their petition must embrace the following points:—

THE LOCAL SERVICE.

1st. Substantive Regimental Supercession by the Staff Corps, entailing and comprising "actual" and also "prospective" supercession in Commands of Regiments, Brigades, Divisions, and "off Reconnoing."

2nd. Deprivation of Regimental Employ—such employ also often entailing service under a Regimental Junior.

3rd. Undue, and apparently "illegal advantages secured to Staff Corps Officers, with respect to their Widows' and Orphans' Funds.

4th. Total loss of "Bonus," and also of "paid up subscriptions," invested under the Authoritative Sanctions of the Court of Directors; letters of March 6, 1832, No. 15; of June 14, 1837, No. 31; of Nov. 29, 1837, No. 7; all published in G.G.O.

5th. Unjust retardation of "Cadre" promotion, which promotion, moreover, no longer confers "Military Command."

THE STAFF CORPS.

1st. Enforced election for the Staff Corps, to avoid the supercession above alluded to.

2nd. Enforced deprivation of pension on "Exchange," by orders issued subsequent to Election.

3rd. Total loss of "Bonus," and of "paid up subscriptions" to the same.

4th. Reduction of Pay below that of Local Officers, and Non-Appointment to Staff Employ, the expectation of which originally induced election. Refusal of permission to "revert" to Local Service, even when the G.G.O. of April 10, 1861, under which they elected for the Staff Corps, has been partially "cancelled," as containing infraction of the guarantee.

THE TWELVE NEW GENERAL SERVICE REGIMENTS.

1st. Enforced election for General Service, to escape supercession.

2nd. Enforced Deprivation of Pension on exchange by the order of 9th May, 1864, issued subsequent to election for General Service. Officers of the Twelfth New Regiments (though such exchanges have also been sanctioned without entailing loss of pension) can now only exchange with each other under this severe penalty; and many, both "Married" and "Single," whose means preclude service out of India, are thus to be deprived of the pensions for which they have served for years in the "Tropics," and in a "Seniority Service."

3rd. Enforcement of New Furlough Rules, subsequent to election for the General Service.

4th. Exclusion from the "Brevet;" and also from the Substantive Rank, guaranteed to the Staff Corps, and also to the Local Service, prior to, and also subsequent to, the report of the Royal Commission.

5th. Undue and apparently illegal advantages secured to the Staff Corps in the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. This point might perhaps serve to test the legality of Staff Corps promotion at Common Law.

6th. Loss of Bonus and of paid-up subscriptions.

7th. Prohibition to "revert" to the Local Service. Various officers, on finding their pensions endangered, and that the General Order on which they elected has been to a great extent cancelled, are desirous of being permitted also to cancel their

election for General Service. To a few individuals only was this privilege lately accorded, the applications of the majority to "revert" being rejected.

In truth, a goodly list of grievances, and it cannot be denied that they are in many respects well founded, though it is not so easy to see how they are to be remedied. In every great change, such as the fusion of two large and perfectly distinct armies, it is inevitable that many individuals should be prejudiced. The real question is whether such private wrongs outweigh the public benefit thus wrought out, and it must not be forgotten that for many years previous to the mutiny, the officers of her Majesty's Native Regiments had been clamorous for an amalgamation with the royal troops, and for the formation of a Staff Corps. But, according to the *Hurkaru*, it is precisely the formation of these corps that "whilst conferring considerable benefit on some officers, (has) caused serious injury to the prospects of from a thousand to fifteen hundred captains and senior lieutenants." In which case we can only say with the old Roman satirist,

*Evertère domos totas optantibus ipsis
Di faciles.*

And admitting the existence of many just grievances, it remains to be considered how they are to be redressed. On this point neither the petitioners themselves nor their "officious" adviser attempt to throw any light, but content themselves with referring the matter to the wisdom, justice, and liberality of the British Parliament. If that, however, is all they have to rely upon, we fear they are leaning on a broken reed, for, if ever their case comes on for a Parliamentary hearing, it is tolerably certain that not twenty members will attend in their places. The petitioners have fallen upon evil times, and must do their best to endure patiently the evils time alone can remove or mitigate.

A YEAR'S ADMINISTRATION OF THE NORTH-WEST PROVINCES.

AN Indian prætor need well be a man of varied accomplishments, large experience, and indefatigable industry. With the sole exception of military matters, there is no one point connected with the welfare and progress of the people of his province that does not come under his own immediate and personal cognisance. And it is no trifling merit of the old civilian system, which it is now the fashion to decry, that before a man can attain the summit of the ladder he must have set his foot on each separate rung. Step by step he slowly rises to eminence, and thus becomes familiarly acquainted with every department of the public service. While yet a young district officer he learns to make roads, build bridges, map out the country, conserve forests, survey mines, report on

the capabilities of the soil, assess the revenue, manage a jail, conduct a post-office, regulate the police, and administer justice. As the natural result of this long and arduous training he is enabled, when visited with the supervision of a province more extensive than his native country, to form a just judgment as to the manner in which his subordinates discharge their respective duties, and, therefore, to dispense praise, or blame, according to the merits of each. Neither is he liable to fall into the hands of a clique, for in the course of his varied service he has become more or less intimately acquainted with nearly every one of his brother officials, and has gauged their individual characters and capacities. This in itself is no ordinary advantage, and it is one that could not possibly be enjoyed by a Lieutenant-governor sent out direct from England. As a fair example of the nature and amount of work such an officer is expected to get through in the course of the twelve months, let us take the Report of the Administration of the North-West Provinces for the year 1863-64.

Commencing with the section headed "Civil Justice," we find that in 1863 there were 57,925 regular suits instituted, of which only 7,685 were pending at the close of the year—49,457 being decided on trial, and 58,413 finally disposed of. Of these last, 50 per cent. were decided on their merits. These figures, however, by no means indicate the whole extent of litigation in the N.W. Provinces during a single year. To obtain the full measure, we have to add 9,758 suits instituted in the Small Cause Courts, and no fewer than 117,235 cases classed under the unsatisfactory heading of "Miscellaneous." The average duration of suits in the Judges' Courts exceeds six months, but in the lower courts greater expedition appears to be the rule. The State revenue, of course, benefits by the litigiousness of its subjects through the sale of stamps, of which 631,385 rupees' worth was filed in the year under notice—the amount refunded being only Rs. 11,102. The aggregate value of the cases disposed of was Rs. 30,721,313, while the costs were about 6 per cent. So heavy was the accumulation of arrears in the Sudder Court that it was found necessary to appoint four extra judges to clear them off. It must be understood that the preceding figures do not include the Kumaon or Ajmere divisions, nor yet Mhairwarrah or the Terai district, nor even the Small Cause Courts at Agra, Allahabad, and Benares.

Passing on to Criminal Justice we are startled at observing the large number of 81,601 offenders, showing an increase of 7,501 over the preceding year. This alarming increase of crime is attributed to the growing propensity to gambling, the

parent of many social disorders. Of the above grand total, 79,951 were "disposed of by the magisterial agency," and of these 45,471 were convicted, or committed to the sessions, and 34,480 acquitted or discharged for want of sufficient proof. In the Magisterial Courts 53,829 cases were disposed of, against 43,921 in 1862, and in the miscellaneous department 162,276, against 127,959. The nature of the penalties inflicted in these courts is characterised as follows:—10,586 persons sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for various periods not exceeding two years, 817 to simple imprisonment, 6,676 to imprisonment with fine, and 24,302 to pay fines not exceeding Rs. 1,000, but amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 317,531, not a moiety of which was realised. Of the 2,234 appeals, 648 were rejected, 964 confirmed, and 469 modified. It is creditable to the committing officers that 74 per cent. of prisoners sent up to the sessions were convicted. It is also satisfactory to learn that of the 221,528 witnesses called upon to give evidence in court, 95 per cent. were detained for only one day, and no more than 684 persons beyond three days. On the other hand, we are told that the average duration of each criminal trial in the magisterial courts was thirteen days, so that each magistrate could have disposed, on the average, of no more than twenty-four cases in the whole year, if he sat in court every day except Sunday. The Sessions Judges, by the way, devoted 1,570 days to criminal work in 1863, but the number of the Judges so employed is not given—an omission that deprives these figures of all significance. It is difficult, too, to form any very exact estimate of the value of the assistance afforded by the assessors, when we find that every fourth case was decided by the Judge contrary to the opinion of his assessors, who are supposed to discharge, in a mild form, the functions of a British Jury. Possibly—indeed, most probably—this difference of opinion arose from the ignorance and obstinacy of the assessors, for we observe that 1,083 out of 2,982 were cultivators of the soil, 808 mahajuns, or money-lenders, 469 pleaders, 182 "employed in service" (whatever that may mean), and 21 of the sacerdotal order. The question, therefore, arises, are these assessors of any real service to the cause of justice, or do they not rather hamper than assist the judge? Seventy-seven cases alone were referred to the Nizamut Adawlut for confirmation of sentence, and of these 63 involved capital punishment. The penalties imposed by that High Court were as follows:—Death, 60; transportation for life, 17; transportation from 7 to 14 years, 12; imprisonment for life, 0; ditto above 12, and not exceeding 21

years, 0; ditto above 5, and not exceeding 10 years, 13; ditto not exceeding 5 years, 60; in all, 162. The returns from the Ajmere and Mhairwarrah Districts are not included in the foregoing statistics.

The section headed Police furnishes matter for unfavourable comment. Though 232 murders were committed, in only 195 cases were arrests made, and even then, of the 621 individuals committed for trial, no more than 323 were convicted. Dacoities and robberies were largely in excess of those reported during the previous year. As many as 342 cases were entered in the police registers, but in only 96 were arrests made, and of the 614 individuals sent for trial, 242 alone were condemned. Again, there was an enormous increase in cases of lurking, house trespass, and theft; in the former from 9,241 to 12,002, and in the latter from 18,805 to 25,994. The value of property stolen also rose from Rs. 768,146 to Rs. 975,981. This very unsatisfactory state of things is attributed to the high price and scarcity of food, the habit of remitting large sums in cash from Calcutta to pay for cotton and other up-country produce, and to the general prevalence of gambling; but a little further on it is incidentally admitted that something may be due to the new organisation of the police force. The Lullutpore district is especially mentioned as the haunt of regular bands of outlaws, who oppose arms to arms, and keep the country in a state of permanent disorder. In the Kumaon division there were 141 cases of accidental death, 38 by falls down precipices, 26 by wild animals, and 13 by snake-bites. In addition to the causes of the increase of crime enumerated above, it may perhaps be fair to state that a reduction had been made in the numbers of the police force, apparently with a view to augment the pay of the officers, and yet at the same time effect a reduction in the total expenditure. The result scarcely sanctions such empirical economy.

The report on jails is quite as unsatisfactory as that on the police. We read that the number of admissions was 2,294 more than in 1862, but that the daily average number of prisoners was less by 216, "indicating a general shortening of the sentences awarded by committing officers." In the face of a large increase of crime such leniency was, to say the least of it, misplaced, and illustrates the too general proneness to sacrifice every other consideration to retrenchment of expenditure. The cost of each prisoner was, after all, greater than in 1862, owing to the steady rise in the price of every necessary of life. Too much stress, also, is laid upon the amount earned by prison labour, and space is found to make mention even of the vegetables grown and consumed by the convicts. Such calculations as these may be a suitable pastime for amateur political

economists, but they are altogether beside the true point of prison discipline. Some credit is claimed for the diminution of mortality in jails, the average rate being 7·2 per cent. Typhoid fever, however, appeared in six jails, and epidemic cholera in nine, which says but little for the sanitary arrangements; and of 319 cases of cholera in an average population of 8,969 per diem, 152, or 47·6, proved fatal. It is not denied that the jails are overcrowded, but we are assured that this is of the less consequence, because the wards of native jails “rather resemble open cages than confined rooms, are supplied with ventilators, and have tiled roofs pervious to the air.” The Lieutenant-governor is further of opinion that “four feet of lateral space to each prisoner will be found sufficient,” because of the loftiness of the wards, but his Honour appears to forget that if brought into such close juxtaposition, the prisoners will inhale each other's breath and the foul air that is given off from their bodies, a lateral space of four feet to each allowing an interval of only two feet between any two prisoners. It is pleasant, however, to observe that the system of selecting prisoners to perform the duties of an intramural guard has been found to work well. The prisoners thus employed are described as “the most ready willing (*sic*) workers, besides being the neatest and cleanest, and the best drilled portion of the contingent guard.” To impart a sense of responsibility to a prisoner is the surest means of developing his self-respect, and the best way of making a man worthy of confidence is to place confidence in him. Of the 22,550 prisoners received into jail, 21,261 had never been convicted, 771 had been twice, 321 thrice, and 197 frequently convicted. As for education, it is only in central jails that much can be done, and it is stated that of 19,873 prisoners, 14,608 were entirely uneducated, while of the remaining 5,265, “no less than 4,370 had received their whole education in jail.” The system of managing district jails by means of civil assistant surgeons is spoken of in favourable terms, the reason assigned for such praise being a large reduction in the cost of maintenance—but do the prisoners retain their health and strength under their reduced diet?

But whatever may have been the condition of the convict population, the revenue returns bear witness to the general prosperity of the agricultural community. The land revenue realised amounted to 98·47 per cent. of the total demand, in addition to which eight lakhs of arrears were collected. At the close of the year, however, the outstanding balances were equal to half-a-million sterling. Of this upwards of £200,000 were subsequently remitted in the Rohilkund Division, and we gladly recognise the liberality and sagacity of the

remark that “there cannot be a more baneful incubus upon the energies of landlords and tenants than heavy and long-standing arrears of revenue.” Under the head of Excise there was a slight falling off, in consequence of the abolition of the old system of farming out the abkaree duties, and the establishment of Sudder Distilleries, “within which alone parties duly licensed are permitted to erect stills and manufacture liquor, which they can sell only to licensed vendors, or to persons who pay a still-head duty.” No one will regret to learn that the consumption of spirituous liquors has considerably declined, or that the number of spirit-shops was reduced from 5,481 to 3,189. The total receipts from the various sources of revenue are thus stated:—

Land revenue, current ...	Rs. 3,80,72,935
“ “ arrears ...	7,99,837
“ “ not on rent roll ...	11,11,636
Surplus Tulubana ...	32,538
Abkaree ...	22,85,074
Stamp ...	20,26,341
Sayer ...	91,451
Sale of confiscated lands ...	5,79,252
Customs ...	48,22,878
Income tax ...	81,10,456

Grand total for 1862-63 ... Rs. 5,29,32,398

To the above, however, must be added the sum of Rs. 7,09,675, collected from the Ajmere and Mhairwarrah districts.

There yet remains very much that is worthy of notice in this record of a year's administration, but any further remarks on the subject we reserve for our next issue.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 22.

Petitions for redress of grievances occasioned by the amalgamation of the Royal and Indian armies were presented by Colonel SYKES, from Lieut. F. D. Plowden, 17th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Lieut. C. Minroy, 19th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and Brevet-captain F. B. Phillips, 22nd Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Sir R. CLIFTON, from Capt. J. W. Orr, 19th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Lieut.-colonel W. G. Owen, 11th Regiment Madras Army, and Lieut. C. L. Raikes, 8th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. TORRENS, from Capt. H. E. Ryves, 19th Regiment Madras Army, Major A. B. Read, 12th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and Lieut.-colonel C. P. Molony, 25th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and by Mr. WHITE, from Lieut. E. G. Morrogh, 38th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Lieut. G. Murray, 21st Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and Capt. Henry C. Newberry, 51st Regiment Madras Native Infantry.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 23.

Petitions praying for the redress of grievances arising from the amalgamation of the Royal and Indian armies were presented, by Mr. CHEETHAM (3), from Major Hood, of the 4th Regiment, Punjab Infantry; from Capt. A. Cumine, 4th Regiment, Bengal Native Infantry; and from Capt. J. H. Inglefield, of the late 38th Regiment, Bengal Native Infantry; by Colonel SYKES (3), from Colonel John Liptrap, of the Bengal Army; from Major R. Mainwaring, of the late 6th Regiment, Bengal European Infantry; and from Lieut.-colonel Macmullen, of the late 3rd

Bengal European Cavalry; by Colonel FRENCH (3), from Capt. C. Terrot, late 29th Bengal Native Infantry; from Capt. T. E. Webster, late 63rd Bengal Native Infantry; and from Major H. J. Templer, late 5th Bengal European Regiment; and by Mr. HOWES (3), from Major A. C. Philipps, of the 36th Madras Native Infantry; from Major J. Harkness, of the 4th Madras Native Infantry; and from Capt. S. W. Lennox, of the 23rd Madras Native Infantry.

MADRAS IRRIGATION COMPANY.

Mr. SMOLLETT asked the Secretary for India what was the present position of the Madras Irrigation Company, and what was the amount expended in irrigation works up to the last account received from India; and whether any prospect existed of the repayment of the interest guaranteed upon the capital of the company, or of a participation by Government in the enormous profits which it was said that works undertaken by the State invariably produced in every district of the Madras Presidency.

Sir C. WOOD said with regard to the position of the company, they were carrying on their works. The sum which they had raised was about £790,000, and the sum spent about £717,000. About the month of July next there would be 10,000 acres under irrigation. Though he had never entertained any extravagant expectations with regard to the matter, he believed there was every prospect that the Government would be repaid the money which they had advanced.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 24.

Petitions praying for the redress of grievances arising out of the amalgamation of the Royal and Indian armies were presented by Colonel SYKES, from Captain Edward N. Norton, of the late 18th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Lieut. F. E. West, of the 38th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieut. G. Thomas, of the late 50th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. HUNT, from Major-General John Hobson, of the Bombay Army; Brevet Lieut.-Colonel Hawkey, of the late 74th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; and Colonel Henry Milne, of the 1st Regiment Bengal Native Infantry.

THE GODAVERY.

In reply to Mr. SMOLLETT, Sir C. WOOD said that two despatches on the subject of the Godavery works had been received last year, both of which had been laid upon the table upon the motion of the hon. gentleman. Four steamers were now employed for the purpose of carrying stores and materials up and down the Godavery. He believed that orders had been given for the execution of the works at the first barrier.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 27.

The following petitions were presented complaining of injuries to their prospects in consequence of the arrangements for re-organising the Indian army:—By Mr. W. H. SYKES, from Major G. T. Dick, of the 3rd Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Captain H. G. Dickinson, of the 45th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and Captain E. L. M. Evans, of the late 51st Regiment Madras Native Infantry; also from Captain M. K. Bourne, of the 47th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Lieutenant F. S. Fitzgerald, of the 42nd Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Lieutenant-Colonel W. G. Hicks, of the late 22nd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, and Brevet-Major F. P. Bailey, of the late 6th European Regiment Bengal Infantry; by Mr. GRANT DUFF, from Captain C. M. W. James, of the 6th Regiment Bombay Infantry, Lieutenant D. C. Bell, of the 17th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, and Captain John Berthon, of the 18th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry; by Mr. BAXTER, from Lieutenant Thomas S. M. Robinson, of the 21st Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Lieutenant H. G.

Woods, of the late 1st Regiment Madras Fusiliers, and Lieutenant H. A. T. Nepean, of the 40th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. M'MAHON, from Major Hugh Grant, of her Majesty's late 74th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry, and from Lieutenant N. G. Saunders, of the late 3rd Regiment of Bengal European Infantry; by Major GAVIN, from Brevet Lieut.-colonel Dewaal, of the late 34th Regiment of Bengal Infantry, from Captain W. Playfair, of the late 4th Regiment of Bengal Infantry, and from Captain T. Ogilvie, of the 27th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry; by Mr. Moor, from Captain D. Cloete, of the 5th Regiment of Madras Native Infantry, and from Captain A. Child, of the 8th Regiment of Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. White, from Major Fraser, of the late 1st Regiment of Madras Fusiliers, from Captain T. R. Griffiths, of the 48th Regiment of Madras Native Infantry, and from Lieut. S. H. Gordon, of the 46th Regiment of Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. Crawford, from Captain A. T. Baldwin, of the 49th Regiment of Madras Native Infantry, and from Capt. W. H. A. Butler, of the 23rd Regiment of Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. Dunlop, from Captain Charles Bachelor, of the 18th Regiment of Bengal Cavalry, from Captain W. B. Peile, of the late 38th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry, and from Lieutenant A. F. Lindsay, of the 8th Regiment of Bengal Cavalry; by Mr. WHITE, from Captain R. Church, of the late 47th Regiment of Madras Native Infantry, and from Captain Richard Cox, of the 38th Regiment of Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. H. SEYMOUR, from Lieutenant-colonel J. J. Combe, of the 18th Regiment of Bombay Infantry, and from Captain A. Hawthorne, of the 9th Regiment of Bombay Infantry; and by Mr. AYRTON, from Brevet-major F. M. Davis, 44th Regiment of Madras Native Infantry, from Captain R. W. Duff, of the late 47th Regiment, and from Lieutenant W. C. Drummond, of the 36th Regiment of Madras Native Infantry.

COURT OF BANKRUPTCY, BASINGHALL-STREET.—Feb. 24.

(Before Mr. Commissioner Holroyd.)
IN RE THOMAS SMALES.

Captain Thomas Smales was described as formerly paymaster of the 1st Dragoon Guards and other regiments of cavalry, and serving at Lucknow and elsewhere in India; now of Clapton-square, Hackney, paymaster on half-pay. The bankrupt presented his petition to this Court on the 15th of April last, and on the 24th of the following month he filed his accounts, disclosing unsecured debts to the extent of £3,343, with no assets whatever. At an examination meeting held on the 8th of June the bankrupt was ordered to prepare a cash account, and this having been rendered he, on the 4th of November last, passed his examination, the question of discharge being postponed until this day in order that certain creditors resident in India might have an opportunity of proving their debts.

Mr. Bagley, who appeared for creditors, said that since the last meeting further proofs had been received, some of which were perfectly regular, and were vouched by dishonoured checks, while others were made in respect of moneys due from the bankrupt to certain recognised associations connected with the regiments, such as the officers' mess and the sergeants' mess; and there was a further proof on account of moneys received by the bankrupt for transmission to the Soldiers' Orphan Institute. Of the eight debts represented by the regular proofs, six were altogether excluded from the accounts. With respect to the other proofs a difficulty arose as to who would be the proper deponent.

Mr. Commissioner Holroyd: I think the acting paymaster may prove.

Mr. Bagley: Perhaps that may be so.

Upon the bankrupt being called, no answer was given.

Mr. Bagley said he was not at all surprised at the bankrupt's absence. He proposed that the present meeting should be adjourned *sine die*, and he asked that notice should be given to his clients of any further sitting.

Mr. Sykes, on behalf of the official assignee, undertook to give the necessary notice, and

The Court adjourned the further hearing *sine die*.

Mr. Bagley: My clients will take such steps in this matter as they may be advised.

Adjourned *sine die* accordingly.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE LATE VISCOUNT COMBERMERE.—With a characteristic and kindly regard for the sorrows of others, her Majesty the Queen, during the last illness of Field-Marshal Combermere, caused frequent inquiries to be made by telegraph as to the condition of his lordship; and shortly after his decease, Lady Combermere received from her Majesty a letter of condolence, written by the Queen herself—a mark of attention, it may be said, deeply appreciated by the afflicted lady. The funeral of the late veteran soldier is appointed to take place on Thursday next, in the family mausoleum of the Cottons at Wrenbury, in the county of Chester.

THE MAILS, &c.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamer *Nyanza*, Captain Weeks, sailed from Southampton yesterday (Monday) afternoon with the mails for Gibraltar, the Mediterranean, Egypt, Aden, and Bombay, together with 35 first and 33 second-class passengers, and a freight of 290 boxes of specie for Bombay, value £97,900, of which amount is bar gold, £12,500, bar silver, £78,800, gold coin, £5,500, gold and silver thread, watches, &c., £1,100.

MADRAS RAILWAY.—The traffic receipts on this company's south-west line for the half-year ending the 31st of December last amounted, on 447 miles open, to £155,572, or £325 per mile, against £121,089, on 407 miles open, or £297 per mile, for the corresponding period of 1863. On the company's north-west line the receipts for the six months have been £12,229, on 60 miles open, or £204 per mile, against £6,616, on 41 miles open, or £161 per mile, for the same period of the previous year. On the two lines together the increase for the six months has been £40,096, or 31½ per cent. in receipts, and 59 miles, or 13 per cent. in length of way open.

THE MAURITIUS GOVERNMENT 6 PER CENT. LOAN of £300,000, for which the Crown Agents for the Colonies invited tenders on the 23rd inst., was not all taken up. The total applied for was £330,100, but the *minimum* was fixed at 103, at and above which debentures to the extent of only £118,800, and registered stock to the extent of only £31,600, were disposed of, at an average of £104. 15s. 4d.

ORIENTAL COMMERCIAL COMPANY.—The general meeting took place on Wednesday, Admiral Burney in the chair, when a resolution was agreed to, adopting the minute of the 26th January last, and authorising the increase of the capital to £3,000,000; and that the constitution of the company be modified, as expressed in that of the Oriental Commercial Bank (Limited), under the name, powers, and privileges of which the business of the company shall be henceforward carried on, and also authorising the directors to take such proceedings as shall appear to them requisite or expedient in furtherance of the object of the resolution.

LABUAN COAL COMPANY.—An extraordinary meeting was held on Friday, when the proposed transfer of the property to the China Steamship and Labuan Coal Company was approved.

CHINA AND JAPAN (COAST AND RIVER) STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.—At an extraordinary meeting of the China and Japan (Coast and River) Steam Navigation Company, held on Thursday, the agreement entered into with the China Steamship and Labuan Coal Company, founded upon the resolutions embodied in the circular issued to the shareholders, was carried unanimously. A liquidator was appointed.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 23. Shannon, Bombay; Isabella, Penang; Dane, Mauritius.—25. Remington, Bombay; Astipodes, Bombay; Evadne, Pondicherry; Jane Henderson, Rangoon; Era, Mauritius; Tornado, Calcutta; Lorenzo, Moulmein.—27. Christabel, Mauritius; Wilhelmina, Batavia.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

BAKER—The wife of R. E. W. Baker, Esq., late of Bombay, of a son, at Elysium-villa, Fulham, Feb. 6.

GLOVER—The wife of Thomas C. Glover, C.E., Bombay, of a daughter, at 1, Albany-street, Leith, Feb. 23.

TAYLER—The wife of S. H. C. Tayler, Esq., B.C.S., of a son, at 15, Carlton-road, Maida-vale, Feb. 20.

WREN—The wife of Capt. R. F. Wren, late of H.M.'s 3rd regt. Bombay Light Cavalry, of a daughter, at Abbotsham, near Bideford, Feb. 19.

MARRIAGES.

BEVAN—MORIER.—Frederick L., son of Charles James Bevan, Esq., of Bryanston-square, to Augusta L., eldest daughter of the late Vice-Admiral William Morier, of Eastbourne, Sussex, at St. Mary's, Bryanston-square, Feb. 16.

CHANDLER—HOME.—The Rev. Henry Christian D. Chandler, rector of Narbertu, Pembrokeshire, to Harriet Mary, daughter of the late Major general Robert Home, C.B., of the Madras Army, at St. Mary's Church, Tenby, Feb. 23.

HOGG—PURKIS.—Captain George Forbes Hogg, H.M.'s 2nd Belooch Regt., son of the late Major general Adam Hogg, Bombay Army, to Elizabeth Maria C., daughter of Harry Purkis, Esq., at Sturmer, Essex, Feb. 23.

MARTIN—HICKS.—The Rev. Edward B. Martin, rector of West Grimstead, Wilts, youngest son of Admiral Martin, of Bitterne-lodge, Hants, to Augusta L., daughter of the Rev. William Hicks, rector of Coberley and of Whittington, Gloucestershire, at Coberley, Feb. 21.

MARTYN—HUDLESTON.—Cecil Edward Martyn, Esq., the Carabiniers, to Gertrude, daughter of the late William Hudleston, Esq., Madras Civil Service, at Walcot Church, Bath, Feb. 23.

PHILLIPS—TALBOT.—Edward Nunes, youngest son of Sidney James Phillips, Esq., of Llanelli, Carmarthenshire, South Wales, to Cecil Mary, eldest daughter of the Hon. Gerald C. Talbot, at St. James's, Piccadilly, by the Hon. and Rev. W. C. Talbot, rector of Hatfield, uncle of the bride, assisted by the Rev. E. Phillips, incumbent of St. Mark's, Surbiton, Feb. 23.

DEATHS.

BULLOCK—Major general Stanley Bullock, Madras Cavalry, at Southampton, Feb. 17.

DUFF—Ann S. D., wife of the Rev. Alexander Duff, D.D., late of Calcutta, at 1, Buckingham-terrace, Edinburgh, Feb. 22.

EYRE—The Rev. G. H., vicar, son of the late Vice-Admiral Sir George Eyre, K.C.B., and brother of the late Major general Sir W. Eyre, K.C.B., at Brighton.

HEARSEY—Lady Hearsey, the wife of Lieut. gen. Sir John Hearsey, K.C.B., at 24, Rue Marquetra, Boulogne-sur-Mer, Feb. 20.

WILLIAMSON—George Williamson, Esq., sen., late of Assam, at Sydenham, aged 53, Feb. 22.

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DATES OF ADVICES.

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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

WE are in receipt of letters and papers from Calcutta to the 6th, and from Bombay to the 14th of February.

The news from Bhootan is so far unfavourable that it announces a renewal of hostilities on the part of the enemy. It may be, indeed, that the Bhootiahs have now made their last despairing effort to repel the invaders, and that they will now be content to leave the task of vengeance to the armies of ghosts, with whose wrath they had previously menaced the British Government. Be this as it may, it is stated by a correspondent of the *Englishman*, that the enemy attacked Dewangiri, in force, on the 29th January, but were repulsed with considerable loss. It is evident, however, that they must have displayed unusual courage and pertinacity, for the British loss amounted to Lieut. Urquhart, of the Engineers, and five sepoy killed, and Lieutenant Story and thirty-eight sepoys wounded. The last-named officer was wounded in the stomach by an arrow. This untoward affair may possibly necessitate the further advance of the invading force, as it will never do to leave small detached garrisons exposed to sudden onslaughts from neighbours whose treachery in peace is more to be feared than their open hostility. Besides, it is reported that the Dhurm Rajah proposes to seek for a compensation for his

recent reverses, at the hands of the Sikkim Rajah, but the British Government will scarcely permit the nearer approach of the Bhootiahs to the station of Darjeeling. Verily, the beginning of strife is like unto the letting out of water.

The adoption of the Port Canning scheme by the Bombay capitalists has turned the heads of the usually timid speculators of Calcutta. The shares at their very allotment opened at a premium of Rs. 4,000, which subsequently ran up to Rs. 9,000, and after dropping to Rs. 5,000, again rose to Rs. 7,000. The scene at the office of Messrs. Borradaile, Schiller, and Co., is described as recalling the sad memories of the Rue Quincampoix during the Mississippi Mania, and of our own Exchange at the time of the South Sea Bubble. It is to be hoped that the collapse will not be so sudden or so complete as in those parallel cases.

The financial prospects of India are represented under the gloomiest colours. Sir Charles Trevelyan has proved himself to be what the disinterested spectators of his career had long suspected. He has shown himself to be a faithful, strict, intermeddling head clerk—and nothing more. His knowledge of finance has never risen beyond the elementary rules of arithmetic, while his idea of retrenchment has exemplified itself in abolishing a few small charges, and creating a host of large ones. His own department he has gone on augmenting until, like Aaron's rod, it has swallowed up all the others, and now overshadows the very Government itself. That there is a serious deficit to be made good no one seems to question,—the only difference of opinion relates to the mode of accomplishing that feat, for as the days of antique heroism are supposed to have long since departed, it is idle to expect that Sir Charles will throw himself into the yawning gulf; and if he did, it would not avail much. It is feared that Sir Charles has been guilty of the folly of prematurely diverting a large portion of the cash balances to the extinction of Government securities; and it is certain that he greatly overestimated the revenue from opium. The price per chest, instead of continuing at Rs. 1,000, has fallen to little more than Rs. 800, and the consequent loss to the Indian revenue is computed at one and a-half million sterling. In addition to all this, there is only too much reason to apprehend that Sir Charles Trevelyan is bent upon the abolition of the income-tax in July next, at

whatever inconvenience to the State. That tax is naturally an unpopular one, but the natives have become as much reconciled to it as to any other form of taxation, and the Bombay Native Association has even petitioned for its continuance. Nor is this surprising, when it is known that the substitute Sir Charles is expected to recommend takes the form of a police-tax of nearly double the amount of that derived from incomes, and which will be levied upon every house, hut, and hovel throughout British India. Neither is it at all wonderful that Sir Charles's health should have so completely broken down under the sense of failure, that he will probably be compelled to take his departure from India before the time arrives for making his annual Financial Statement.

Small-pox has broken out rather severely in Calcutta and its suburbs, and has attacked Europeans as well as natives. A suddenly improvised hospital at Chitpore received almost immediately upwards of seventy patients of both races. Thirteen special stations have been appointed, at nine of which vaccination is performed gratuitously and at the other four for a trifling fee. The Gas Company, too, have given up their house in Halliday-street for the reception of European patients in a position to pay for the accommodation, and the greatest praise is given to Dr. Charles, Superintendent of Vaccination, for the devoted and self-denying energy he has displayed in opposing the progress of this horrible disease.

Another fire has occurred among the shipping in the port of Calcutta. The *City of Benares*, loaded with jute and timber, has been burnt to the water's edge, but nothing is known as to the cause of the fire.

A terrible railway accident has been providentially escaped on the Great India Peninsula line. Not only was a loaded rail placed across the tramway, but at intervals heavy iron posts were arranged so as to reduce the chance of escape to a minimum. The train was partially upset, but, almost by a miracle, no lives were lost or any very severe personal injuries sustained. As this is not the first attempt of the kind, it is possible that fanaticism may be at the bottom of this diabolical act, though the sufferers would have been nearly all natives.

The opening of the Indo-European Telegraph Line is one of the most remarkable events of the past week. It does not

appear, however, to have been productive of unmitigated good. The news flashed to Bombay and Calcutta of the Peace Conference in Hampton Roads naturally caused a heavy decline in the price of piece goods, and produced something like a panic, which would, however, have been speedily relieved had telegraphic communication been continued. But, unfortunately, as in the case of the Atlantic cable, the wires became deranged at the very outset, and we must hope that this great triumph of science over time and space has not been permanently suspended, after being only temporarily successful.

The Viceroy and Council were expected to leave Calcutta for Simla early in the present month. Mr. Beadon, we rejoice to learn, has so far recovered his health that he has abandoned all intention of quitting his post, and it is the Hon. Mr. Grey who takes leave of absence, though only to the Hills. In our miscellaneous columns will be found a long list of prospective changes and promotions in official life.

H.R.H. the Duke of Brabant has completed his tour of the North-West Provinces, and will proceed from Calcutta to China. The natives are said to have been much perplexed by the Prince's simple costume being no way distinguishable from that of any other gentleman.

AGRA AND MASTERMAN'S BANK.—The report of the Agra and Masterman's Bank, to be presented on Saturday, shows that the profits for the year ended the 31st December were £263,120, out of which distributions have been made equal to 20 per cent. per annum, leaving £16,321 to be carried forward. The reserve fund now stands at £500,000. The paid-up capital is £1,500,000, the deposits are £5,977,756, the acceptances £4,408,860, and the liabilities on exchange accounts, &c., £4,859,120.

EXPORT OF BULLION.

Per the P. & O.S.N. Company's str. *Ripon*, March 1.

	Gold.	Silver.
Madras.....	—	£170
Calcutta.....	—	6,160
Penang.....	—	1,628
Singapore.....	£1,007	—
Hong Kong.....	—	35,000
Shanghai.....	—	1,082
Yokohama.....	—	1,500
	£1,007	£45,490

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

BENGAL.—Lieut. col. Charles Fitzgerald, of the Bengal Army, Retired List, at Mount Edgar, Sudbury, Devon, aged 70, Feb. 25. M. J. Adams, Deputy Commissioner of Peshawar, from wounds received at the hands of a Mahomedan fanatic. Ens. G. Robinson, 94th Regt., aged 22, at Fort Kangra, Jan. 22. W. A. Basevi, Esq., District Engineer of Benares, on board the str. *Bengal*, on his voyage to England, Feb. 3. A. M. Macgregor, Esq., Bengal C.S., at Alipore, Jan. 24. F. W. Sims, Esq., late Consulting Engineer to the Government of India, at 50, Torrington-square, aged 62, Feb. 27. Edward Dodwell, Esq., formerly of the late H.E.I.C.S., at Endersleyville, Shaftesbury road, Hammersmith, aged 76, Feb. 24. **MADRAS.**—T. Collingwood, Esq., late of the H.E.I.C.S., at 137, New North-road, aged 78, Feb. 21.

Passengers by the present Mail.

For MARSEILLES.—From BOMBAY.—Mr. P. S. Melville, Mr. Orr, Col. Wilby, Dr. Somerville, Capt. Harding, Mr. Pritchard, Mr. and Mrs. Wood and infant, Gen. Heath, Mr. H. Campbell and child, Capt. and Mrs. Blair and infant, Lieut. and Mrs. Edwards and two children.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. *Poonah*, March 13.—From BOMBAY to MALTA.—Lieut. Moreton. From ALEXANDRIA to MALTA.—James Murphy. From ALEXANDRIA to GIBRALTAR.—J. D. Gibb. From BOMBAY to SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Lister and infant, Mr. Rods, Ensign Hunter, Ensign Neil, Mr. and Mrs. Baylee, Mr. O'Grady, Major and Mrs. Grant. From MAURITIUS to SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. Desenne. From MALTA to GIBRALTAR.—Mr. W. Gibbs, Capt. and Mrs. Sheys and infant.

BENGAL.

BHOOTAN AND THE BHOOTIAHS.

The Hon. Mr. Eden has been writing a most graphic and interesting report upon what cannot but be looked upon as an exceedingly dry and uninteresting subject, the revenue and judicial systems, and the general condition of the people of Bhootan. We have no doubt but that everything connected with that place, its savage and oppressed people, and its selfish and merciless chiefs, is repellent to the general reader; yet, we think, that as many of the former will soon be fellow-subjects with us, and a large portion of the country will, in all likelihood, be occupied by those who know how to take advantage of the favours which a grateful soil pours forth, a little attention to the subjects touched upon in this report will not be thrown away. To know how these queer people have hitherto lived and moved, and had their being, their social rites and customs, their laws and usages, their religious views and creeds, is not altogether devoid of interest. It is only necessary to glance at the report before us, to see that many of the ideas which we, in common with the public, have hitherto cherished on some of these points are altogether erroneous. For instance, we have always imagined that the Bhootanese lived in dreary little hovels, made up of twigs and earth roughly put together anyhow, without any particular regard to appearances. We fancied we saw them crawl in and out of vile and smoky cribs, something like those which the fishermen of the Sunderbuns inhabit. Our astonishment was therefore the greater on learning from so unquestionably reliable a source as the late envoy to Bhootan that so far from this being a correct conception of the actual state of affairs, the Bhootanese live in houses really better than many small farm-houses in England, and that the buildings are composed either of rubble stone and clay or *empisé* clay. Under the latter process, clay mixed with small stone is placed in a wooden frame, and trodden down until it is consolidated into a block which quickly hardens, and in course of years acquires nearly the solidity of stone. Mr. Eden says that it lasts for many years, and that he saw "old ruins made of this composite, which must have been built more than a hundred years ago, the walls of which were like concrete." As if all this were not strange enough, we learn a little further on that the houses are built of three and four stories; that all the floors are neatly boarded with deal, and that on two sides of the house is a very pretty verandah, ornamented with carved and painted deal. These houses, the appearance of which is said to be precisely that of Swiss *chalets*, are not only singularly picturesque and comfortable, but are generally scrupulously clean and free from vermin. Each house has a good farmyard and farm out-houses. To add to the beauty of this picture, we have the fact that the Bhooteah cultivator lays out his land in a series of really beautiful terraces levelled from the side of the Hill, each terrace being reveted and supported with stone embankments sometimes twenty feet high. Every field is carefully fenced with pine branches, or protected by a stone wall; and a complete system of irrigation permeates through the whole cultivated part of a village, the water being often brought from a long distance through stone aqueducts. If this description of the status of a Bhooteah cultivator does not astonish our readers, then we must suspect that their acquaintance with the occupant of the Swiss cottage with deal doors is of longer standing than ours has been. That a Bhooteah should live cleanly, and eschew vermin, produce turnips as good as English ones, plough terraces 7,000 and 8,000 feet above the level of the sea, and should take a pride in adorning his house and making it as picturesque as possible, is indeed amazing.

What a pity it is that all this rural industry

and quiet should be marred by the short-sighted and merciless selfishness of ignorant superiors! The only limit, we are told, on the revenue demand on the Bhooteah is the natural limit of the power of the official to extort more. Nothing that a Bhooteah possesses is his own, for he is at all times liable to lose it, if it attract the cupidity of anyone more powerful than himself. In fact, the lower classes are nothing better than slaves. They have no rights of property, simply because there never was a country in which "might" is more entirely "right" than in Bhootan. No official, says Mr. Eden, receives a salary; he has certain districts made over to him, and he may get what he can out of them; a certain portion of his gains he has to send to the Durbar, and the more he extorts, and the more he sends to his superior, the longer his tenure of office is likely to be. But this tyranny, we naturally suppose, produces a corresponding dishonesty and craftiness on the part of the Bhooteahs, and it is not unfrequently that the cunning of the latter achieves a victory over the brute force of his superior. Affecting to cultivate a certain extent of land supposed to produce a certain quantity and no more, the Bhooteah devotes his whole energies to making it produce twice as much. The surplus he conceals in the forest till he has an opportunity of disposing of it to some adventurous friend, who is secretly engaged in trade with the surrounding countries. The prices realised more than compensate for the risk incurred in this system of smuggling. Of course in a country where might is right, there can be no judicial system and no police. The powers which the Jungpens possess are only exercised for the purpose of extortion. Where the goods, chattels and effects of any of these officials are robbed, capital punishment is inflicted. This is done by placing the delinquent on a drop projecting over the river; he is allowed here any indulgence he wishes, however immoral it may be, and the indulgence which is customary on the occasion, remarks Mr. Eden, is of the most indecent description. His hands and feet are then tied, and he is dropped into the river. We now take leave of this very interesting report. It is a pity that it has not been published, for however uninviting its titles may be, its pages are full of reading of a very pleasant, and curious, and novel character.—*Hurkaru*.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE DUKE OF BRABANT AT LUCKNOW.—H.R.H. the Duke of Brabant and suite arrived at Lucknow on the afternoon of the 21st January. For the last few miles of his journey H.R.H. was escorted by a detachment of the 8th Bengal Cavalry, and at the Alum Bagh he was met by the Chief Commissioner and the Major-general commanding the division. After visiting Havelock's tomb, the party entered the Chief Commissioner's carriage, and were driven into the station. The roads leading to Mr. Wingfield's house were lined with troops, and at the entrance gate the officers of the staff were assembled to receive his Royal Highness. As the carriage drove up to the house, a Royal salute was fired, and the guard of honour, which had been drawn up before the door, presented arms, while the band played the National Anthem. On the morning of the 22nd H.R.H. visited the Kaisur Bagh Palace, where he was received by the Commissioner, and a deputation from the landed aristocracy of the Province. The Prince then went to the Residency, where he met Sir George Couper, who pointed out the most interesting spots. In the afternoon, the illustrious visitor, with his host, drove round the Dilkoosha Cantonments, paid a short visit to the Martiniere, and after strolling through the Wingfield-park, crossed by the Secundra Bagh, and drove round by the Stone Bridge. On

Monday the Muchee Bhawun was visited by the Duke, and there the General and his staff were ready to receive him. After going through Asufdowla's Emambarra, H.R.H. ascended to the roof, where he remained some time, and apparently enjoyed the view of the city and surrounding country. The next visit was to the Hossanabad Emambarra, where Nawabs Moosum-ood-dowla Bahadoor and Moontuz-o Dod-oolah Bahadoor, the trustees, were present to do the honours of the place. On Tuesday H.R.H. very graciously accepted the invitation of the Talookdars to witness the illumination of the Kaiser Bagh Palace, and a display of fireworks. At about 9 P.M. H.R.H. and suite, accompanied by the Chief Commissioner, arrived at the south-eastern entrance of the Patherwalla Baradwari, Kaiser Bagh. The Maharajah of Bulrampore, Maharajah Maun Sing, and Baboo Dakhinarunjan Mookerjee, received him at the bottom of the staircase. When they had traversed the splendid hall and taken their seats on the northern platform, the display of fireworks was begun, and it was continued for nearly an hour. H.R.H. repeatedly expressed his satisfaction with the entertainment. The illumination, though got up at a very short notice, was really brilliant; Kaiser Bagh was one sheet of light. The southern range of buildings presented a magnificent spectacle. The two houses with inverted roofs, with an arch between, decorated with thousands of glittering lights, had a marvellous effect. The pyrotechnic exhibition was indeed a grand one. The Duke, accustomed as he must be to displays of this kind in Europe, was, notwithstanding, extremely gratified with it.—*Oudh Gazette*.

THE DUKE OF BRABANT AT AGRA.—His Royal Highness the Duc de Brabant arrived in Agra on the 26th January. A guard of honour, consisting of a hundred rank and file, with the colours and band from H.M.'s 23rd Royal Welsh Fusiliers, under the command of a field officer, received H.R.H. on the railway station platform. The guard presented arms, the band playing the National Anthem. His Royal Highness, in company with Brigadier General Harris, walked passed the guard, and returning left the station in a carriage and four, the company present and the band following immediately after. A royal salute was fired from the Shah Burj of the fort as H.R.H. and party stepped on the Pontoon Bridge. The chief military and civil officers of the station were in attendance. A detachment of the 12th B.C., consisting of two duffa lars and twenty sowars, under the command of a Ressaldar, will form His Royal Highness's escort during his stay in Agra.

FINANCE AND ACCOUNT DEPARTMENT.—The following changes in the department of Finance and Account are to take place immediately. Mr. E. F. Harrison, Deputy Auditor, Accountant General and Civil Pay Master of British Burmah, is to come down to the Presidency with the least possible delay, and assist Mr. Foster, the Finance Commissioner, in carrying out the English system of payment, examination and adjustment of charges, Civil and Military. Mr. H. A. Mangles, Civil Paymaster of the Bombay Presidency, to succeed Mr. Harrison in the appointment in British Burmah. Mr. Kiernauder, Chief Assistant to Mr. Harrison, to be *ad interim* Deputy Auditor and Accountant General and Civil Paymaster, British Burmah, until relieved by Mr. Mangles.

MR. MAC NAGHTEN, the late magistrate and collector of Balasore, made a representation of the facts of the case against him to the Lieutenant Governor, and requested that the matter might be laid before the Supreme Government, instead of being sent on to the Secretary of State. This request has been complied with. *On dit* that Mr. Mac Naghten will be allowed another chance of redeeming the good opinion of his superiors.—*Hurkaru*, Feb. 3.

REVIEW OF THE BUDGETS.—The Lieutenant-governor has desired that the plan proposed by the commissioners for the review of the Budgets of 1865-66 shall be adopted. The plan is that his Honour, in conjunction with the Accountant-general, Bengal, a member of the Board of Revenue and the Secretary to the Government of Bengal, are to meet together, and conjointly submit the estimates to the Secretary to the Government of India in the Financial Department, so that one return, without any modification or alteration, may be before Government. The advantage will be that the Supreme Government can at once know the wants of each presidency or Government, without being perplexed by the different figures shown by the various heads of departments, the Accountant-general, or the Bengal Secretary. This plan is certainly the simplest that could have been adopted, and we have no doubt, if followed throughout India, will much simplify the work of the Financial Minister in allotting the grants to the different presidencies and governments. In accordance with this plan his Honour has directed the various functionaries to assemble at Belvidere with the Budgets when the amounts to be asked for are to be settled.—*Hurkaru*.

ADMINISTRATION OF FORESTS.—Dr. T. Anderson, as Conservator of Forests in the Lower Provinces, has the administration of three forests: one in Sikkim, another in Bhootan, and the third in Assam. The last was previously under the management of the Deputy-Commissioner at Nowgong. For the expenses of management and superintendence, he has asked about one and a half lac of rupees. This sum includes his own and the subordinate officers' salaries, establishments, contingencies and expenditure for preserving timber, planting of nurseries, &c. The receipts have been estimated at between sixteen and twenty thousand rupees. But this sum is exclusive of the amounts received at the various local treasuries. The total sum will not be less than half a lack of rupees. This is the first year that the forest expenditure has been directly brought under proper control. In fact, the first year that that department is separately organised. Hence the outlay at the beginning compromises much that will not be incurred in subsequent years; and we have no doubt that in future the receipts will more than cover the disbursements.—*Hurkaru*.

NEW STATION IN THE COSSYAH HILLS.—The Lieutenant-Governor has sanctioned the formation of a new station at Yeoloe, to which the head-quarters of Cossyah and Jynteah Hills have been removed from Cherra Poonjee. The new station is considered healthy; and as the public buildings sanctioned for the new station are being very slowly built, from the difficulty of obtaining labour, his Honour has directed the Inspector of Jails, Lower Provinces, to remove the prisoners in jail at Cherra Poonjee and employ them in building the new jail. An expenditure of Rs. 200 has been authorised for the temporary accommodation of the prisoners.

APPREHENSION OF REBELS.—A correspondent of one of the up-country papers writes of two men being brought into Moradabad (Rohilcund) from Rampore, arrested on a charge of having been the principal instigators in the murder of several European fugitives from Bareilly, when that station was besieged by the rebels in 1857. They were the heads of a village in the Bareilly district, through which their victims had to pass, and are brothers. When the country began to be a little quieted, strong suspicion as to the murders having rested on this village, a party was sent out against it, when one and all of the inhabitants decamped; some, however, were caught and punished, but the ringleaders succeeded in escaping to Rampore, but have now been apprehended on information gained from a man named Gopaul, who has turned Queen's evidence.

SMALL-POX HOSPITAL IN CALCUTTA.—The agent of the Oriental Gas Company has most liberally offered to place at the disposal of Government the house in Halliday-street, lately occupied by their overseers, to be used temporarily as a reception house for European ladies and gentlemen who may be unfortunate enough to be attacked with small-pox, and may desire to separate themselves from the other inmates of their houses. The Government has thankfully accepted the offer, and instructions have been issued to the several departments to make immediate arrangements for the reception, treatment and victualling of the patients; and it is hoped that the hospital will be opened by the 1st February. The situation is an excellent one, the house being in a large compound, with ample ventilation, and within three minutes' walk of the Medical College. Those who should unfortunately have to avail themselves of this reception house should bring with them their bedding and the most necessary articles of furniture. There will be made a charge of two rupees per day for each patient, to pay for the establishment, treatment, and victualling expenses.

NATIVE PROGRESS.—A society for the diffusion of useful knowledge through the medium of the vernaculars, and for the revival of Oriental learning, to which is attached a free public library for the city of Lahore, has been started by the principal of the Lahore College, in conjunction with Pundit Munphool, Divan Beij Nath, Fakir Shums-ud-din Khan, Hursookh Rai, and several others. On the 21st January a number of native gentlemen attended at the Sikia Saba (the building of the Female Education Committee), in order to hear Pundit Munphool and Dr. Leitner explain the objects of the society. These were stated to be (1) the publication of papers on literary, educational, and social questions; (2) the consideration and (wherever practicable) the carrying into effect all suggestions for the amelioration of the condition of the people; (3) the opening of a free public library and reading-room at the Sikia Saba. The meeting unanimously pronounced itself in favour of the objects of the society. Several of those present offered to place their libraries at the disposal of the society, and to assist it by every other means in their power.

THE NAWAB OF BAHAWALPORE has sent in an explanation of the delay which took place in the surrender of the widow of the late Bhawul Singh. According to the Nawab's story, this lady manifested a strong and most reprehensible turn for politics and intriguing, and was guilty of keeping up a communication with the Bahawalpore refugees, who had escaped to Mooltan. The Nawab expressed himself rather ungallantly as being only too glad to get rid of the lady in question, provided her correspondents were removed to Lahore. The Government complied with his request, and the fair cause of all the turmoil was at once surrendered to the British. The widow, however, being in safety, thought with the natural compassion and pity of woman of the melancholy state of those still in the clutches of the vigorous Chieftain of Bahawalpore; she accordingly represented the case to Government, but without effect.

TWENTY-FOUR SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS have been awarded during the current year, and will be held in the following institutions:—Presidency College, 9; Doveton College, 1; Hooghly College, 3; Kishnaghur College, 3; Berhampore College, 4; Dacca College, 4; total, 24. Of these only one is to be held by a Christian—viz., Master G. W. de Rhe' Philipe, of the Doveton College. Nine are of the first grade, and fifteen of the second. The greater portion of the first grade are tenable at the Presidency College.

TROOP-SHIPS FOR ENGLAND.—The *Red Rose* and *Sultana* have been taken up by Government for the conveyance of troops to England at Rs. 235 and 236 respectively.

THE CALCUTTA JAIL.—The honorary magistrates of Calcutta some time back visited the Calcutta Great Jail, and reported the result of their inspection to the local Government. When the magistrates visited the jail there were 128 persons confined within its walls:—17 debtors under process of the High Court, 21 debtors under decrees of the Small Cause Court, 31 sentenced by the High Court to penal servitude; 1 sentenced by the High Court to rigorous imprisonment, 4 sentenced by courts-martial to penal servitude, 1 sentenced to transportation, 4 were under remand, 4 were committed for misdemeanours, 1 confined for want of sureties, 44 were awaiting trial; total, 128. All the native debtors, 33 in number, appeared to the magistrates to be in good health, notwithstanding the indifferent accommodation provided for them, the bedding especially being very dirty and open to fault-finding. One of them made a complaint of the absence of a lamp at night in the urinal attached to their quarters. The jailor promised to remedy this matter; the magistrates, however, were there to personify benevolence as well as examination, and they therefore recommended that the present lavatories should be superseded by proper erections of this kind, those now used being in their opinion prejudicial to the health of the native debtors. There were only five European debtors, and these had ample accommodation, and had no complaints to make. The convicts under the heavier sentences of penal servitude and imprisonment did not make any complaints; the magistrates, however, regretted to see that nothing had yet been done to supply them with a uniform description of prison clothing. This matter had been once before brought to the notice of the authorities, and the magistrates hoped it would not be lost sight of. A German named Baker, however, represented that when his sentence shall have expired, he will be turned into the streets perfectly destitute, without clothing, and without the means of procuring subsistence, and that in all probability he might be driven to the commission of crime to secure the means of existence. The magistrates remarked on this representation that they believed there were two funds dormant under the management of the High Court; the Barretto Fund, and the Martin Fund, and they thought these two might be utilized in providing a few necessities for prisoners situated as Baker represented himself to be. The Magistrates threw out the suggestion that the sheriff should take the opinion of the law officers of the Crown on the subject. They, moreover, suggested the advisability of establishing a library of English and Oriental works, to be supported by public and private contributions, and offered to take the initiative by procuring contributions of serials and other similar works. The magistrates condemned the present system of mixing up in the remand ward all prisoners awaiting trial. Europeans and natives should be kept separate, and they hoped, before their next visit, this would be attended to. They also noticed that twenty-three new cells on the north-west of the gaol required but little to make them serviceable, and they trusted the executive engineer would be instructed to complete them with as little delay as possible. This would, to a great extent, remedy the present indiscriminate packing of the prisoners in the remand ward. The female ward also required alteration, and lastly, the justices discovered two deserters from the ship *Hornet*, who have been illegally kept in the remand ward for seven months. The Government are bound to forward these men to the ship at the expense of the State. Attention has been called to this, and it will no doubt be remedied. On the whole, the state of the jail was satisfactory.—*Hurkaru.*

DUTY ON SALT.—BURMAH.—The rate of duty on salt imported into British Burmah has been fixed at three annas per maund.

BRIGADIER TOMBS AND H.M.'S 81ST.—The following well-deserved tribute is paid by Brigadier-general Tombs, C.B. and V.C. to the gallant 81st, on the eve of returning home:—"Her Majesty's 81st Regiment will commence its march towards the Presidency *en route* to England on Friday next, the 26th Jan., at such hour as the officer commanding may appoint. In bidding farewell to this regiment, which has served for the last two years in the Gwalior district, the Brigadier-general commanding desires to place on record the soldier-like and orderly behaviour which has characterised its ranks; conduct so orderly and so soldier-like as that of the 81st Regiment ensures its own reward, and the Brigadier-general has only to point out to them the good health they have enjoyed, the small morality, infrequency of courts-martial, and punishment, as the result of their good conduct. The Brigadier-general will always remember with infinite satisfaction his connection, short though it has been, with this distinguished regiment, and he begs Major Gildea, his officers, and men, will rest assured that they carry with them his best wishes for their future prosperity and welfare, and a safe and happy return to their native land."

REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.—The Governor-General in Council has been pleased to sanction to the Registrar-General in Bengal under Act XVI. of 1864 a progressive salary, commencing at Rs. 1,200, and rising by annual increases of Rs. 50 to Rs. 1,500 per mensem, and as an experimental measure, subject to report at the end of one year, to fix Rs. 300 per mensem as the limit to the cost of that officer's establishment. To the district registrar of Calcutta, a salary of Rs. 600 per mensem for the conjoint duties of that post and the office of registrar of joint stock companies under Act XIX. of 1857 has been granted. The deputy registrars of subdivisions are not to receive any special allowance until the number of deeds brought for registry is sufficient to justify such an allowance. For the deputy registrars at Sudder stations, an allowance of Rs. 75 a month has been authorised; until the total fees in Bengal under the Act for the registration of assurances (XVI. of 1864)—compared with the total charges—warrant the payment of Rs. 100 monthly, when that sum will be allowed. Mr. Heeley, who, as our readers are already aware, is the present Registrar-General, has already received an advance of Rs. 10,000, for the purchase of iron safes for the custody of documents sent to him for registry and deposit.

A HORNED TIGER.—The curator of the Central Museum at Nagpore has been subjected to a merciless hoax. Some one sent him a tiger's skin, which was described as having a genuine horn on the forehead, and report went far and abroad that his collection of curiosities contained a perfect marvel in Nature. Among others who went to see was the editor of the *Central India Times*, and he demolishes the beautiful fable to pieces. He says that the horn is that of a goat or an antelope, reduced somewhat, and rendered considerably more tapering than it had been originally, and then ingeniously inserted in an opening made for its reception in the skin. Indubitably the curator's vision was none of the clearest, when he admitted this tiger with the spurious horn into his catalogue of curiosities, and unless he is desirous of becoming the standing jest of the station, to which this imposition on his credulity affords a fund of merriment, he will summarily evict the tiger's skin, horn and all, from the Central Museum.

AGENT FOR GOVERNMENT CONSIGNMENTS.—The salary of the Agent for the Government consignments has been reduced by the Government of India in the Financial Department from Rs. 250 to 200 per mensem. As the same officer is also third assistant to the Master Attendant, he, nevertheless, will receive a consolidated allowance of Rs. 500 per month.

BENGAL CIVIL AND ANNUITY FUNDS.—The Government of India has requested the Managers of the Bengal Civil and Annuity Funds to direct their constituents to note on their pay bills the deductions from their salaries on account of their subscriptions to those funds. His Excellency the Governor-General in Council considers it inexpedient to throw upon Treasury Officers the responsibility of initiating and making the proper deductions from pay bills; the duty should legitimately be performed by the subscribers themselves, just as Uncovenanted Servants are obliged to do in regard to their subscriptions to the Uncovenanted Service Family Pension Fund. His Excellency further remarks, that to enable a subscriber to know the amount he should deduct, when any change occurs in his family, the Secretary should be directed to inform the subscriber how his subscriptions are affected by the change; that is, how much they are to be increased or decreased. Moreover, when a subscriber is transferred from one district to another, he should take with him to the new Station a last pay certificate, which should show the whole of the deductions in all their details.

MYNPOORIE AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.—We learn from the *Delhi Gazette* that the Mynpoorie Agricultural Show, which took place on the 19th, 20th, and 21st January, has been a success. On the last date the Commissioner, Mr. Batten, arrived from Agra, and was in time to distribute the several prizes, and to thank the native gentlemen on the committee for their labours and for the assistance they had afforded to the local authorities. As there was a large mob assembled merely for the *tamasha*, who took no interest in mares, oxen, sheep, and cereals of all descriptions, some amusements were got up for them in the shape of elephant, camel, horse, pony, and coolie races. In the evening the Rajah of Mynpoorie had a display of fireworks, after which the great gathering dispersed.

SMALL POX STATIONS IN CALCUTTA.—There are thirteen stations in all, and we believe these will be increased if there be any necessity. Of the thirteen nine are gratis, and are intended for the use of the natives and the poorer classes of Eurasians. At the other four, namely, at Messrs. Scott, Thomson, Bathgate, and the late Messrs. Smith and Stanistreet's medical depots, and at the Presidency Medical Hall in Cornwallis-street, a fee of one rupee will be charged. Great efforts have been made by Dr. Charles to organise the vaccine department, and to make it meet an emergency which threatened to grow into a panic. He has himself vaccinated the pupils of the large schools, and hundreds of others, and he has, by unremitting labour of the most wearisome and thankless kind, got together a staff of operators, whose efforts, if well met, would soon place the danger of an epidemic out of the question.

CHANGES EFFECTED BY RAILWAY.—It has been determined by Government that, on the opening of the line of railway to Nagpore, the garrisons of Nagpore and Kamptee shall draw all their supplies of ordnance, and other stores, from Bombay instead of from Madras. This will effect a considerable saving in the cost of conveyance, and also prevent the accumulation of superfluous munitions of war in the local magazines, since under the contemplated arrangement only what the exigencies of the service absolutely require will from time to time be indented for. That in military matters Nagpore will eventually be administered from the capital of Western India is certain, and the change adverted to is only preparatory to that desirable consummation.

WEDDING GIFTS.—In addition to the wedding gifts of the Punjabees, Sir Robert Montgomery was asked by Maharajah Rumbheer Sing of Jummoo to take charge of some right royal presents for their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales.

POWER OF THE BAGPIPE.—A news-writer, gifted with a more than average strength of imagination, relates an instance of the effects of bagpiping in Allahabad, which is amusing if not instructive. He says that some Highlanders belonging to the 71st were playing the bagpipes, when to their astonishment a number of snakes came out of their subterraneous abodes and listened attentively to the sweet music the bagpipes discoursed. One mendacious Sandy went so far as to declare that they danced an unexceptionable reel in true Highland style. However, the laddies fell to hunting the poor snakes—which was a great shame, and slew them—which was a still greater shame.—*Hurkaru.*

DEATHS ON THE CASHMERE FRONTIERS.—Some time since Lieutenant Birch was deputed to examine into the cause of several deaths on the Cashmere Frontiers, the circumstances connected with them seeming to call for inquiry. We now hear that after a full investigation the mysterious part of the business has been exploded, and the officers of the Rajah of Jummo cleared of all blame. It is somewhat singular to remark how all the late investigations into matters concerning native chiefs or their officers seem to have come to nothing. It is very illustrative of the elements of native society.

DELHI GARRISON.—According to the *Hurkaru*, there is a revival of the rumour that Delhi is to be abandoned as a station for European troops, with the addition that Sir Hugh Rose encourages the idea. Considering the sufferings of the regiments quartered there for the past six months, and the annually recurring maladies to which they are subject, nothing could be more desirable from a personal point of view. To leave Delhi, however, garrisoned by a purely native force, would be the maddest folly of the day, which it is utterly impossible to conceive could be allowed by men who have lived through the mutiny.

DIFFUSION OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE.—The wise rule promulgated by the Viceroy, requiring all correspondence with native princes to be in English, is bearing fruits in a manner somewhat unexpected. The Maharajah of Rewah has come to the conclusion that a knowledge of English is to be highly desired, and has, with a view to its being properly acquired by his chiefs and sirdars, established an English school at his capital. In connection with this laudable work he has also determined upon founding a scholarship at the College at Benares.

RAILWAY THROUGH RAJPOOTANA.—The scheme for constructing a line of railway through Rajpootana seems to have met with unexpected favour at the hands of the native chiefs of that district. The Rajahs of Ruthan, Sittana, Seeta Mhow, and the Nawab of Jowra have come forward with offers of land for the proposed railway from Baroda to Indore, which we presume will now be pushed on fast. Indore must always be a point of very great importance, and a railway from Baroda will open up the valley of the Nerbudda, besides acting as a work of considerable political and strategic importance.

CALCUTTA IMPROVEMENTS.—Lieut. Dundas, of the Royal Engineers, has been selected by the Government of Bengal to improve the condition of the Strand Bank of that hitherto neglected town. The gallant officer has been directed to hold his office in Writers' Buildings, and to perform his duties in subordination to Mr. V. H. Schaleh, the Chairman of the Justices and Commissioner of Police. A small staff of clerks has also been allowed to Lieut. Dundas, for the purpose of correspondence and other minor details.

COLONEL BRUCE, who has been appointed Inspector-General of Police, Lower Provinces, has been allowed by the Government of India a personal allowance of Rs. 200 per mensem, in addition to his salary of Rs. 2,500.

LOSS OF THE "CITY OF BENARES" BY FIRE.—On the afternoon of the 28th January the *City of Benares*, Captain Black, belonging to Messrs. S. Smith and Company, of Glasgow, loading with jute for London, was perceived to be on fire. Mr. Baring, assistant harbour-master, was soon on board, and the Howrah ferry boat promptly took the unfortunate vessel in tow. She was towed on shore opposite Messrs. Rawlinson's yard, at Ramkistopore, and just above where the *Cama Family* is lying high and dry. Notwithstanding that every effort was made to extinguish the fire, at daylight on the following morning she was found burnt to the water's edge.

SMALL-POX IN NEPAUL.—We regret to learn from Nepaul that small-pox has made its appearance there among the refugees from British territories. It is stated that one of the widows of the late Bajee Rao has fallen a victim to the disease. The Nepalese Durbar seem fully alive to the character of the visitation, and have resolved upon taking whatever measures will tend to check it. With this view two native doctors have been sent to the Residency, with a request that they may be taught to vaccinate.

INCREASE OF WHARFAGE DUTIES—CALCUTTA.—It will probably interest our mercantile readers to learn that on the representation of his Honour the Lieutenant Governor, the Governor-general has sanctioned an increase of the wharf establishment, by the employment of supernumeraries. This will raise the total expenditure on this account to about Rs. 6,000 per mensem, to meet which it is proposed to slightly increase the present rate of wharfage duties.

GRANTS IN AID.—We are given to understand that the Director of Public Instruction has asked for the sum of Rs. 3,75,000 for grants-in-aid to schools for the ensuing year, 1865-66. The amount for the current year is Rs. 2,50,000. The increase, as explained, is owing to the greater extension of the grant-in-aid system. It is proposed to extend it as much as possible throughout the Lower Provinces. In Calcutta the Boys' School, Free School, and Benevolent Institution have been or will be brought under its rules, as far as their circumstances will allow. The Director has further asked for a lac of rupees for elementary vernacular education in the Mofussil.

THE WEATHER AND THE CROPS.—The heavy showers of rain which have fallen during the last fortnight in January from Lahore to Calcutta have somewhat abated the heat, which has prevented Northern India from enjoying its usual cold season. But we fear the rain has fallen too late to save the crops, which, even in such districts as those of Goruckpore and Benares, have failed to a greater extent than since the last famine. Even in Bengal the rice harvest will be short. On the whole, the crops all over the country are likely to yield less than the average, and prices will doubtless be high.

N.W.P. HIGH COURT.—The *Delhi Gazette* has good authority for stating that the Honourable Justice Norman will be the First Judge of the new High Court for these provinces; and that Baboo Jugadanund Mookerjee, junior Government pleader in the Calcutta Court, will be the first native judge. The nomination of Justice Norman will be accepted with pleasure. The native judge is said to be a clever lawyer. He was for a length of time presiding over a Mofussil Court, and has for some years held his present position with much credit.

MAJOR W. H. STUBBS.—His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief has appointed Captain and Brevet Major W. H. Stubbs, of the Staff Corps, and heretofore Garrison Quartermaster in Fort William, to be second in command of the 4th Regiment N.I., at Jhansi. The 4th N.I. is the old 33rd N.I., in which Major Stubbs rose.

MR. CHARLES U. AITCHISON, Under-Secretary in the Foreign Department, has resigned that appointment for a Deputy Commissionership in the Punjab. Mr. Aitchison had not been three years in that province when his great abilities, manifested especially as Assistant to the Judicial Commissioner, led to his selection, unasked, by Lord Canning's Government, as the successor of Mr. Simson in the Foreign Office. For the last five and a half years, under Mr. Beadon, during the short tenure of office by Messrs. Barnes, A. Young and Bayley, and under Colonel Durand, Mr. Aitchison has been identified with Lord Canning's successful foreign policy. For a considerable time he acted as Foreign Secretary, and discharged the duties of the most responsible office in India so well that, in a formal minute, Lord Canning declared his standing in the service alone disqualified him from permanently filling the appointment. His "Collection of Treaties," about to be completed by the publication of the seventh volume, has given the public as high an idea of his ability as Government had been led to form. The slightest self-assertion might have made Mr. Aitchison Secretary to the Punjab Government, but a few years' experience of district duties will, doubtless, be more beneficial to his future career. Seldom has a young civilian given such promise of a brilliant future as the retiring under-secretary. Mr. Aitchison is heartily acknowledged as *facile princeps* by his contemporaries, and is a striking illustration of the advantages of the competitive system as it was in the first few years of its existence, when cramming was unknown, because it was impossible.—*Friend of India.*

THE PORT CANNING SHARES were allotted on Monday, January 30th, and the market opened at 4,000 Rupees Premium, and have been as high as 9,000 Rupees, receding to 5,000 and again touching 7,000 premium. The excitement regarding the shares of this company during the week has been considerable, whilst the anxiety on the subject of the allotment was extraordinary. In fact, the scene at Messrs. Borradaile, Schiller, and Co.'s office on last Monday afternoon was something new to the calm immobile citizens of Calcutta. At two o'clock in the afternoon there was an assemblage of bankers, merchants, civilians, and military-men, and we dare say the enunciation might have been wound-up, as the boys reckon their prospects on their buttons. The allotment of the Mutlah shares was in progress, and happy was he who found that it was all right. An excellent method was adopted for the sake of order, the entry to the office was made by one door, and the exit by another, so that order was well-maintained, and the countenance of the disappointed was not exposed to the scrutiny of the pressing crowd. The police were in attendance, and all went off without accident or confusion.—*Englishman.*

MR. LILLIE, Judge of Burdwan, intends taking his furlough immediately, and will be succeeded by Mr. Bright. The offices of collector and magistrate of the Twenty-four Pergunnahs are to be united, as in every other district in the country, and a medical officer has been placed in charge of the Alipore Jail, relieving the magistrate now burdened with the duties of the collectorate. Mr. Lance, at present magistrate and collector of Monghyr, is appointed additional Judge of Backergunge.

UNCOVENANTED SERVICE ABSENTEE PAY.—The Governor-General in Council has resolved that, as an Uncovenanted Officer, who obtains leave on private affairs under Section 14 of the Leave Rules of the 13th April, 1864, is allowed to draw his absentee pay, monthly, during such absence, the mere circumstance of his resigning his appointment without return to duty would not render him liable to a refund of that absentee pay.

THE PUNJAB COMMISSION.—There are evidently great changes approaching in the Punjab Commission. Sir Herbert Edwards resigns the service; Colonel G. W. Hamilton will go out under the terms of the Thirty-five years Order; Colonel Lake is appointed Financial Commissioner; Mr. Cust is in Council, but will resign soon; Major James is dead, and Messrs. Melvill and Forsyth have gone to England on furlough. The vacancies created by the death of Major James and the promotion of Colonel Lake have been filled up by Mr. Ford and Mr. F. H. Cooper. The three senior Deputy Commissioners who ought, by right, to be appointed to the other vacancies, are Messrs. Egerton and Farington and Colonel Voyle; but rumour says that the former does not want to leave Kangra, and that the second and third are likely to be passed over. The two Uncovenanted are General Van Cortland and Mr. Oliver, but as the former is already drawing Rs. 2,500 a month, he is not likely to wish for so much extra responsibility, accompanied only by an extra Rs. 250. Mr. Oliver, it is said, has been so very lucky hitherto in promotion, that he may be now passed over, but though this may be a very convenient theory to go upon, it is certainly not a just one. Mr. Prinsep, the next in rank, is Settlement Commissioner, and Mr. Cooper, the next again, has been already promoted. The other names are Nasmyth, Bush, Pollock, Cracroft, McNeile, Brandreth, Graham and Cripps. The betting at Lahore, to use a sporting phrase, is in favour of Pollock and Cracroft, and Nasmyth and MacNeile. The death of Major Adams will make a vacancy among the Deputy Commissioners, and an officiating Deputy will be wanted at Simla to succeed Colonel Lawrence, transferred to Nepal.—*Englishman*.

OFFICIAL CHANGES.—The Government of India is about to lose the services of Mr. Cust. Even the warmest admirers of Colonel Lake would have liked to see Mr. Cust once more in the Punjab Financial Commissioner's office, which he did so much to reorganise. But the necessity for visiting England has led him to forego the almost certainty of an appointment to higher offices in Calcutta than any the Punjab could offer. Should Mr. Temple not be allured to Calcutta by the Foreign Office, it is his intention to seek three months' rest in England during the hot season. Mr. George Campbell will take his place. We believe that ill-health will shortly lead Colonel Elliot to resign his position as Governor General's Agent in Rajpootana. It will probably be as difficult to find a successor for him as for Colonel Durand in the Foreign Office. We do not remember, during the past twelve years, that so many high appointments have been vacant at a time when it was so difficult to name men worthy of filling them.—*Friend of India*.

DEATH OF MR. STEVENS.—A gloom has just been cast over Lahore society, more especially that portion of it connected with the Punjab Railway Company, by the receipt of a telegram announcing the death, at Kurriachee, on Saturday, the 28th January, of Mr. Richard White Stevens, the respected Agent of the Punjab and Delhi Railways, who had reached that port on his way to England, on medical leave of absence, but was destined to proceed no further on his way. Mr. Stevens had an attack of paralysis last September, at Murree, depriving him of the use of his left side, and from which attack he never recovered; his medical advisers considering the only chance of his ultimate restoration to health being his quitting India before the approaching hot weather.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.—The Government of India in the Financial Department has sanctioned an establishment of Rs. 1,512 per month to carry out the scheme of Audit and Account for the Marine Department, recommended by Messrs. Foster and Whiffin.

LIEUTENANT RAIKES, who was killed the other day by a fall from his horse, was a young officer of considerable promise. He had just been transferred to the Staff Corps, having exchanged from the 93rd Highlanders to the 107th Regiment for that purpose. He served for some time on the personal staff of Sir Robert Montgomery, and was afterwards appointed Assistant Commissioner of Goojranwallah, which office he was holding at the time of his death.

BANKING IN OUDE.—At a recent meeting of the shareholders of the Oudh and United Service Bank, the following results were exhibited:—The gross profits realised during the past half-year amounted to Rs. 4,638, expenses of management to Rs. 1,315, and interest on fixed deposits to Rs. 515, which left a surplus of Rs. 2,807. On this a dividend was declared of Rs. 6 per cent., or Rs. 0-14-4 per share; Rs. 1,200 was carried to the credit of the reserve fund.

THE CINCHONA PLANTATION at Darjeeling is flourishing. A greater number of plants have been propagated, inasmuch that it has become necessary to spread the garden over a larger extent of ground. The superintendent is now under the necessity of laying down roads to connect the different parts of the plantation, and an assistant gardener has been appointed.

BABOO HEMMUT BAHADOOR.—The Government of Bengal has sanctioned the payment of Rs. 800 for the purchase of a gold watch and chain to be presented to Baboo Hemmut Bahadoor of Patna, as compensation for the loss of an elephant lent by him to Government during the mutiny in 1857.

COMPLIMENT TO SIR R. MONTGOMERY.—The residents of Goojaira have requested the Supreme Government to name the new station there Montgomery, in honour of Sir Robert, and in gratitude for the many benefits which have accrued to them from his administration.

GRAND JURY AGITATION.—A meeting has been held at Umballa, to petition against the Grand Jury Abolition Bill, and an attempt is to be made to organize a movement throughout the North-Western Provinces in connection with the landholders and Commercial Association of Calcutta.

PROHIBITION OF FLOGGING IN CACHAR.—Some time since a Mr. Gardner, of Cachar, was mixed up in a case of culpable homicide. The case attracted the attention of the Government, and we now learn that orders have been issued prohibiting the flogging of coolies by the planters.

MAJOR E. C. IMPEY, Military Secretary and Aide-de-camp to the Viceroy, succeeds Lieut.-Colonel R. C. Lawrence, C.B., as Deputy Commissioner and Superintendent of Hill States, Simla; and Lieutenant-Colonel S. Blane, H.M.'s 52nd L.I., who has been so popular as Military Secretary to previous Viceroys, succeeds Major Impey.

CENTRAL DISTILLERY SYSTEM.—The decrease in the excise revenue during the current year, owing to the recent extension in the Lower Provinces of the Central Distillery system, has been estimated by the Board of Revenue to be about a lac and a half.

BREVET MAJOR A. S. ALLEN, of the Staff Corps, and of the late 34th N. I., has been appointed a wing officer of the 5th Regiment N. I. at Dacca, in succession to Captain Stone, deceased.

COLONEL JAMES, Private Secretary to the Lieutenant-governor of Bengal, proceeds to England immediately, and will be succeeded by Major Raban, Deputy Inspector-general of Police.

CAPTAIN HOME, of the Bengal Staff Corps, Assistant Commissioner of Hissar, has resigned his appointment. The captain dislikes a civil life, and has therefore returned to a military one.

THE ARMSTRONG BATTERIES are to be located at Nawabgunge in Oudh, where additional land, under recent orders, will be at once taken up for their accommodation.

THE 31ST PUNJAB N.I., under the command of Lieutenant-colonel Richards, were to leave Barrackpore on Feb. 5 for Cawnpore, in progress of the annual relief.

BARRACKPORE SCHOOL.—The Lieutenant-Governor has sanctioned Rs. 13,469 for the erection of a new house for the Barrackpore School.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 22. Marguerite, Bertin, Melbourne; str. Rangoon, Lewis, Moulmein; str. Erymanthe, Jehenne, Galle.—23. Elizabeth Nicholson, Crosbie, Liverpool; Victoria Nyanza, Reid, Mauritius; Altair, Everest, Liverpool; Alfred, Chantepont, Bourbon; Volta, Allencas, Bourbon; Su-tana, Williams, Moreton Bay.—24. Ganges, Nourse, Demerara.—25. Shah Jehan, Kato, Bombay; Camilla, Martin, Melbourne.—26. St. Alban's Head, Kbl. Mauritius.—27. Anonyma, Cuthbertson, Liverpool; Fazarabany, Lowther, Bombay; Hammersmith, Nairn, Mauritius.—29. Jodel Curcure, Nacoda, Jeddah; Zed ake, Bourbon; Hypatia, Thompson, Liverpool; Lord Macaulay, Shanghai; Apelles, McLurg, Liverpool; Arastan, Daws n, Calbeck, Garside, Liverpool; City of York, Boyd, Glasgow.—30. str. Arratoon Apar, De Snidt, Hong Kong; Wanhojegg, Kennedy, Barbados.—Feb. 1. str. Bhima, Boudellow, Hull; Fusilier, Carosso, Moreton Bay; Express, Lavage, London; Rajasthan, Wilson, Mauritius; Jules Ceard, Laville, Nantes; str. Orissa, Maitreton, Akyab; Ayrshire, Kennersby, Singapore.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Messageries str. Erymanthe.—Mr. Bell, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Murray, Mr. Colwe, Mr. Booker, Mr. and Mrs. Cargill, Mr. Smith, Mr. Hudson, Mrs. Devsler, Mr. Lecoutre, Mrs. Schiverner, Messrs. Brachy, Neumann, Silgenreiter, Frankberger, Van der Stuy, Ceravan, Brissack, Henry, Smith, Metzler, Seidler, Goldstein, Grimback, Seriani, Amber, Pet r, Eliza and Peter Semion, Leon, Miller, Wroter, and Andra.
Per Marguerite.—Mr. Bertans, Mr. Darouir.
Per Rangoon.—Mrs. Newman, Miss Cockran, Capt. C. D. Newmarch, R. T. G. H. Pollock, W. H. Lyons, Esq.
Per Canila.—Mrs. Martin, Matthew Stokes.
Per Shah Jehan.—Capt. A. Huret.
Per Fazarabany.—Mrs. Lowther.
Per Wanhojegg.—Mrs. Kennedy.
Per Arratoon Apar.—Mr. Anthony, Mr. Myer and three sons, Mr. Juddah.
Per Ayrshire.—Mr. R. Leigh and two sons, Mrs. H. Kennersby and four children.
Per Orissa.—Maj. Sennert, Col. Money, C. B. Ridges, Esq., Mr. B. Determes, M. Doupian, Esq.
Per Rhima.—Thomas Annan, engineer.
Per str. Nemesis.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. and Mrs. Folkard, Mr. and Mrs. Wickes, Mr. and Mrs. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Deny, Mrs. Cooke, Mrs. Cosserat, Miss Smith, Miss Clark, Maj. Welman, Lieut. J. C. Little, Ens. Buxton, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Cargill, Mr. Fairweather, Mr. Jones, Mr. G. B. Groves, Mr. F. Prior, Mr. Jones, Mr. Gellay, Mr. Waghorn, Mr. Parkeson, Mr. R. Dunning, Mr. T. Wilson, Mr. A. Wilson, Jane Vince, Samuel Mathers, R. Langlands, J. McLeod, R. Shirreffs, H. D. Dinning, Caroline Broze and two children.
From MARSEILLES.—Miss Stephens, Mr. R. MacLeod, Mr. T. Martin, Mr. Geneste, Mr. Lere-che, Capt. Dickson, Lieut. col. Taylor.
From MALTA.—Lord and Lady H. Ulick Browne.
From SEZ.—Mr. W. M. Tidy, Miss Routh and sister, Mr. W. Mouslick and wife, Mr. Tricke.
From MADRAS.—Capt. and Mrs. Danberry, Mr. E. C. Boyley, Mr. E. Hankey, Mr. Beckett, Mr. Ganett, Mr. Adsheed, Mr. C. E. Leigh, Lieut. C. J. Smith, Mr. Shirne.
From SYDNEY.—Mr. O. Leone.
From MELBOURNE.—Maj. and Mrs. Basden, Maj. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. Onmond.
From SINGAPORE.—Mr. W. Steel.
From BOMBAY.—Mr. J. W. Alistar, Mr. W. Crum.
From GALLE.—Mr. R. Cuchton, Mr. J. Cuchton, Miss Cuchton, Dr. Crane, Mr. Francis.
Per Arabstan.—Dr. Ahmerpeen.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 20. Middlesex, Cammel, London; Leonide, Martin, Mauritius; Electra, Woodgate, Shanghai; Prince Frederick William, Dunn, Bombay; Steir, Ferron, Bourbon.—21. Vicksburg, Boyd, London; Medusa, Plant, Cannanore; F. C. Clarke, Duncan, Trinidad; John Rennie, Gogga, London; Euxine, Doreux, Dundee.—22. Clan Alpine, Crockett, Straits and Hong Kong; Sardinia, Nelson, Rangoon; Helen Nicholson, Halliday, Shanghai; Houghton, Buckminster, Moulmein; Humbert, Mitchell, Bombay; L'Imperatrice Eugenie, Hochart, Bordeaux; A. H. Badger, Marshall, Melbourne.—23. Empress of India, Harrison, Bombay; Orissa, Teupleton, Chittagong and Akyab; Iron Crown, Lee, Shanghai; Pio IX., Ducasson, Havre; Alquis, Davison, London; Nemesis, Shade, False Point.—24. Camilla, Cameron, Bombay.—25. Bengal, Woodcott, Suez.—26. Royal Alice, Pope, London; Bucentaur, Babot, Colombo; French str. Erymanthe, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Erymanthe.—Mr. Sechiari, Mr. Searamanga, Mrs. Gontiers and child, Lieut.-col. Jones, Mrs. Jones, Mr. Croppa, Mr. Gropel, Mr. Squire, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Smith and children, Mrs. Dessules, Mr. Temples, Sir Herbert and Lady Edwards, Mrs. Dowson, Mrs. Dowson and child, Mr. Deane, Mr. H. A. Hurst, Mr. Tiliard, Mr. P. D. Nichol, Mr. T. Cowan, Mr. T. Frederick, Mrs. Kelly, Mr. Gabette, Mr. Winter, Mr. Caffari, Mr. F. Curbinon, Mr. Barnave, Mrs. Henty.

VESSELS SPOKEN.

White Mountain, in lat. 15-41 N., long. 89-37 E. English schooner Astrca. Dec. 18, Maria Hay, bound to Calcutta, in

lat. 9-10 N., long. 81-35 E. Jan. 2, Diamond, in lat. 14-20 N., long. 85-4 E. Dec. 5, *Chitania*, from Grimsby, bound to Rangoon, in lat. 40-58 N., long. 11-45 E. Antille, in lat. 22-40 E., long. 39-21 S. Blenheim, in lat. 87 E., long. 65-7 N. Carin, in lat. 84-32 E., long. 10-5 N. Tona, off Palma (Canaries). *Astrea*, in lat. 6-28 N., long. 89-50 E. City of Lahore, in lat. 8-2 N., long. 87-30 E. Vicksbury and Alqueste, both for London, from Calcutta. Arratoon Apenn. from Singapore, dismasted and damaged, having encountered a typhoon in the China Sea.

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

TOBACCO ON THE NEILGHERRIES.—It has been found that this plant will grow in Ootacamund to the greatest perfection. A few specimens are described as 'great bushes, with leaves of gigantic size. The wild variety is said to be seen everywhere in the neighbourhood, springing up in profusion, and suggesting what enterprise might effect for the supply of the local markets, which are thrown entirely on Manila and Burmah for their wants.

RAILWAY TO COCHIN.—Messrs. Scott, Brothers, and Co. have proposed the construction of a junction line from the Madras Railway Station at Shoranoor to Narakal and Cochin, in the territory of the Rajah of Cochin. His Highness supports the proposition, and is prepared to grant considerable concessions, in the shape of land required for the terminus, &c., on condition that the Government will give a guarantee against competition.

A TALE OF A TUB.—According to a Madras contemporary, the Government of that presidency has sanctioned the substitution of ale and porter casks in lieu of bathing tubs, in the proportion of two of the former (cut in two) to one of the latter. The inspector-general of ordnance and magazines has accordingly notified to officers concerned, that when bathing tubs require replacement, the course above-mentioned may be adopted, and officers commanding divisions are requested to report at the end of twelve months from date hereof, for information of Government, as to the suitability or otherwise of the porter or ale casks for ablutionary purposes.

CINCHONA ON THE NEILGHERRIES.—From an official report of the Superintendent of the Government Cinchona Plantations on the Hills, it appears that the number of plants permanently planted out during the month of December remain the same as in the previous month, namely 1,65,351. The increase by propagation is 24,006, being 3,024 plants above the average of the last six months, making the total number of plants at the end of the month, 499,452. The average growth of eleven plants of Cinchona succirubra planted out by his Excellency the Governor and other gentlemen at Neldivut-tum on the 30th August, 1862, during the month is $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch, being 2 inches under the growth of last month. One of the two plants cut down on the 20th of March, 1863, for bark submitted to Mr. Howard for analysis has made strong shoots of 53 inches in height, giving the growth of 1 inch during the month. The twelve plants of Cinchona Officialis (a shrubby species) on the Doda-betta plantation, gives average growth of 2 5-6th inches, or 1-6th of an inch below the growth of last month. The number of plants issued to the public is 200, making the total number of plants distributed 52,357.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MR. LEEKE is confirmed in his appointment of second Magistrate of Police.

DR. A. M. HOJEL is appointed Professor of Anatomy and Physiology and Curator of the Museum of the Grant Medical College.

THE WAGHURS.—It is stated by a vernacular contemporary that the Waghurs have plundered two villages somewhere near Katty-war.

DIABOLICAL ATTEMPT TO UPSET A RAILWAY TRAIN.—One of the most nefarious and carefully planned acts of villany which it has of late been our duty to record occurred on Saturday night, February 11th, in an attempt to upset a passenger train on the Great Indian Peninsular Railway. The train was the up passenger train, leaving Sheegaum at an early hour on Saturday morning for Bombay. It was due at Niphar, on the north-eastern extension of the railway, about eight o'clock on Saturday evening, and departed from Niphar in regular course for Bombay. When about three and a half miles on its way, however, it rushed upon a "loaded" rail, which had been laid across the line, with the evident purpose of upsetting it or throwing it off the rails. A "loaded" rail consists in one rail being laid across the line, and another rail being laid across each end of that rail to hold it down. The result was that the engine was thrown from the line, and it dashed over the embankment and through the fence wall, dragging the tender with it, which was overturned. The break-van was smashed to pieces, and six of the carriages rushed to one side of the rails, and two to the other. As we have said, no one was injured, although every one, more or less, experienced the concussion, and all were in a state of great alarm, the darkness not being calculated to diminish their terrors. It is supposed that the break-van, on which the shock of the accident and burden of the damage fell, was the means of preventing any loss of life or injury to person, and this cannot but be regarded as a very providential circumstance, seeing that the train was bearing along with it several hundred passengers. When the passengers succeeded in leaving the carriages the cause of the accident was at once ascertained; but they discovered another circumstance which added to their alarm and indignation. In the event of the loaded rail failing to throw the train from the line, they found that the most effectual means had been taken, at a little distance beyond, to ensure that result. There were no fewer than three other obstructions, consisting of iron fence posts grouped and pinned into lots, as it were, from 200 to 300 yards apart, so that it would have been utterly impossible for the train to make its way over all these impediments, even supposing the loaded rail had been jolted or moved from its position by the rapid motion of the train. It was at once apparent that all this had been the work of a considerable number of hands, and of hands which had been promptly and concertedly at work. About an hour before the train reached Niphar it was crossed by a down train going in the opposite direction, and the line must have been then clear to have allowed that train to pass. The obstructions must have been laid therefore during that hour; but as the rails and iron posts are very heavy, requiring about eight or ten men to lift them, there must have been a numerous gang of conspirators at work to lay them in position. No trace of them has yet been discovered. — *Bombay Gazette*.

NATIVE PORTRAIT GALLERY.—The arrangement regarding the projected Portrait Gallery of distinguished natives of India progresses, we understand, most satisfactorily. Subscribers are hoped for from every part of England, and Mr. Sorabjee Jehangier Paruck has it in contemplation to visit England to secure the services of first-class artists, so that the work may be worthy of the patronage bestowed on it.

ROYAL BANK OF INDIA.—A native contemporary states that the Directors of the Royal Bank of India have accepted the resignation by Mr. J. Gordon of the office of Manager of the Bank.

THE REV. R. F. COLVIN, late Senior Chaplain, Church of Scotland, in Bombay, retired from the service, from the 21st November last.

AMALGAMATION OF SINDE WITH THE PUNJAB.—The *Sindian* has been long advocating this idea, and now puts it forth in the only light it fancies its advantages will be recognised by the members of the present Government—which is, that it will effect a large saving of expenditure. It says:—In the first place the Commissioner's salary amounts to Rs. 4,416-10-8, and this large sum he receives to administer the affairs of a tract of country containing about 60,000 square miles, with between 19 and 20,00,000 inhabitants, whilst the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, receiving Rs. 8,744-5-4, or barely double our Commissioner's, rules over a territory of about 130,000 square miles, and a population of probably not less than 16,000,000 souls. The revenue he has to administer amounts to Rs. 340,26,619, whilst that of Sind is only Rs. 60,52,891. The establishment about the Commissioner's person to assist in managing the affairs of the province, receive salaries to the amount of Rs. 3,550 per mensem, making a total sum of Rs. 7,716-10-8 paid monthly for what we may call the general government of Sind. If to this amount we add the salaries of the Collectors, their Deputies, &c., say Rs. 17,627, we shall have a total expenditure under the head of administration alone of Rs. 25,343. And to this result we arrive without taking into consideration any retrenchment that might be made in the Frontier, Customs, Police, Revenue Survey, Settlement, Forest, and Public Works Departments. Now, if we take the Trans-Indus provinces of the Punjab, which are more populous than Sind, we find that the total cost of government there amounts to less than Rs. 20,000 per mensem. We have made no mention of the cost of our judiciary, which amounts to nearly Rs. 6,000, whilst that of the Trans-Indus districts reaches Rs. 1,000 only for the maintenance of a judge of the Small Cause Court at Peshawar. We would point out also that a separate Chief Engineer on nearly Rs. 2,000 would be no longer required in Sind, nor a Deputy-Consulting Engineer for Railways, on Rs. 865.

OFFICIAL CHANGES.—There are likely to be, relatively, as many official changes in Bombay his hot season as in Calcutta. Sir Bartle Frere's advisers, Messrs. Frere and Inverarity, will leave India, to be succeeded, we believe, by Mr. C. Erskine and Mr. Anderson, should Mr. Mansfield prefer to remain as Commissioner of Sind. In the event of Mr. Anderson entering the executive council, Bombay will be represented in the Imperial Legislature by one who has the reputation of being the ablest member of his service, Mr. Ellis, at present revenue commissioner of the Northern Division. Mr. Ellis is a Jew, and if he takes his seat in the Viceroy's Council we shall have a motley collection of the representatives of creeds and Christian sects (Hindoos, Mahomedans, Jews, Episcopalians, and Presbyterians) discussing such topics as the meaning of the words of our Lord and his Apostle, and the grounds of Parsee and Christian divorce and marriage.

GUZERAT FINANCIAL ASSOCIATION.—The joint-stock mania is not confined to the city of Bombay, though most of the capital made from cotton centres there. The leading English and native residents of Ahmedabad have established the Guzerat Financial Association to supersede existing banks, and ultimately, as one Parsee speaker said at the inaugural meeting, to rival Bombay. The chief promoters of the association are two Shets, or private bankers—Nurotundass and Jummadass. In Bombay the Shets and Parsees beat the English capitalists; in Northern and Eastern India the branches of the Bank of Bengal have beaten the native bankers.

MR. JAMES SEWELL WHITE, Legal Remembrancer, has been nominated to be an additional member of the Bombay Legislative Council, in the room of Mr. A. D. Robertson resigned.

MEDICAL STATISTICS.—At a recent meeting of the Medical and Physical Society of Bombay, Dr. Coles submitted some statistics he had compiled from the year 1829 to the present time, relative to the medical charge of troop ships from England to Bombay. From these we glean a few facts of interest to the general public. The total number of persons brought to Bombay in 226 ships was 55,360, or about 245 on board of each ship. The total consisted of 1,010 officers, 40,688 soldiers, 2,573 women, and 2,216 children. The number of cases of sickness recorded on the voyages was 19,885. Of these 18,109 recovered, 255 died, and 721 were transferred sick on shore. Of the number of persons who died, there was one officer, 144 soldiers, 17 women, and 93 children; besides 18 instances of accidental death from drowning. There were 104 ships in which no casualty of any description whatever occurred on the voyages. The highest number of deaths which happened on board of any vessel was 17, and that arose from cholera in the summer of 1854, before the vessel finally left the shores of England. In one ship 8 casualties occurred. There were two ships which lost 7 men each, eight ships with four deaths each, and nineteen ships with three casualties each. The fatal diseases amongst the men were in the following order of numbers:—Phthisis 30, fever 20, cholera 14, bronchitis 9, secondary syphilis 9, pneumonia 8, apoplexy 5, pleuritis 5, hepatitis 4. The remaining number of fatal cases were from all other diseases, making up a total of 145. Amongst the women the fatal cases arose from fever 4, phthisis 3, debility 2, cholera 2, other diseases 8, total 17. Amongst the children 15 casualties happened from mesenteric disease, 14 from marasmus, 13 from convulsions, 10 from fever, 6 from diarrhoea; whilst dentition, measles, and other diseases made up the total to 93 casualties. Dr. Coles stated that in the earlier years ships usually left England at the beginning of the year, so as to reach Bombay in the hot weather, the probable reason being that the ship was destined for China, and hence her departure from England was regulated more with a view to the requirements of the China trade than to the health and comfort of the troops embarked; but of late years the vessels have for the most part reached Bombay at the beginning of the cold season.

EVIL PROPHECIES IN CANARA.—The *Belgam Samachar*, a native paper, translates some letters which are circulating absurd predictions throughout Canara. They say that from the 21st of April next one Virvasant Roy will be lord paramount of the "ocean-bounded earth." There will be a sort of millennial bliss till October, when a great deluge will destroy all but a handful of human beings, over whom Virvasant Roy will reign happily for a century. "Then it will be possible for a hundred persons to live on a rupee. Men will be religious and charitable, women will be free from widowhood, there will be no danger from thieves and serpents, and human life will be prolonged to a hundred years." Caste, however, is to continue. All who purchase a copy of these letters are to be saved. This nonsense seems to have no political meaning.

THE BOMBAY HOUSE OF CORRECTION.—During the past year there has been a large profit derived from the labour of the prisoners in this institution, out of which no less a sum than Rs. 10,000 has been placed to the credit of Government. The whole net profits from this source since the opening of the prison in 1827 only amounted to Rs. 6,000 up to the end of 1863; the greatest amount in any one year being Rs. 3,000. There has also been a saving of Rs. 12,000—just a thousand a month—in the provision department of the establishment, and this in spite of the fact that during the past year provisions were dearer than at any period during its existence.

SUPERANNUATION PENSION.—The following case of superannuation pension, which has lately been decided by the supreme government, may be found interesting to uncovenanted officers. A Principal Sudder Ameen at Poonah, in the Presidency of Bombay served Government for about 38 years. He was promoted to the first grade, and was in receipt of rupees 600 a month within the last two years only. The Bombay Government, however, compelled him to retire on a pension. He thereupon prayed for an extension of the period of his service for three years more, to enable him to retire on a pension amounting to one-half of his present salary, viz. 300 rupees. As he had served Government faithfully for an unusually long period, the Government of India made his case a special one, and recommended to the Secretary of State that a pension of rupees 300 per mensem, being one-half of his present salary, be allowed to him.

SPIRITUAL DESTITUTION.—The scandal caused in so many districts of Northern and Eastern India by the absence of all provision for the spiritual needs of scattered English residents, is felt also in Bombay. In a letter apologising for inability to attend a public meeting of the Gospel Propagation Society, Sir Bartle Frere writes:—"I trust that the Society will not rest till it has provided the means of regular public worship, and some system of regular periodical pastoral visiting, and of instruction for children, as well as for adults, who wish to be instructed, at every station where our countrymen are permanently stationed, and where there is as yet no regular provision for public worship or Christian schools, including, as such a scheme must, all the stations on our railways at which Europeans are habitually resident, and many large quarters of our towns and cantonments where pensioners and others reside beyond the chaplain's reach." His Excellency adds:—"Government will gladly aid in a matter of such vital importance to the temporal and spiritual welfare of some of its most valued servants." The churches at home are beginning to be thoroughly roused on this pressing question. But although Lord Canning did a little to assist in the way of schools for poor Christians, neither Government nor the railway companies hold out adequate encouragement to greater efforts. Travelling English and Presbyterian ministers are sadly wanted.

NATIVE APPRECIATION OF MEDICAL SCIENCE.—When presiding at the recent examination of the Grant Medical College in Bombay, Sir Bartle Frere said "there was no feature connected with native society in Bombay which gave him greater confidence in its solid progress in enlightenment and intelligence than the fact that medical men, trained as the best and most distinguished pupils of that institution had been, were appreciated and trusted in the native community in the same manner as the medical practitioners who enjoy the respect and confidence of the most enlightened classes of civilised Europe. This fact would no doubt in time operate as in Europe to draw recruits to the ranks of an honoured profession." In Calcutta this has for years been the case. Dr. Peet, who as Principal has done so much for medical science in Bombay, is to be succeeded as Principal, we believe, by Dr. Giraud.

MESSRS. ROGERS AND CO.—An offer of Rs. 16,50,000 has been made for the purchase of the good-will and stock in trade of Messrs. Rogers and Co., chemists, by gentlemen who are sanguine of prospective profits fully equal to those realised by the rival establishment of Messrs. Treacher and Co.

MR. D. J. KENNELLY, of the Dock Yard, has been appointed Secretary to the United Victoria and Colaba Reclamation and Pier Company, on a salary of Rs. 2,000 a month.

THE THULL GHAT INCLINE.—This portion of the great Indian Peninsula Railway was opened for passenger traffic on the 1st February.

AUDIT AND ACCOUNT DEPARTMENT.—Mr. J. L. Lushington has been appointed Deputy Auditor and Accountant-general, Bombay, vice Mr. S. G. Birch, who retires from the service. Mr. Lushington delivered charge of the office of the Accountant-general, Bengal, to Mr. H. D. Sandeman, late Civil Paymaster, more than a week ago. Mr. Lushington has been associated with the Commissioners sent out from England to examine into the Indian system of audit and account, with the view of initiating himself into the new system, which the Commissioners have been directed to introduce experimentally in Bengal. The new system, as far as it has worked, appears to have given satisfaction to the superior authorities, for it appears to have been resolved upon to extend it gradually into the other presidencies; and hence Mr. Lushington was directed to place himself under the Commissioners. Mr. Lushington is well acquainted with the present system, and his knowledge and experience will be of very great use in introducing into Bombay the changes which the Commissioners have already begun in Bengal.—*Hurkaru*, Jan. 20.

THE HON. MR. CASSELS is appointed a member of the Ramparts Removal Committee.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 28. *Cestrian*, Gann, Liverpool—29. *Benares* (s), Collet, Suez—31. *Matilda*, Stevenson, Calcutta; *Dorothea*, Gantschow, Hong Kong—Feb. 3. *Daphne*, Miles, London; *Lucknow*, Asplet, London—4. *Coromandel* (s), Carew, Aden; *Calumet*, Bingham, Calcutta; *Carnatic* (s), Angove, Hong Kong; *Wayfarer*, Partridge, Calcutta; *Kate*, Scranton, Murdock, Singapore; *Cowajee*, Jehungeer, Knight, Liverpool—6. *Sooloo*, Hutchinson, Calcutta; *Sir Hugh Rose*, Spurden, Calcutta—7. *Astrate*, Dodd, Liverpool; *Radnagore*, Cook, Liverpool; *Nowanuggur*, De Costa, Mauritius; *Kross Rose*, Bustin, Liverpool—9. *Avabhoj*, Shephard, Calcutta; *Asiana*, Shaw, Aden; *Sarah Sands*, White, Liverpool; *Myrtle*, Muir, Liverpool; *Alaric*, Theakstone, Calcutta—10. *White Jacket*, Trevellick, Calcutta—11. *Shaw Allum*, Clark, Calcutta—12. *Multa* (s), Gribble, Suez.

VESSELS SPOKEN.

British ship *Briery Hill*, from London to Bombay, Nov. 27, lat. 34 S., long. 13-30 W.; Nov. 28, Arab *Steed*, from London to Shanghai, lat. 34-38 S., long. 13 W.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per *Radnagore*.—Mrs. Campbell, Miss F. Campbell. Per P. and O. str. *Benares*.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. Eden, Mrs. Reynolds and the Misses Reynolds, Mr. Andrews, Mrs. Dangerfield, Mr. Geddes, Mr. S. Manuel, Mr. Manojee Metta, Capt. Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. Dixbury, Lieut. Answorth, Messrs. Carter, Case, Hollensworth, Patterson, Taylor, Doig, Martin, Howie, Marsh, and Fish. From GIBRALTAR.—Paymaster Banbury, R.N. From MALTA.—Dr. Barry, Col. Dunn. From MARSEILLES.—Lieut. Col. Forbes, Mr. C. Metta, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Bedford, Maj. Sandwith, Mr. F. Smith, Mr. Ashley, Mr. Igoulden, Col. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Newlands, Mr. Price, Maj. Bolton, Capt. Hawthorn, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. P. E. Beudir. From SUZ.—Lieut. Col. Hackett, Miss B. Fieldban. From ADEN.—Mr. Branie. Per P. and O. str. Malta.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. Partridge, Mr. Barker, Capt. Warden, Miss M. A. Robinson, Mrs. E. Robinson, Capt. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mr. H. Corke, Maj. and Mrs. Panton and two infants, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Mr. Lawrence, Miss Souter, Mr. M'Diarmid, Mr. and Mrs. Gale, Mr. Lloyd, Mrs. Cleveland and two children, Col. Smythe, Mrs. Benton and infant, Mr. Buller, Mr. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Davies, Messrs. Fussell, G. Campbell, Weddie, Stewart, Gilbert, Moncrieff, T. Campbell, Humphreys, Hock, Simpson, Oram, Urquhart, Street, McKay, McKenzie, Russell, Thomas, Anderson, Hyslop, and Clements. From MARSEILLES.—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Mr. Mackie, Mr. and Mrs. Whyte, Mr. O'Leary, Mr. Biddulph, Mr. Vaughan, Capt. and Mrs. Hancock, Miss West, Mrs. Cole and infant, Mr. Harvey, Mr. Langdale, Capt. Hanson, Mr. Shaik Ahmed, Mr. Pallonjee, Mr. Heinz, Mr. A. Borradaile, Mr. A. F. Borradaile, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Love, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, Mr. W. M. Wood, Mr. Quate, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Napier, Mr. Griffiths, Rev. Mr. Horsfall, Mr. Tassie.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 28. Birmingham, Caroline, Liverpool; Hippogriffe, Lafrenais, Calcutta.—29. str. *Saisette*, Reynoldson, Aden and Suez; Queen of the North, Tidmarsh, Calcutta.—31. Admiral Lyons, Thompson, Liverpool.—Feb. 1. Morning Light, Gilles, Liverpool; Bussora Merchant, Kneen, Calcutta.—2. str. *Araba*, Patterson, Calcutta; *Cospatrick*, Elmalie, London.—4. str. *Ganges*, Bernard, China, &c.; str. *Lord Clyde*, Thearle, Aden; *Calabar*, Thompson, Calcutta; *Alabama*, Hellenbrock, Moulmein.—7. *Harkaway*, Irvin, Calcutta; *Campbell*, Roy, Liverpool; *Nicholas Curvin*, Sharp, Calcutta; *Allum Glier*, Comey, Calcutta.—8. *Winlow*, Howard, Colombo; *Beau Monde*, Campbell, Liverpool.—10. *Dolbadren Castle*, Menard, Liverpool.—11. *Sumatra*, Martin, Liverpool; *Cavour*, Taxy, Liverpool; *Olympe*, Fatome, Havre.—14. *Carnatic*, —, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. *Carnatic*.—For SUZ.—Mr. Boole, Mr. and Mrs. Forbes, Mr. J. Dennis, Mr. Nolin. For MALTA.—Lady Van Straubenzee, Major Gray. For MARSEILLES.—Mr. P. S. Melvill, Mr. J. C. Campbell, Col. Wiby,

Mr. Pritchard, Mr. G. Heath, Dr. John Somerville. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Lester and infant, Major and Mrs. Grant, Major Brine, Mr. J. Gardner, Mr. Boyle, Capt. D. J. Harding, Mr. and Mrs. Wood and child, Mr. F. D. Weslett, M. J. Donovan, Mr. F. F. M. Hunter.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, Feb. 14, 1865.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks—at	
6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s. 1-16d.	
5 ditto ditto 2s. 1-16d. Cred. Bills.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 1-16d. Docts.	
On Calcutta, at sight, per 100	100½
Ditto at 30 days' ditto	99½
Ditto at 60 days' ditto	98½
On Madras, at 30 days' ditto	100½
On China, at 60 days' ditto	Rs. 223 per 100 dols.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES

Agra Bank (Rs. 500)	150 pr. cent. pm
Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000)	123, do.
Bank of India (Rs. 25)	50 pm.
Broker's Banking Co. (Rs. 20)	13 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 350)	60 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200)	120 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500)	115 do.
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200)	100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 30)	83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 250)	190 do. inc. n.sh.
Oriental Bank Corporation (Rs. 250)	185 pm.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25)	12 do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000)	146 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000)	par
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 2,700)	Rs. 6,000 p. sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667)	Rs. 14,500 p. sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co.—	
(A) share (Rs. 6,000)	3600
(B) share (Rs. 6,000)	Rs. 1,35,000 pm
Frere Press Co. (Rs. 250)	Rs. 48,500 pm.
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,200)	10 prem.
Great Indian Peninsular Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 218-3-0)	Rs. 5 prem.
Ditto New £20 Shares (Rs. 87-4-4)	par.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 300 prem.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 150 pre
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company (Rs. 1,100)	Rs. 75 prem.
Manockjee Pitty's Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 850)	Rs. 4,000
House and Land Investment Co. (Rs. 200)	Rs. 200 dis.
Bombay Shipping Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 25 pm.
Iron Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 400 dis.
Oriental Ship Owning Association (Rs. 250)	Rs. 3,000 p. sh.
Prince of Wales Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 700 prem.
Western India Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 400 prem.
Hydraulic Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 90,000 p. sh.
Coorla Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. par
Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 47,000 pm.
Colaba Land Co. (Rs. 10,000)	
Bounded Warehouse Co. (Rs. 400)	
Back Bay Reclamation Co. Rs. 5,000 paid-up	

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Four per Cent. Sica Rs. Trans. Loan	Rs. 95
" " Sica Rs. Loan 1832-33	" 98
" " Co's Rs. Loan 1835-36	" 90½
" " " 1842-43	" 102½
" " " 1854-55	" 109
Five per Cent. Co's Rs. Loan	
Five-and-a-Half per Cent.	

FREIGHTS.

To London—Cotton, £2. 10s.; Seeds, £1. 15s. to £1. 17s. 6d.
To Liverpool—Cotton, £2. 17s. 6d. to £3. 2s. 6d.; commencing ships, £2 to £2. 7s. 6d.; Seeds, £1. 7s. 6d. to £1. 12s. 6d.

SERVICES IN JAPAN.—The Queen has given her Majesty's Royal licence and permission that the undermentioned officers may accept and wear the Imperial Order of the Legion of Honour conferred upon them by the Emperor of the French as a mark of H.I.M.'s approbation of their services during the recent operations in the Straits of Simonosaki in Japan, viz.:—Royal Navy.—Sir A. L. Kuper, K.C.B., Rear-Admiral, with the temporary rank of Vice-Admiral while serving in China, the insignia of Grand Officer of the said Order; Capt. J. M. Hayes, C.B., the insignia of a Commander of the said Order; Capt. W. G. Luard, Capt. W. M. Dowell, C.B., Capt. C. T. Leckie, and Capt. J. H. J. Alexander, C.B., the insignia of Officer of the said Order. Royal Marine Light Infantry.—Lieut. col. W. G. Suther, C.B., the insignia of Officer of the same Order. Sir A. L. Kuper has also been permitted to wear the Military Order of William of the Netherlands (the Cross of a Commander of the said Order), conferred upon him by the King of the Netherlands as a mark of H.M.'s approbation of services at Simonosaki; Capt. J. M. Hayes has been permitted to wear the Cross of a Knight of the third class of the same Order.



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Homes Dept., Fort William, Jan. 17.—No. 530.—Rev. H. W. Crofton, junior chaplain on the Bengal establishment, who reported his return to India by the str. *Simla*, on 11th inst., has been app. chaplain of Rangoon.

No. 531.—Rev. J. Clough has been transf. from Rangoon to Tonghoo.

Jan. 18.—No. 569.—Asst. surg. B. Reed, H.M.'s 12th regt., is app. to the medical charge of the civil station of Roy Bareilly, in add. to his regtl. duties, from Dec. 15, v. Asst. surg. D. C. McFall, who has left the station with his regt.

No. 571.—Dr. H. M. Cannon, inspector of prisons in Oude, received medical charge of the civil station of Lucknow, from Dr. F. Douglas, M.D., on 2nd inst.

Jan. 19.—No. 573.—Lieut. A. F. Danvers, district superint. of police, Hurdai, Oude, returned to his duties on Nov. 28 from leave to Europe.

No. 574.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to appoint the undermentioned gentlemen to be Fellows of the University of Calcutta:—

H. A. Bruce, Esq., M.D.
J. Anderson, Esq., M.D.
J. P. Brougham, Esq., M.D.
N. C. Macnamara, Esq.

No. 575.—Mr. W. McGregor, asst. supnt., telegraph dept., Dacca Circle, availed himself of the privilege leave granted to him under orders No. 676a, dated June 11, 1864, on July 16, and returned to duty Sept. 15.

Jan. 20.—No. 576.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to permit Sir R. Montgomery, K.C.B., to resign the civil service from the 10th inst.

No. 26.—Capt. H. C. Menzies, asst. comsnr., 2nd class, in the Hyderabad assigned dists., is invested with the powers of a mag.

Jan. 16.—No. 104.—Capt. W. Phaire, asst. comsnr. of Seetapore, in Oude, obtained priv. leave of abs. from Nov. 28 to Dec. 23 last.

No. 105.—Mr. H. Dennys is appd. to offic. as an extra asst. comr., 4th class, in the Central Provs., during the absence on leave of P. R. K. Narain.

No. 113.—The resignation, by Capt. J. C. Horne, Bengal staff corps, of his appt. as asst. comr. in the Punjab, is accepted by the Gov. gen. in Council.

No. 116.—Lieut. A. Farrer, asst. comr., 3rd class, in the Hyderabad assigned dists., is appd. to be also asst. conservator of forests, v. Lieut. R. Bullock.

No. 118.—The services of Mr. T. Mason, asst. comr. in Oude, are, at his own request, replaced at the disposal of the Bombay Govt. from the date of on which he may be relieved of his duties.

Jan. 19.—No. 140.—The resignation by Capt. R. Jenkins of his appt. as asst. to the Gov. gen.'s agent for Central India for boundary settlements, notified in G.O., No. 1,277, dated Sept. 21 last, is to have effect from May 22 last.

No. 142.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to accept the resignation by Dr. J. Campbell of his appointment of durbar surg. at Mysore, and to replace his services at the disposal of the Madras Govt.

Dr. A. A. Renton, of the Madras med. establishment, is appt. to offic. as durbar surg. at Mysore till further orders.

No. 145.—Lieut. col. S. R. Tickell, late comsnr. of Pegu, has been allowed leave of absence for 23 days, prep. to ret. from the service.

No. 147.—Capt. T. Wakefield, asst. comsnr. in the Central Provinces, has obtained leave of absence for 39 days, from the date on which he may avail himself of it, to proceed to Calcutta, prep. to further leave to Europe, on m.c.

No. 149.—With reference to G.O., No. 1,412, dated Oct. 6 last, Capt. D. W. Wise, asst. to the Gov. gen.'s agent for the States of Rajpootana, quitted the head quarters of the Rajpootana agency on the afternoon of Dec. 28 last.

Jan. 20.—No. 155.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to sanction the following promotions in the Oudeh commission:—

Lieut. R. H. de Montmorency, asst. comsnr., from the 2nd to the 1st grade, from Dec. 28, v. Capt.

Shaw, who assumed charge of the office of cantonment mag. of Lucknow on Dec. 22.

Lieut. W. Phaire, asst. comsnr., from the 3rd to the 2nd grade, from the same date, v. Lieut. R. H. de Montmorency.

No. 158.—The services of Mr. W. H. Smith, offic. asst. comsnr. in Oude, are replaced at the disposal of the Govt. of the North Western Provinces, from the date on which he may be relieved of his duties.

Jan. 17.—No. 12.—Capt. B. J. Prior, offic. controller, public works accounts, Central Provs., is granted two mo. priv. leave from such date as he may avail himself of the same.

Mr. W. A. Billings, accountant, 1st class, will offic. as controller, 3rd class, during Capt. Prior's absence.

No. 18.—Mr. A. B. Sampson, B.A., asst. sec., public works dept., Govt. of India, is granted one mo. priv. leave, with effect from 16th inst.

No. 16.—Mr. W. Palmer, accountant, 2nd class, and Mr. F. Barnes, asst. accountant, 2nd class, attached to the office of the accountant gen. in this dept., are prom. to be accountants 1st and 2nd grades respectively, with effect from Nov. 1, 1864.

Jan. 16.—No. 61.—The underment. officers having completed 26 years' service, 8 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be lieut. cols. from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Majors H. C. Adlam, Jan. 13; W. Agnew, Jan. 14.

No. 62.—The underment. officer having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from the date specified opposite to his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. (Brev. maj.) J. F. Stafford, Jan. 12.

No. 66.—The serv. of Capt. W. Bannerman, of the late Bombay N.I., are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept.

Jan. 17.—No. 68.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proc. to Eur. on leave, on m.c.:—

Lieut. E. C. Steer, late 3rd Madras Eur. regt., for 12 mo., under the new regulations.

No. 70.—The following order, issued by the Govt. of Bombay, is confirmed:—

No. 7, dated Jan. 4.—Granting leave to Eur., on m.c., to Maj. (Brev. lieut. col.) D. C. Shute, late 19th regt. N.I., dep. asst. qrmr. coms., Lahore div., for 20 mo., under the new regulations.

No. 71.—The undermentioned officer has reported his return from England:—

Col. J. M. Adye, C.B., R.A., dep. adj. gen. of royal art.—date of arrival at Bombay, Oct. 30, 1864.

Jan. 18.—No. 74.—The foll. proms. of surgs. of the Bengal med. dept. to the rank of surg. maj. are made, under the provisions of Govt. gen. order, No. 507, of June 20, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Surg. G. R. Playfair, M.D., from Nov. 3, 1864.

Surg. W. F. Mactier, M.D., from Dec. 3, 1864.

Surg. J. Lee, M.D., from Jan. 10.

Surg. G. Banister, from Jan. 12.

Surg. F. Douglas, M.D., from Jan. 18.

Jan. 19.—No. 75.—H.M.'s 52nd L.I. having embarked for England, per ship *Alumbagh*, on the 14th ult., is struck off the strength of the Bengal pres. from that date.

No. 76.—Surg. maj. F. Douglas, M.D., of the med. dept., civil surg., Lucknow, is perm. to proceed to Europe, under new regs. for the last residue of the furl. on the same account granted to him in G.G.O. No. 203, of Feb. 5, 1857, and 247 of April 6, 1863.

No. 77.—The underment. officers are admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India:—

Capt. (Brev. maj.) J. J. H. Gordon, of H.M.'s 46th foot, comdt. 29 (Punjab) regt. N.I., May 29, 1861.

Capt. R. Topham, of H.M.'s 88th foot, comdt. 16th Bengal cav., Jan. 19.

Ens. F. Knowles, of H.M.'s 19th foot, 3rd squadron officer, 2nd Bengal cav., Sept. 4, 1863.

No. 78.—The following proms. are made in the med. dept. under the operations of G.G.O. Nos. 1,060 and 1,061 of Dec. 28, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Promotions—Medical Department.
Asst. surg. W. Peskett to be surg., from April 1, 1863, v. Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals A. Wilson, ret.

Asst. surg. S. Clark to be surg., from May 28, v. Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals J. Balfour, retired.

Asst. surg. H. F. Williams, M.D., to be surg., from Sept. 10, 1863, v. Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals R. W. Faithfull, dec.

Asst. surg. J. B. Allen to be surg., from March 8, 1864, v. Surg. major A. White, M.D., ret.

Asst. surg. F. N. Macnamara, M.D., F.R.C.S., to be surg., from June 15, 1864, on augmentation under the provisions of paras. 5 and 6 of G.G.O. No. 507 of 1864.

Alterations of Rank.—Medical Dept.

Surg. F. Corbyn, M.D., from May, 16, 1863, v. Surg. major R. Whittall, ret.

Surg. C. Lowdell, from May 25, 1863, v. Surg. major H. W. Tytler, dec.

Surg. J. Hooper, from June 10, 1863, v. Surg. N. D. S. Wallich, dec.

Surg. D. Young, M.D., &c., from July 24, 1863, v. Surg. major W. Shillito, F.R.C.S., ret.

Surg. J. Fyler, M.D., M.R.C.P.L., &c., from July 28, 1863, v. Surg. major H. Diaper, dec.

Surg. W. H. Adley, from Aug. 24, 1863, v. Surg. major A. Grant, ret.

Surg. E. J. Vivian, from Sept. 16, 1863, v. Surg. major A. Webb, M.D., dec.

Surg. J. A. C. Hutchinson, M.D., from Sept. 25, ditto, v. Surg. maj. T. Thomson, M.D., ret.

Surg. J. B. Scriven, from Oct. 12, ditto, v. Surg. S. G. Bonsfield, ret.

Surg. J. W. R. Amesbury, from Dec. 18, ditto, v. Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals M. McN. Rind, dec.

Surg. C. Stewart, M.D. (dec.), from Dec. 20, ditto, v. Surg. maj. C. G. Andrews, ret.

Surg. E. McKellar, from Dec. 20, ditto, v. Surg. maj. T. W. Wilson, ret.

Surg. A. C. C. D'Renzy, B.A., from March 12, 1864, v. Surg. maj. C. M. Henderson, M.D., ret.

Surg. A. Christison, M.D., from March 24, ditto, v. Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals W. Thomson, ret.

Surgs. J. M. Cunningham, M.D., from April 1, ditto, v. Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals J. B. Dickson, ret.

Surg. J. C. Corbyn, M.B., from April 8, ditto, v. Surg. J. W. Mountjoy, ret.

Surgs. G. M. Govan, M.D., from June 15, 1864; R. H. Perkins, from June 15, ditto; S. C. Towns-

end, from June 15, ditto; W. B. Beatson, M.D., from June 15, ditto; C. T. Paske, from June 15, ditto; W. F. B. Dalzell, M.D., from June 15, ditto; and S. B. Partridge, Fel. U.C., from June 15, ditto, on augmentation under the provisions of paragraphs 5 and 6 of G.G.O., No. 507 of 1864.

Surg. E. Taylor, from Aug. 7, ditto, v. Surg. C. Stewart, M.D. dec.

Surg. H. W. Spry, from Sept. 26, ditto, v. Surg. major G. Paton, M.D., ret.

Surg. A. J. Dale, M.B., from Nov. 1, ditto, v. Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals G. S. Mann, F.R.C.S., dec.

Surg. A. Young, from Nov. 15, ditto, v. Surg. major A. Simpson, M.D., &c., dec.

Surgs. B. Simpson, M.D., A.B., G. H. Daly, M.D., P. O'Brien, F.R.C.S., and G. Barnard, promoted to the rank of surgeon in Government G.O. Nos. 675 and 936 of 1864, will be borne as supernumeraries, pending the instructions of the Secy. of State.

No. 79.—The undermen. officers are permitted to proceed to Europe on m.c.:

Capt. T. Wakefield, of the Madras staff corps, asst. comsr., Central Provinces, for 20 mo.

Lieut. J. M. Trotter, of the gen. list, inf., doing duty officer, 24th (Punjab) regt. N.I., for 20 mo., under the new regulations.

No. 81.—The leave on m.c. granted to Lieut. C. E. Benthall, offic. adjt., Lahore light horse, in Government G.O. No. 1,019 of Dec. 14, 1864, is extended to Nov. 1, 1865.

No. 82.—The undermen. officers, having completed 20 years' service, six years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be majors, from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, under the royal warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. C. C. Dandridge, H. P. Williams, and (brev. major) R. C. Cross, Jan. 18, 1865.

No. 84.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl.:

Surg. maj. W. W. Hende, M.D., of the Madras med. dept., civil surg. of Nagpore, for 3 years, under the old regulations, embarking at Bombay.

No. 85.—The undermentioned officers and warrant officer have reported their return from England:—

Maj. N. E. Boileau, of the Bengal staff corps, dep. judge advocate gen., Peshawar division; Maj. C. E. Mills, of the late 28th regt. N.I.; Capt. R. D.

Griffin, of the late 64th regt. N.I.; and Lieut. (brev. capt.) J. H. Tyler, of the late 20th regt. N.I., date of arrival at Fort William, Jan. 11.

Lieut. E. G. Clayton, royal eng.; Lieut. C. H. Garbett, gen. list, inf.; Vet. surg. J. Field, Bengal estab.; Conductor J. Parker, ordnance commissariat dept., Jan. 11.

Lieut. J. W. Ridgeway, gen. list, inf., and Lieut. E. Molloy, gen. list, inf., doing duty with the Kamroop police regt., Jan. 16.

No. 86.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on m.c.:

Maj. H. Hayley, Bengal staff corps, for 20 mo.

Jan. 12.—No. 601.—Mr. F. D'O. Bullock, app. by the Sec. of State for India a member of H.M.'s C.S. on the Bengal estab., reported this day his arrival at the Sandheads on 11th idem.

Jan. 20.—No. 602.—Dr. W. R. Rice, civil asst. surg. of Saugor, is transf. to Jubbulpore in the same capacity.

Jan. 21.—No. 784.—The undermentioned officers of the Oude Commission are invested with the powers of a mag. in the province of Oude:—

Mr. H. Gibson, asst. comr., 3rd class.

Lieut. G. E. Erskine, ditto.

Jan. 23.—No. 785.—The Gov. gen. in Council has been pleased to grant to the Rev. H. Murray, junior chaplain on the Bengal establishment, a furlough to Europe for two years, with effect from the date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 786.—The priv. leave of absence for 1 mo. granted by the Lord Bishop of Calcutta to the Rev. J. Clough, chaplain of Rangoon, from the date on which he may avail himself of the same, is confirmed by the Gov. gen. in Council.

Jan. 24.—No. 787.—The Rev. J. W. Young, junior chaplain on the Bengal establishment, who returned to India on the 3rd inst. per steamer *Golconda*, is appointed to be chaplain of Nowgong and Nagode.

Jan. 25.—No. 789.—Surg. J. Wilson, in civil medical charge of Jubbulpore, has obtained 1 mo.'s prep. leave from Jan. 15, or such date as he may be relieved of his duties, to proceed to Calcutta, for the purpose of obtaining sick leave to Europe.

No. 793.—Dr. J. P. Cromarty, civil surgeon, Tavoy, made over medical charge of the jail and civil hospital of Tavoy on Dec. 21.

No. 822.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the undermen. officer in the Central Provs. with the powers of a subord. magis. of the 2nd class:—

Lieut. A. Bloomfield, offic. asst. comsr.

No. 823.—Lieut. G. E. Fryer, prob. asst. super. of police in British Burmah, and offic. asst. comsr., is invested with the powers of a subord. magis. of the 2nd class.

No. 824.—Lieut. C. W. Street, offic. dep. comsr., 4th class, in British Burmah, is invested with the powers.

No. 826.—Mr. G. E. Burr, offic. asst. comsr., 3rd grade, in British Burmah, is invested with the powers of a magis. of the district.

Jan. 26.—No. 828.—Mr. A. Howell, under sec. to the Govt. of India, in the financial dept., to be also an under sec. in the home dept.

No. 829.—The undermen. officers of the Oude commission are invested with the powers of a subord. magis. of the 2nd class, described in Sec. 22 of Act XXV. of 1861, within the province of Oude:—

Mr. H. S. Boys, C.S., offic. asst. comsr., 3rd grade.

Mr. A. R. Hutton, extra asst. comr. 3rd grade.

No. 830.—Capt. B. M. S. Lloyd, dep. comr. of Toungoo, British Burmah, received charge of the office of supt. of police at that station from Capt. J. Duval, supt., 1st grade, on the afternoon of Nov. 30.

Capt. J. Duval, supt. of police, 1st grade, is transf. to the Martaban dist., in room of Capt. Grove, supt. of police, 2nd grade, proceeding on m.c. to England.

Capt. J. Duval reached Shwegyeen, and assumed charge of his office from Capt. Grove, on the forenoon of Dec. 4.

Capt. W. G. Grove left Rangoon for Eur. on Dec. 15.

Lieut. C. Poole, asst. supt. of police, is transf. from the Bassein to the Toungoo dist.

Lieut. A. Cook, supt. of police, 3rd grade, is transf. from the Amherst to the Bassein dist.

No. 831.—Consequent on the departure to Eur. on m.c. of Capt. Grove, supt. of police, 2nd grade, the following proms. are made in the British Burmah police, with effect from Dec. 5:—

Lieut. R. Houghton, asst. superint., to offic. as superint. of police, 3rd grade.

Mr. W. H. Patterson, 1st class inspector, to offic. as asst. superint.

No. 831b.—Dr. L. F. Dickson is app. to the med. charge of Chandah, in the Central Provs., and Dr. H. A. Kidd to the med. charge of Mundlah, under the same administration.

Jan. 27.—No. 832.—Mr. J. E. Hodgson, sub asst. revenue surveyor, 1st class, is transf. from the right to the left bank, Indus, Scinde Survey, from Jan. 1.

Jan. 24.—No. 33.—Capt. C. H. Clay, 2nd in com. and squadron officer, Deolee irregular force, reported his return to India on Nov. 25, and received charge of his duties from Capt. S. Fellows on Dec. 21.

No. 34.—Lieut. J. R. McK. Homfray, app. in G.O. dated 11th inst., No. 5, to be doing duty officer in the Malwa Bheel Corps, is transf. to the Bhopal levy as doing duty officer.

No. 70.—The Hon. D. F. McLeod, C.B., received charge of the Govt. of the Punjab and its dependencies from the Hon. Sir R. Montgomery, K.C.B., on the forenoon of the 10th inst.

No. 73.—Capt. W. Bannerman, late 3rd Bombay N.I., is app. to be comr. for laying down the boundary between the Central India agency and the Rewah Kanta.

No. 179.—The undermen. officers of the British Burmah commission have passed the examination prescribed for junior officers of the commission:—

For the Higher Standard.—Mr. C. Phillips, extra asst. comsr.

For the Lower Standard.—Lieut. C. O. L. L. Prendergast, asst. comsr., with credit.

Mr. R. McLeod, extra asst. comsr., with credit.

Lieut. W. G. Hughes, asst. comsr.

No. 180.—Asst. surg. S. T. Heard, M.D., is appd. to the med. charge of the Nuggur division in Mysora.

Jan. 25.—No. 584.—Lieut. H. C. A. Szczepanski and Capt. H. C. Menzies, appd. in G.O. dated Nov. 24, No. 1,872, to be asst. comsrs. in the Hyderabad assigned districts, received charge of their respective offices on Dec. 20, 1864.

No. 185.—Lieut. G. E. Fryer, offic. asst. comsr. in British Burmah, is appd. to be asst. sec. to the chief comsr. of British Burmah.

No. 187.—Capt. T. O. Mayne, asst. comsr., South-west Berar, has obt'd. 15 days' leave of abs. from the date on which he may avail himself of it, to proc. to Bombay.

No. 189.—Asst. surg. G. N. Cheke, in med. charge of the Nipal presidency, has leave for 84 days, from the date on which he may avail himself of it, to proc. to Calcutta, prepy. to applying for furl. to Eur.

Jan. 26.—No. 205.—Capt. E. B. Sladen, asst. comr., 1st grade, in British Burmah, and offic. mag. of Rangoon, is appd. to be agent to the chief comr., British Burmah, at Mandalay.

The following arrangements are made in consequence:—

Lieut. C. W. Street, asst. comr., 2nd grade, to be asst. comr., 1st grade.

Lieut. W. W. Pemberton, asst. comr., 3rd grade, to be asst. comr., 2nd grade.

Capt. Sladen made over charge of his office to Mr. G. Hough, registrar of the Court of Small Causes at Rangoon, on the afternoon of Jan. 3.

Mr. G. Hough is invested with the powers of a mag. in the dist. of Rangoon.

Jan. 27.—No. 212.—The services of Mr. C. U. Aitchison, under secy. to the Gov. of India in the Foreign Dept., are placed at the disposal of the Punjab Govt. from the afternoon of the 26th inst.

Mr. J. W. S. Wyllie, Bombay C.S., on sick leave to Eur., is appd. under secy. to the Govt. of India in the Foreign Dept.

Mr. A. Colvin, offic. under secy. in the Home Dept., is appd. to offic. as under secy. in the Foreign Dept. Mr. Colvin received charge of his office from Mr. Aitchison on the afternoon of the 26th instant.

SALT DUTIES.

Jan. 25.—No. 462.—Under Section III. of Act XXX. of 1854, the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to direct that, from the date of the receipt of this notification at Rangoon, the duty upon salt imported by sea into the Provinces which are under the administration of the Chief Comr. of British Burmah shall be levied at the rate of three annas a maund.

No. 468.—Mr. S. G. Wyatt resumed charge of his office of First asst. auditor gen. of India on Jan. 19.

No. 493.—Mr. O. T. Catter, superint. of printing

and in charge of the military orphan press, resumed charge of his duties on 21st inst.

No. 498.—Mr. S. G. Wyatt, First asst. auditor gen. of India, has leave to Europe, on m.c., for 2 years.

Mr. W. E. Gordon, deputy auditor and acct. gen., Hyderabad, to offic. as First asst. auditor gen. of India, during the absence of Mr. S. G. Wyatt on leave.

Mr. E. S. Byrne, chief asst. in the office of the Auditor gen. of India, to offic. as deputy auditor and acct. gen., Hyderabad, in the room of Mr. Gordon.

Mr. H. Ronaldson to officiate as chief asst. in the office of the auditor gen. of India during the absence of Mr. Byrne, or until further orders.

Jan. 26.—No. 505.—Mr. R. W. Lodwick, Bombay Civil Service and civil paymaster, Madras, having been allowed by the Government of Bombay to proceed on furlough for 3 years, made over charge of his office to his chief asst., Mr. W. Donald, on the 13th inst.

No. 535.—Mr. H. A. Mangles, civil paymaster, Bombay, to officiate as civil paymaster and deputy auditor and accountant gen., British Burmah.

Mr. C. R. Kiernander, chief asst. dep. auditor and accountant gen., British Burmah, to officiate temporarily as dep. auditor and accountant gen., British Burmah, until the arrival of Mr. Mangles.

Jan. 27.—No. 543.—Mr. A. Howell, who, under the orders of April 13, 1864, No. 2.676, has been officiating as under secy. to the Government of India in the financial dept., is confirmed in that appt.

Jan. 26.—No. 18.—Mr. W. Hutton, overseer, 2nd grade, is transferred from Bengal to the lighthouses division, with effect from Jan. 4, 1865.

No. 20.—Mr. C. Nuttall, offic. controller of public works account, Mysore, assumed charge of his duties on Dec. 24 last.

No. 22.—Lieut. W. P. Tomkins, R.E., asst. eng., 1st class, British Burmah, is temp. attached to the office of the chief eng., British Burmah, with effect from Jan. 7.

Jan. 24.—No. 87.—Maj. J. N. Thomas, of the late 39th N.I., is allowed furl. in India for 3 years, from Dec. 31, 1864, under the old regulations.

No. 89.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl. :—

Lieut. col. R. N. Raikes, Bengal inf., for 3 years, under the old regulations.

No. 90.—The G.G.O. No. 1,069, of Dec. 28, 1864, appg. Lieut. M. A. Rowlandson, of the Madras staff corps, adj. 41st Madras N.I., to be qmrr. of the 5th inf., Punjab irregular force, is, at his own request, cancelled.

No. 91.—Staff.—The undermentioned officer is admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the date specified opposite to his name, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India :—

Lieut. R. M. Clifford, of the late 60th regt. N.I., 8rd squadron officer, 16th Bengal cav., March 10.

No. 92.—Lieut. col. S. R. Tickell, Bengal staff corps, retired from the service from the 15th inst., under G.G.O. No. 28 of 1865, is allowed prep. leave in ext. to that date.

No. 94.—The underment. officers having completed 20 years' service, 6 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be majors from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, under the royal warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval :—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. H. R. Wroughton (brevet major), H. R. Garden, and J. Williamson, Jan. 20.

No. 95.—The underment. officers having completed 12 years' service, 4 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt., from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, under the royal warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval :—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Lieuts. G. B. Stainforth and A. Tulloch, Jan. 20.

Jan. 25.—No. 96.—The underment. officer has reported his return from England :—

Major (brevet col.) J. M. B. F. Tytler, c.n., of the Bengal staff corps, date of arrival at Fort William, Jan. 11.

No. 98.—Capt. A. H. Prinsep, of the late 4th European L.C., 3rd squadron officer, 4th Punjab cavalry, is, at his own request, permitted to resign his appt. in the Punjab irregular force, and his services are accordingly placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C.

No. 99.—Lieut. J. W. Grant, of the late 42nd N.I., doing duty officer, 23rd (Punjab) regt. N.I. (pioneers), is permitted to resign the service, subject to H.M.'s approval.

WITHHOLDING PAY CERTIFICATES.

No. 101.—It has been brought to the notice of Government that officers returning to England have been sometimes subjected to much inconvenience, owing to their last pay certificates having been withheld in consequence of the existence of unadjusted retrenchments against them.

It is accordingly notified, for general information and guidance, that officers embarking for England are invariably to be furnished with a form of certificate, which will enable the home authorities to issue to them the pay and allowances to which they may be entitled.

Any amount which may remain unadjusted in India should be distinctly shown in the certificate, in order that it may be duly recovered in England, unless cause be shown to the contrary.

This order is applicable to the three Presidencies.

STAFF.—No. 102.—The undermentioned officers are admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India :—

Lieut. E. G. Wace, late 33rd N.I., asst. comsnnr., Punjab; Jan. 17, 1862.

Lieut. L. C. deL. Daniell, late 18th N.I., qmrr. 1st Sikh inf.; Dec. 30, 1862.

Lieut. J. B. Slater, late 22nd N.I., adjt. 2nd Sikh inf.; March 28, 1862.

No. 103.—Surg. major C. Archer, m.d., medical dept., has leave to Europe, m.c., for 20 mo., via Bombay, under new regulations, from date of leaving Bengal Presidency.

No. 104.—Ensign F. Knowles, H.M.'s 19th foot, 8rd squadron officer, 2nd Bengal cav., admitted to Bengal staff corps by G.G.O. No. 77 of 19th inst., will rank as lieut. in that corps, under operation of para. 84 of G.G.O. No. 332 of 1861, with effect from Sept. 4, 1863, subject to H.M.'s approval.

No. 105.—Appointments :—

Punjab Irregular Force.
5th Inf.—Lieut. C. E. Stewart, Bengal staff corps, wing officer, to be 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Maj. H. Hayley, proceeding to Europe on m.c., who vacates the appt. under the operation of para. 20 of the new furl. regs.

Lieut. A. W. C. Read, 51st foot, adjt., to be wing officer, v. Lieut. Stewart.

Lieut. R. C. S. C. Tytler, gen. list, inf., doing duty officer, to be adjt., v. Lieut. Read.

5th Goorkha Regt.—Lieut. J. M. Sym, late 58th N.I., qmrr., to be adjt., v. Lieut. J. S. Oliphant, dec.

Lieut. A. P. Broome, gen. list, inf., doing duty officer, to be qmrr., v. Lieut. Sym.

No. 106.—The undermentioned officer, having completed five years' service as major and brev. lieut. col., and as regt. lieut. col., to be col. in the army, from the date specified opposite to his name, under the operation of Clauses 8 and 9 of the Royal Warrant dated Jan. 31, 1859, published in G.G.O. No. 470, dated May 20, 1859, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Brevet.

To be Col. in the Army.—Lieut. col. G. S. Montgomery, of the Bombay inf., Dec. 26, 1864.

No. 108.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the foll. app. :—

Capt. J. C. Horne, of the Bengal staff corps, to be a dep. judge advocate gen., to complete the estab.

No. 109.—Lieut. W. L. P. Drummond, of the Bengal staff corps, 2nd squad. officer, 11th Bengal cav., is allowed leave of abs. from Dec. 25, to date of embark., to visit Bombay, prep. to proc. to Eur. on m.c.

No. 110.—The foll. order, issued by the Govt. of Bombay, is confirmed :—

Jan. 12.—No. 30.—Granting leave of absence to Eur., on m.c., to Lieut. W. L. P. Drummond, of the Bengal staff corps, for 20 mo.

Jan. 27.—No. 111.—The following promotion by brevet is made under the operation of G.G.O. No. 632 of Aug. 4, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval :—

Brevet.

Late 22nd N.I.—Brev. capt. F. Duffin, from Dec. 29.

No. 112.—The undermentioned officers having completed 26 years' service, 8 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be lieut. cols., from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval :—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Majors O. Hamilton, and A. H. Ternan, from Jan. 24.

No. 114.—Surg. J. Squire, of the medical department, is permitted to proceed to sea, Singapore and

Malacca, on m.c., and to be absent from Bengal on that account for 8 mo., from Feb. 8, under the old regs.

Jan. 30.—No. 989.—Mr. R. G. Currie, of the C.S., is perm. to proceed to Eur. on furl. for a period of 1 year from the date of embarkation.

Feb. 1.—No. 990.—Mr. E. C. Bayley, secy. to the Govt. of India, in the home dept., having returned from the priv. leave granted to him under notification No. 5,225, dated Nov. 18 last, resumed charge of his office on the forenoon of this day.

Feb. 2.—No. 1,065.—The Rev. A. O. Hardy has been appt. by the Right Hon. the Secy. of State to be a jun. chaplain of the Bengal estab.

No. 1,066.—Mr. H. Fraser, head master of the Kampte school, is appt. to offic. as insp. of schools, eastern circle, Central Provs.

Feb. 3.—No. 1,068.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the following officer, in the Central Provs., with the powers of a mag. described in Section 22 of Act XXV. of 1861 :—Lieut. H. C. E. Ward, asst. comr.

Jan. 30.—No. 56.—Asst. surg. F. H. O'Donel, m.d., in medical charge of the Meywar Bheel corps, has obtained prep. leave for 1 mo. to proceed to Bombay, from Feb. 1 next.

The G.O. dated Dec. 21, No. 244, is hereby cancelled.

Feb. 2.—No. 59.—With reference to G.O. No. 8, dated 12th ult., Maj. A. M. Mackenzie, commandant Meywar Bheel corps and superintendent of hilly tracts in Meywar, returned to his duties on Dec. 31, 1864.

Jan. 30.—No. 234.—The leave of absence granted to Col. G. Ramsay, Resident at Nepal, in G.O. No. 1,633, dated Dec. 20 last, is extended to 22 mos.

No. 236.—Maj. R. Ranken, asst. gen. supt. of operations for the suppression of thuggee and dacoitee at Jubbulpore, has obtained priv. leave of absence for 1 mo., from Dec. 19, 1864.

No. 238.—Lieut. W. J. Muir, asst. to the Gov. gen.'s agent for the States of Rajpootana, returned to his duty, on the 4th inst., from the leave granted him in G.O. No. 1,128, dated Sept. 6, 1864.

No. 239.—Mr. R. Berkeley, asst. comsnnr., 2nd class, in Oude, has obtained leave to England on m.c. for 15 mo., from May 25, 1864.

No. 241.—Major J. F. J. Stevenson, dep. comsnnr., 3rd grade, in British Burmah, has obtained the usual leave to reach the port of embarkation, prep. to applying for further leave to Europe on m.c.

Major Stevenson made over charge of his office to Capt. F. N. Bayley, asst. comsnnr. at Bassein on the afternoon of the 2nd inst.

Feb. 2.—No. 249.—Mr. D. A. Cameron, extra asst. comsnnr., Nursingpore, in the Central Provs., has priv. leave of abs. for 3 mo., from the date on which he may be relieved of his duties.

No. 251.—Lieut. T. Cadell, v.c., assumed charge of the office of Bheel agent and political asst., from Maj. W. G. Cumming, on Jan. 1.

No. 252.—Asst. surg. T. M. Lounds made over med. charge of the Rajpootana agency to Asst. surg. W. J. Moore, of the Jodhpore political agency, on Jan. 14.

Feb. 3.—No. 631.—Mr. W. E. Gordon, dep. aud. and account. gen., Hyderabad, made over charge of his office to his chief asst., Mr. J. Rose, on Jan. 20.

Jan. 30.—No. 23.—Mr. W. Palmer, account., 1st grade, attached to account. gen.'s office, public works dept., Govt. of India, is granted two mo. priv. leave, with effect from Feb. 20.

Jan. 31.—No. 24.—Mr. G. D. Prussia, account., 2nd grade, joined the office of accounts, British Burmah, on 9th inst.

No. 25.—Mr. J. M. Algie, prob. asst. engr., British Burmah, joined the embankment div. of public works on Dec. 12, 1864.

No. 27.—Col. A. Taylor, c.n., superint. engr., 1st circle, Punjab, is appt. to offic. as chief engr. and sec. to Govt., Punjab, v. Lieut. col. R. MacLagan, proc. on leave to Eur.

Col. Taylor assumed charge of the office of the chief engr. and sec. to Govt., Punjab, on the 16th inst.

No. 29.—Mr. W. Purdon, exec. engr., 1st class, is appointed an officg. suptdg. engr., Punjab, during the absence of Lieut. col. MacLagan, R.E., or until further orders.

Feb. 2.—No. 29.—The following temp. arrangements are made consequent on the departure of Capt. C. D. Newmarch on leave on m.c. :—

Capt. W. S. Oliphant, R.E., to officiate as chief engr. and secy. to chief comsnnr., in the public works dept., British Burmah.

Lieut. W. P. Tomkins, R.E., at present attached to chief engr.'s office, to officiate as asst. to the chief

enrg. and asst. secy. to the chief comanr., in the public works dept., British Burmah.

No. 31.—Mr. J. Adam, exec. engr., 8rd class, Punjab, having reported his arrival at Calcutta on Jan. 5, 1865, the unexpired portion of leave granted to him by the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India (vide Notification No. 357, dated Dec. 19, 64 is cancelled.

No. 117.—Lieut. col. (brev. col.) Sir H. B. Edwardes, K.C.B., Bengal inf., comanr. and supt. of the Umballa div., has leave to Europe on m.c. for 20 mos., under the new regs.

No. 118.—Staff.—The undermen. officers are admitted to the Bengal staff corps with effect from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India.

Lieut. C. H. Bridges, of the late 15th N.I., qmr. of the 22nd (Punjab) regt. N.I., July 28.

Lieut. C. Shuttleworth, of H.M.'s 42nd royal highlanders, 1st asst. dist. superint. of police, and ex officio 2nd in command Ajmere and Mairwarra police corps, Oct. 11, 1862.

No. 119.—The services of Surg. A. Renton, M.D., of the Madras medical estab., are placed temp. at the disposal of the foreign dept.

No. 120.—The undermen. surg. of the Bengal medical dept. is prom. to the rank of surg. maj., under the provisions of G.G.O. No. 507 of June 20, subject to H.M.'s approval.—Surg. R. J. Atkinson, F.R.C.S. from Jan. 24.

No. 123.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl.—

Surg. T. Atchison, of the med. dept., for 2 years, under the new regs.

No. 124.—The underment. officers are permitted to proceed to Europe on leave of abs. on m.c. :—

Capt. (brevet lieut. col.) P. H. K. Dewaal, of the late 34th regt. N.I., for 20 mo., under the new regs.

Capt. C. D. Newmarch, of the royal engrs., chief engr., British Burmah, and sec. to the chief comanr. in the public works dept., for 20 mo., under the new regs.

No. 125.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe :—

Lieut. A. Andrew, of the Bengal staff corps, for 6 mo., without pay.

Staff.—No. 128.—The underment. officers are admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India :—

Lieut. T. M. Sandys, of the late 73rd N.I., adjt. 2nd Punjab inf., July 29, 1863.

Lieut. C. K. Mackinnon, of the late 63rd N.I., adjt. 3rd Punjab inf., Dec. 6, 1861.

Lieut. N. J. Jones, of the late 15th N.I., qmr. 2nd Punjab inf., Sept. 15, 1863.

No. 129.—The G.G.O. No. 41, of the 10th ult., placing the services of Lieut. P. H. M. Wynter, of the late 32nd N.I., at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal, is cane. at the request of that officer.

No. 130.—The underment. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence, on m.c.

Lieut. col. J. P. Beadle, of the R.E., chief engr. and secy. to the Govt. of Bengal, public works dept., for 20 mo., under the new regs.

No. 132.—Maj. J. R. A. S. Lowe, dep. asst. comy. gen., is allowed leave of absence from Jan. 25 to Feb. 10, to visit the pres., prep. to applying for leave of absence on m.c. to Eur.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Head-qrs., Calcutta, Jan. 6.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following apps., until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known :—

36th Foot.—Lieut. C. Spurgeon to be adjt., v. Neal, who res. that app.; dated Dec. 23, 1864.

Maj. gen. J. Welchman, C.B., is perm. to reside at Umballa and in the hills north of Deyrah, and to draw his pay from the Meerut pay-office.

Maj. H. E. Iremonger, brig. maj., Peshawur, officg. dep. asst. adjt. gen. at army head qrs., app. an asst. adjt. gen. of div. in G.G.O. No. 1,072 of 1864, is posted to the Benares div., but will continue with the adjt. gen.'s dept. at head qrs.

The undermen. officers are app. to do duty with the detachment of invalids proc. to England on board the *Alquis* :—

To Command.—Capt. J. G. Campbell, 104th foot.

To do Duty.—Lieuts. C. H. Pickering, E batt. 11th brig., royal art.; J. E. Harden, 101st foot; and F. B. Prinsep, 21st hussars.

In Medical Charge.—Asst. surg. A. C. Gaye, royal horse art.

The serv. of the comdg. and med. officers are

placed at the disp. of the qmr. gen. for transport duty.

Asst. surg. A. P. M. Corbett, M.D., F batt. 11th brig. royal art., is app. to the med. charge of the Kussowlie convalescent depot, in succession to Asst. surg. W. H. Price, of the 89th foot, whose tour of duty has expired, and who will rejoin the 89th foot on its arrival at Subathoo.

Asst. surg. C. H. Y. Godwin, 25th brig. royal art., is transf. to F batt. 11th brig., and will receive Asst. surg. Corbett, M.D.

Staff asst. surg. J. Kelly, at present in med. charge of No. 2 batt. 25th brig. royal art., is transf. to No. 1 batt. 25th brig., under orders to march from Delhi to Saugor.

Staff surg. D. Woods, whose prom. from the 19th hussars was announced in War-office Gazette of Oct. 28, 1864, will proc. to Allahabad, and report himself to the mily. authorities for med. charge of the 107th foot, relieving Asst. surg. S. M. Webb, M.D., of the 36th foot, who will rejoin his corps.

The undermen. medical officers, recently app. to the royal art., having been posted to the batteries mentioned opposite their names, will proceed to join under arrangements to be made by the mily. and med. authorities of the Madras and Bombay Presidencies.

17th Brigade Royal Artillery (Madras).—Asst. surg. R. J. Owen, M.D., from med. staff, to No. 1 batt. at St. Thomas's Mount.

Asst. surg. M. L. White, from 1st foot to No. 3 batt. at Kamptee.

18th Brigade Royal Artillery (Bombay).—Asst. surgs. J. Watt, M.D., from 95th foot, to A batt. at Hyderabad; J. W. Belcher, from med. staff to B batt. at Sholapore; E. Drew, from med. staff to C batt. at Kurrachee; H. W. Devlin, from 44th foot to E batt. at Belgaum; K. J. Parr, from med. staff to F batt. at Kirkee; and J. B. Jardine, from 56th foot to G batt. at Baroda.

20th Brigade Royal Artillery (Madras).—Asst. surgs. K. W. Cumming, from med. staff to No. 1 batt. at Rangoon; J. S. M'Adam, from med. staff to B batt. at Waltair; C. Gray, from med. staff to C batt. at Trichinopoly; R. W. Berkeley, from med. staff to No. 5 batt. at Tonghoo; and E. Nicholson, from med. staff to F batt. at Cannanore.

21st Brigade Royal Artillery (Bombay).—Asst. surgs. J. J. Pope, from 72nd foot to No. 1 batt. at Mhow; and A. Royle, from 44th foot to No. 3 batt. at Belgaum.

23rd Brig. R.A. (Madras).—Asst. Surg. G. C. Clery, from medical staff, to A batty. at Bangalore; G. Simon, M.D., from medical staff, to B batty. at Secunderabad; W. Leach, M.D., from medical staff, to C batty. at St. Thomas' Mount; and A. C. M'Tavish, M.D., from 60th rifles, to G batty. at Thayetmyo.

The undermen. officers were declared by the board of examiners at Fort William on the 5th ult. to have passed in Hindustanee :—

Lieut. J. E. Buller, 91st foot.

Lieut. A. Vallings, 108th foot.

Lieut. J. Miller, late 27th N.I.

Lieut. F. T. Ripley, late 47th N.I.

Lieut. H. A. Pakenham, late 55th N.I.

Lieut. W. Hopkinson, gen. list, inf.

Asst. Surg. T. Ringer, M.D., medical dept., att. to 40th N.I.

Dinapore brig. order dated Nov. 26 last, directing Asst. Surg. T. Y. Baker, of the 27th foot, to receive med. charge of the station staff, as a temp. measure, from Surg. maj. T. C. Hutchinson, res., with effect from 1st ult.

By the officer comdg. the E.I. regt., dated Nov. 28 last, directing Capt. C. H. Griffin, 2nd in com., to assume com., v. Lieut. col. T. A. Carey, proceeded to join the 21st N.I., with effect from 29th idem.

By the officer comdg. the E.I. regt., dated Nov. 29 last, directing Lieut. F. M. Leslie to offic. as 2nd in com., in addition to his other duties, v. Griffin.

Quade div. order dated 2nd ult., appg. Capt. W. Owen, 107th foot, to act as aide de camp, during the absence of Lieut. A. W. R. Becher, proceeded on field service, or until further orders.

Agra garrison and station order dated 4th ult., appg. Capt. G. E. Francis, of the 20th foot, officg. brig. maj., to offic. as station interpreter, with effect from 3rd idem, there being no qualified officer available.

Leave of absence :—

Staff Corps.—Capt. A. Blunt (doing duty 15th N.I.), from Feb. 15 to March 31, to visit Calcutta prep. to applying for furl. to Eur.

Royal Horse Artillery.—Capt. F. L. H. Lyon (D batty. A brig.), from date of embarkation, to England, to appear before a medical board; 2nd

Capt. H. LeG. Geary (adjt. 14th brig.), from date of embarkation; and Asst. Surg. H. W. Devlin (18th brig.), from date of embarkation, to England, via Egypt, m.c.; and Asst. Surg. W. R. Wall (22nd brig.), from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, m.c.

7th Foot.—Maj. T. W. Marten (1st batt.), from Dec. 9 to Jan. 8, to Calcutta, prep. to proceeding on leave to England.

18th Foot.—Capt. W. Crozier (1st batt.), from date of embarkation at Bombay, to England, m.c.

23rd Foot.—Lieut. E. M. Roe (1st batt., instructor of musketry), from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, m.c.

38th Foot.—Ens. C. A. S. Monteath, from Nov. 15 to Dec. 15, in ext.

81st Foot.—Ens. J. Wilson, from Oct. 31 in ext., for 2 mo., to Calcutta, m.c.

95th Foot.—Capt. A. M. Rawlins, from date of embarkation, to England, via the overland route, m.c.

106th Foot.—Capt. F. R. Burnett, from Nov. 13, to May 12, to Murree and hills north of Deyrah, on m.c.

108th Foot.—Maj. A. J. Shuldham, from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, m.c.

Gen. List, Inf.—Lieut. J. M. Trotter (officg. qmr. 24th N.I.), from Dec. 13, 1864, to Jan. 13, to visit Calcutta, prep. to applying for leave to Eur. on m.c.

Head qrs., Calcutta, Jan. 9.—Staff Corps.—Under authority of the Govt., the C. in C. is pleased to notify that an officer holding the appt. of A.D.C. to a general officer comdg. a div. is not eligible for admission to the staff corps, in virtue of such appt.

Dated Nov. 29 last.—Directing Staff asst. surg. T. Babington to proceed to Futttehghur for duty with a detachment of invalids on route to Allahabad.

The following orders are confirmed :—

By the officer comdg. the 13th Bengal cav., dated Nov. 20 last, making the following appts., v. Capt. R. C. Low, 2nd in com. and squadron officer, proceeded on leave :—

Lieut. and adjt. C. R. Pennington, to offic. as 2nd in com. and squadron officer, in add. to his other duties.

Lieut. H. E. Ryves, doing duty officer, to offic. as 3rd squadron officer in add. to his other duties.

Leave of absence :—

Royal Horse Art.—Capt. E. Atlay (E batty. C brig.), from Jan. 23 to Feb. 23, to port of embarkation, and thence to England, for 15 mo.

7th Drag. Gds.—Lieut. A. H. Vincent, from Nov. 1 to Nov. 24, 1864, in ext.

17th Lancers.—Ridingmaster T. Martin, from Dec. 31, 1864, to Jan. 17, in ext.

20th Hussars.—Lieut. T. W. Hogg, from Oct. 15 to Nov. 16, 1864, in ext.

20th Foot.—Lieut. col. G. Bennet (1st batt.), from March 9 to Sept. 8, 1866, to England.

51st Foot.—Asst. surg. G. T. Bourke, from date of embarkation, to England via the overland route, m.c.

Rifle Brig.—Lieut. G. H. Verney (3rd batt.), from date of departure from Meerut, to England for 6 mo.

Late 4th Eur. I.C.—Lieut. G. T. Halliday (doing duty 10th B cav.), from July 4 to Nov. 4, 1864, in ext. of priv. leave to remain at Calcutta to study the native languages.

Late 4th Eur. Regt.—Lieut. R. H. Dyas (attached to 18th N.I.), from Dec. 1 to Dec. 31, 1864, to Calcutta prep. to applying for leave to England.

Late 15th N.I.—Lieut. R. Milne, from Nov. 21, 1864, to Feb. 21, to Calcutta, on m.c. (This cancels the leave granted in G.O.C.C. page 564.)

Late 66th N.I.—Lieut. col. C. C. G. Ross (comdnt. 14th N.I.), from Dec. 13, 1864, to Jan. 13, to Allahabad, on m.c.

Vety. Dept.—Vet. surg. A. Turnbull, from Dec. 31, 1864, to Jan. 3, in ext.

Jan. 20.—GYMNASTICS.—It is hereby notified that the Govt. of India have been pleased to authorise the issue of clubs for the exercise of British troops in India, to the following extent :—

For each company of infantry or troop of cavalry 1 set of clubs.

For a battery of artillery 2 sets of clubs.

Each set to consist of 6 pairs of 4, 8, 10, and 12 lbs. weight, and 2 of 6 lbs.

The clubs will be issued by the barrack department and kept in the barrack rooms, so as to be available to the soldier in his leisure hours as well as for drill.

Capt. J. Angelo, wing officer of the 8th N.I., app. brigade major on the estab., by G.G.O. No. 1 of 3rd inst., is posted to the Peshawur brigade.

Asst. surg. A. G. Crewe is app. to the medical charge of the 2nd N.I., v. S. Mackertich.

Lieut. A. C. B. Wither, gen. list, inf., attached to

the 24th N.I., passed the prescribed colloquial examination on 10th ult.

Lieut. W. F. Edwards, late 45th N.I., attached to 25th Punjab N.I., is permitted to do gen. duty at Meerut.

Vet. surg. M. J. Marshall is transf. from F to the head quarters of C R.H.B., under orders to proceed to England, and directed to join.

Asst. surg. J. S. Joyner, 18th brigade royal art., will take med. charge of invalids or time-expired men proceeding from Mooltan to Kurrachee, and on arrival will report himself to the principal medical officer H.M.'s British forces at Bombay, from whom he will receive further instructions.

The following medical officers, arrived for the first time in India, will proceed to the stations noted below, for duty with the regiments specified:—

Staff asst. surgeons W. Atkinson, 51st foot, at Peshawur; M. Cogan, 90th foot, at Peshawur; R. Turner, M.D., 104th foot, at Jhansie; T. G. Bolster, M.D., detachment 80th foot, at Darjeeling, and to relieve Asst. surg. White; J. V. T. Malcolm, M.D., 19th hussars, at Meerut; and J. Fleming, M.D., royal art., at Futttehghurh.

The undermentioned officers are app. to do duty as specified:—

Lieut. col. R. R. Mainwaring, Bengal inf., at Dinapore.

Capt. H. L. Gleig, late 32nd N.I., at Meerut.

Lieut. C. E. Bates, staff corps, with 19th hussars. The undermentioned officers passed the prescribed colloquial examination on 20th ult.:—

Lieut. A. D. Anderson, royal art.

Capt. T. B. Hackett, v.c., Lieuts. R. A. E. Hay, A. R. Hutchinson, and G. Wildes, 1st batt. 23rd foot.

The undermen. officers are appd. to a detachment of troops proceeding to England on board the *Con-strict*:—

To command.—Capt. C. J. R. Tyler, 80th foot.

To do duty.—Lieuts. F. P. W. Freeman, No. 5-24 R.A.; N. W. D. Pringle, 38th foot; and E. N. Mosley, 77th foot.

In medical charge.—Asst. surg. G. Park, M.D., 52nd foot.

(This cancels his appointment to the *St. Lawrence* by G.O.C.C. Dec. 23, 1864.)

The services of the commanding and medical officers are placed at the disposal of the qrmr. gen. for transport duty.

Lieut. G. N. Saunders, late 24th N.I., is permitted to do general duty at Rawul Pindee, with effect from Nov. 7 last.

Lieut. G. MacCall, gen. list, inf., officiating doing duty officer, 16th N.I., is directed to do duty with the 5th lancers, for instruction in the duties of the cavalry arm.

The appt. of Lieut. R. D. Beeston, to be officiating doing officer of the 4th N.I., is cancelled at his own request, and he will remain with the 31st N.I.

In continuation of G.O. of Nov. 3, 1864, Hon. Asst. surg. F. H. A. Leach, of the sub. med. dept., is permitted to remain at Allahabad.

In cancellation of G.O. of Nov. 9, p. 557, Lieut. D. M. Strong, gen. list, inf., app. to do duty with the 19th hussars, is perm. to join the 5th lancers for instruction in cav. drill.

The 4 mo. sick leave granted to Surg. W. B. Butt, of the med. dept., in G.O.C.C. of Nov. 16 last, p. 591, is to have effect from Sept. 23, instead of from the date therein mentioned.

The foll. Saugor dist. orders are confirmed:—
Dated Nov. 19 last.—Directing Surg. J. H. Porter, of the 97th foot, to take charge of the civil duties and of the med. store depot, during the abs. on temp. duty of asst. surg. W. R. Rice.

Dated 1st ult.—Perm. Maj. J. Y. Gowan, staff corps, to do gen. duty at Saugor.

The following Peshawur div. orders are confirmed:—

Dated Nov. 15 last.—Directing Lieut. J. Busfield and Ens. H. F. Rowley, of the 79th foot, to do duty with the invalids of the season to the port of embarkation.

Dated Nov. 23 last.—Directing the following medical arrangements:—

Asst. surg. J. Folliott, of the 51st foot, to proceed to Lahore and assume med. charge of the detachment of invalids proceeding to England via Mooltan and Kurrachee.

Asst. surg. N. Folliott, of the 20th hussars, to do duty with the 51st foot, temp., v. Asst. surg. J. Folliott.

Directing Lieut. W. F. Tucker, gen. list, inf. doing duty at the Murree Convalescent Depot, to rejoin the 23rd N.I.

Dated Nov. 24 last.—Appg. Offg. asst. apoth. H. I. Fimmamore to offic. as steward with the 51st

foot, v. Offg. steward W. F. Browne, proceeded with invalids, with effect from the 16th idem.

Landour station order confirmed, dated 5th ult., appg. Capt. C. D. S. Clarke, late 73rd N.I., doing duty at the Convalescent Depot, to officiate, as station staff officer, v. Major A. S. O. Donaldson, proceeding on leave, with effect from the 1st idem.

The foll. orders are confirmed:—

By the officer comdg. the 89th foot, dated July 18 last, appg. Lieut. W. H. Rudall to act as adjt., v. Lieut. R. G. Newbigging.

Kurrachee depot order, dated Nov. 15 last, appg. Lieut. J. J. Martin, 1st battalion 4th foot, paymr. and qrmr., to officiate as adjutant, in addition to his other duties, until further orders, v. Ensign C. L. Methuen.

Sirhind div. order, dated Nov. 16 last, appg. Capt. G. D. Aguilar, late 4th N.I., to general duty at Umballah.

By the officer comdg. the 23rd N.I., dated Nov. 22 last, app. Lieut. F. H. B. Marsh, qrmr., to offic. as wing officer, in addition to his other duties, v. Lieut. W. G. Chalmers.

Darjeeling station order, dated Nov. 22 last, app. Lieut. J. Stevenson, of the 54th foot, to offic. as station staff officer, there being no qualified officer available, v. Capt. S. Murphy.

By Col. D. Pott, comdg. the 7th N.I., dated 2nd ult., directing the foll. arrangements, consequent on his app. to the brigade staff:—

Maj. F. J. Nelson, 2nd in com. and wing officer, to offic. as comdt.

Capt. F. J. Stephenson, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer.

Lieut. F. C. W. Drummond, adjt., to offic. as wing officer, in addition to his other duties.

By the officer comdg. the 3rd Goorkha regt., dated Nov. 22 last, app. Lieut. and offic. qrmr. E. Venour to offic. as adjt., v. Lieut. G. C. Gregory, offic. as wing officer; and Lieut. C. S. Morrison, offic. doing duty officer, to offic. as qrmr. in addition to his other duties, v. Lieut. Venour.

Ouda div. order, dated 8th ult., directing the foll. transfers and appts.:—

By the officer comdg. the 28th N.I., dated the 9th ult., directing the following appts.:—

Lieut. and Brev. Capt. F. Duffin, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in command and wing officer.

Lieut. H. C. T. Jarrett, v.c., adjt., to offic. as wing officer.

By the officer comdg. the 2nd batt. rifle brig., dated the 14th ult., appg. Lieut. H. Lawton, to act as qrmr., v. Lieut. G. H. Verney, prom. to the 3rd battalion.

Benares station order, dated the 17th ult., appg. Surg. T. Maxwell, M.D., art. div., to assume med. charge of the divisional and station staff, v. Asst. surg. A. Lewer, with effect from the 13th idem.

The undermen. officers have leave of absence:—
Royal Artillery.—Capt. H. M. G. Purvis (C baty. 14th brig.), from date of departure from Kamptee, for 1 mo., to Bombay.

11th Foot.—Asst. surg. R. T. Scott (1st batln.), from Nov. 19, to Dec. 15, to remain in Calcutta till embarkation.

12th Foot.—Asst. surg. T. Walsh (2nd battalion), from Nov. 15 to Dec. 27, to remain in Calcutta till embarkation.

20th Foot.—Capt. H. B. Vaughan (1st battalion), from March 10 to June 10, 1866, to England on private affairs, doing duty with troops on the voyage.

23rd Foot.—Lieut. E. M. Roe (1st battalion instructor of musketry), from date of leaving regt. for 1 mo., to Calcutta to appear before a medical board.

71st Foot.—Capt. G. E. Hill, from Dec. 27, to Dec. 28, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

82nd Foot.—Ens. H. W. Nicholson, from date of embarkation to England for 17 mo. on private affairs, doing duty with troops on the voyage.

101st Foot.—Lieut. J. E. Harden, from Nov. 12 to date of embarkation on the *Aliquis*, in ext., to remain in Calcutta for medical treatment.

107th Foot.—Capt. A. L. Nicholson, from Dec. 20 to Jan. 20, to Calcutta, on m.c.

Late 11th N.I.—Capt. T. M. Shelley, from Dec. 28 to Jan. 17, in ext., to Presidency, till embarkation for England.

Late 30th N.I.—Maj. S. Sage, 2nd in com. and wing officer, 37th N.I., from Dec. 10 to Jan. 10, in ext., to Calcutta, prep. to applying for leave to England, on m.c., under new rules.

Major H. E. Jerome, v.c., 19th foot, and Capt. H. Fellowes, staff corps, appointed brigade majors on the establishment in G.G.O. No. 54 of 13th inst., are posted, the former to Jullundur, and the latter to Allahabad.

The undermentioned officers are app. to do duty as specified:—

Majors R. W. Chambers, staff corps, general duty, at Benares; T. C. Darnell, staff corps, general duty, at Allahabad; and T. Pierce, staff corps, general duty, at Moradabad.

Appointments:—

Capt. H. M. Wemyss, brig. major, to officiate as asst. adjt. gen. of the Benares div., during the absence on duty of Major Iremonger, or until further orders, and directed to join forthwith.

Capt. H. Waring, 88th foot, to officiate as brig. major at Lucknow, v. Wemyss.

The undermen. officers were declared by the board of examiners at Fort William to have passed in Hindoostanee on the 8th inst:—

Lieut. G. T. Skipwith, R.E.

Capt. G. V. Fosbery, late 4th Eur. regt.; A. Bruce, late 28th N.I.; and T. E. Webster, late 68rd M.I.

Lieut. H. B. Webster, late 4th European cav., having completed a course of musketry instruction at Hythe, has received a 2nd class certificate.

Capt. A. H. B. Bruce, staff corps, doing duty at Roorkee, is permitted to do duty at the Landour Convalescent Depot during the ensuing hot season.

Veterinary surg. J. Field, recently arrived from sick furl. to Europe, is posted to the 20th hussars, and directed to join.

Orders confirmed:—

By officer comg. 18th N.I., dated 14th ult., making the following appointments, v. Major C. W. Miles, offic. comdt., appointed to another situation, with effect from Nov. 19 last:—

Capt. F. Allen, offic. 2nd in com. and wing officer, to act as comdt.

Lieut. and adjt. A. R. Loughnan, offic. wing officer, to act as 2nd in com. and wing officer, in addition to his other duties.

By the officer comdg. the 3rd N.I., dated 17th ult., appg. Lieut. F. A. Darley, doing duty officer, to officiate as qrmr., in add. to his other duties, v. Lieut. G. T. Jones, late 35th N.I., prom.

By Major H. P. Bishop, comdg. the troops in Camp Synthea, dated 21st ult., appg. Capt. J. Percival, B battery C brig. R.H.A., staff officer to the troops and detachments in camp, in add. to his other duties.

Leave of absence:—

34th Foot.—Ens. J. C. Cowslade, from Nov. 12, 1864, to March 16, 1865, to remain in England on m.c.

Maj. T. E. B. Lees, 2nd in com. and wing officer 31st N.I., is app. to do duty at the Nynsee Tal depot during the ensuing hot season.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Fort St. George, Jan. 24.—J. Ratliff, Esq., civil and sess. judge of Nundial, leave for 15 mo., to proceed to Europe on m.c. This leave is granted in lieu of the special leave for 6 mo. granted to Mr. Ratliff on the 10th inst.

W. Hudleston, Esq., sec. to the board of revenue, priv. leave for 3 mo., from Feb. 2.

W. Morgan, Esq., master of the practising school attached to the Madras Normal School, has passed test laid down for a certificate of high proficiency in Tamil, and the prescribed reward of 750 rupees has been conferred on him by Govt.

Mr. J. Carter, navigation supnt., attached to the 2nd range Godavari dist., has, under orders received from the suptg. engr. 1st div., been dismissed from his appt., for repeated delays in forwarding his accounts and returns, for falsehood and general incompetence.

Major J. Michael, of the staff corps, to be asst. conservator of forests, of the 2nd class, and to have charge of the Annamali range.

Surg. major D. Macfarlane, M.D., garrison surg. of Fort St. George, to act as surg. of the 4th dist., presy., during abs. of Surg. major Porteous on other duty, without prejudice to his duties as garrison surg.

C. N. Pochin, Esq., acting coll. and mag. of Salem, assumed charge of the dist. from Mr. H. S. Thomas on the 20th inst.

Asst. surg. Pearse, R.E., civil surg., Calicut, priv. leave of abs. for 2 mo., Feb. 10 next, or from date of departure.

Lieut. A. F. Laughton, staff corps, sub asst. comy. gen., priv. leave of abs. for 60 days, from date of leaving Secunderabad.

Mr. J. Harraway has leave of abs. for 6 mo., under secs. 12 and 20 of rule 2 of the revised uncovenanted service absentee rules.

The underment gentlemen have been appd. examiners at the approaching exam. of candidates for employ in uncovenanted civil service :—

J. T. Fowler, in English.
Capt. W. E. Edgcome, in English.
J. Bradshaw, in English.
J. Anderson, in English.
Dr. Patterson, in English.
J. Walker, in English.
F. S. Evans, in English.
W. Joyes, in English.
J. Evers, in Tamil.

Jan. 21.—No. 38.—Lieut. W. A. Cheke, 13th N.I., is permitted to proceed to Europe on m.c., for 18 mo., and to embark from Madras.

Lieut. col. A. K. C. Kennedy, of the staff corps, to be a brig. major, to complete the estab.

Capt. G. Dangierfield, of the royal (Madras) art., comy. of ordnance of the 2nd class, to act as comy. of ordnance of the 1st class, during the abs. on m.c. of Major C. H. Harrison.

Capt. C. M. J. Thornton, of the royal (Madras) art., to act as a comy. of ordnance of the 2nd class, v. Capt. Dangierfield.

Sen. Lieut. C. S. B. Walton (capt. in the staff corps), to have the position of capt., 28th N.I., in succ. to Hutchison, dated Jan. 8.

Capt. (brev. major) E. Yates, 28th N.I., to be lieut. col., by brevet, from Jan. 24.

Major W. G. F. A. Hutchinson, Madras staff corps, is, under instructions from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State, placed on the retired list on the pension of a capt., with effect from Jan. 8.

Capt. (brevet major) F. Mardall, 16th N.I.; the appt. notified in G.O.G., Jan. 31, 1862, No. 51, of this officer, as dep. judge advocate gen., is to have retrospective effect from Oct. 1, 1861.

Lieut. C. Campbell, 25th N.I., is permitted to proc. to Eur., on m.c., for 20 mo., to embark from Madras.

Capt. (brevet major) F. Mardall, 16th N.I., dep. judge adv. gen., ceded dists., having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provisions of para. 2 G.O.G.G., No. 531 of 1864, republished in Madras G.O.G., July 22, 1864, No. 276, is admitted thereto from Oct. 1, 1861, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India.

The underment officers having completed 26 years' service, 8 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be lieut. cols. from Jan. 24, under the royal warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval :—
Major J. E. Mayne, Major F. J. Goldsmid.

No. 40.—Lieut. J. P. Warlow, staff corps, asst. supnt. of police, 1st class, is permitted to proc. to Eur. on m.c. for 15 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark for Madras.

Sen. Lieut. T. M. McDonell to be capt., 6th L.C., v. Wood, dec., dated Nov. 30, 1864.

Lieut. T. S. M. Robinson to be capt., 21st N.I., by brevet, from Jan. 26.

Capt. R. Cox, H.M.'s 38th Madras N.I., is permitted to proc. to Australia with leave of abs. for 20 mo., on m.c.

Capt. (brevet major) J. F. A. Plant, 4th N.I., is, under the authority of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, placed on the retired list on an annuity of £100, from Feb. 1.

Lieut. (brevet capt.) R. A. Walters, cadre 50th N.I., doing duty 33rd N.I., is granted an ext. of leave from Dec. 14 to 28, 1864, to enable him to join from leave to Europe.

The underment officers are permitted to proc. to Europe :—

Lieut. col. F. J. B. Priestly, of the staff corps, supnt. of rev. surv., on m.c., for 15 mo., and to embark from Madras.

Major T. Angelo, of Bengal invalid estab., is permitted to proc. to the Cape of Good Hope on m.c. for 2 years, and to embark from Madras.

Surg. major W. W. Heude, M.D., civil surg. Nagpore, on furl. for 3 years, and to embark from Bombay.

Jan. 27.—Lieut. R. J. McGhee, 6th N.I., doing duty 4th inf. Hyderabad contingent, having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provisions of para. 2 of G.O.G.G. No. 531 of 1864, republished in Madras G.O.G., July 22, 1864, No. 276, is admitted thereto from Sept. 9, 1862, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India.

Lieut. T. G. Clarke having completed 12 years' service, 4 of which were on perm. staff employ, to be capt. from Jan. 26, under the royal warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Lieut. col. W. M. Money, 31st Madras L.I., is perm. to proc. to Eur. on leave of abs. on m.c. for 2 years.

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Bombay Castle, Jan. 27.—No. 51.—The following officers are allowed furl. to Eur. for 20 mo. on m.c. :
Major R. P. Warden, staff corps, acting paym. N. div.

Capt. N. B. Thoys, staff corps, wing officer H.M.'s 2nd regt. N.I. (grenadiers).

Surg. J. Mills.

No. 52.—Lieut. P. H. Greig, gen. list, attached to the 22nd regt. N.I., is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 18 mo., on m.c., from Jan. 17, the date of his departure from Point de Galle.

Jan. 30.—No. 54.—Lieut. col. R. L. Taylor, C.B., staff corps, is permitted to retire from the service on the pension of a capt.

Jan. 31.—No. 57.—Surg. J. Y. Smith, M.D., is appt. examiner of medical accounts, v. Surg. major T. B. Johnstone.

No. 58.—The services of Lieut. F. W. Major, roy. art., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India, for employment in the Mysore survey.

No. 59.—The underment officer having completed 26 years' service, 8 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be lieut. col. from the date specified, under the royal warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval :—
Major (brevet lieut. col.) R. Phayre, Jan. 26.

No. 60.—The following prom. is made, subject to H.M.'s approval :—
1st Regt. L.C.—Lieut. F. Stephens to be capt., from May 31, 1864, v. Heath, transf. to the 20th hussars.

No. 61.—With reference to G.O. No. 587, Nov. 29, 1864, the date of Lieut. Greenfield's admission to the staff corps, should be Jan. 1, 1864, and not March 24, as therein stated.

Feb. 1.—The serv. of Lieut. W. Scott, adjt. of the 19th regt. N.I., are placed at the disp. of the resident at Baroda, with a view to his being employed as boundary settlement officer in the Sathpoora hills.

Jan. 27.—The Hon. the Gov. in Council is pleased to confirm the apps. made by the Hon. the Chief Justice of Mr. C. D. Bentley, to be first dep. registrar at the original side of the High Court, from Nov. 24, 1864; and of Mr. L. A. Watkins, to be second dep. registrar in the third court, from the 23rd inst.

Feb. 1.—Mr. J. H. Grant, first asst. coll. and magis. of Ahmednuggur, is invested with the powers of a magis. in the Ahmednuggur district.

Mr. A. H. Spry, acting first asst. coll. and magis. of Kandeish, is invested with the powers of a magis. in the Kandeish district.

H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to re-invest Maj. F. S. Hewett, superint. of bazaars at Sholapoor, from Dec. 1, 1864, with the powers of a magis. in Poona.

The Hon. the Gov. in Council is pleased to confirm Mr. H. E. Leeke as 2nd magis. of police from the date of Mr. N. Oliver's confirmation as sen. magis. of police.

Mr. J. C. Hall, asst. superint., Guzerat survey, is invested with the powers of a subord. magis. of the 1st class.

Jan. 26.—ERRATA.—In the Government notification, revenue dept., dated Jan. 25, 1865, regarding the appt. of Mr. J. R. Daniel, for the word "Kuladghee" read "Dharwar." In the Government notification, revenue dept., dated Jan. 25, 1865, for "Mr. T. Major to officiate as asst. comsnr. of customs, &c.," read "Mr. T. Major to officiate on full salary as asst. comsnr. of customs, &c."

Jan. 28.—The services of Mr. C. W. Bell, Bombay civil service, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India for employment in the Central Provinces.

Jan. 30.—Mr. S. Tyndall, depy. coll. and mag. of Shikarpoor, is allowed an extension of leave for 1 mo., on m.c., under Section XI. of the revised uncovenanted service absentee rules.

Jan. 31.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following appts. :—

Mr. J. G. White, 1st asst. to the coll. and mag. at Ahmednuggur, to be 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Khandeish, and to continue to act as sub-coll. and mag. of Broach from the date of Mr. Sheppard's departure on furlough to Europe.

Mr. J. H. Grant to be 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Ahmednuggur.

Mr. A. H. Spry to act as 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Khandeish.

Mr. H. Miles, asst. comsnr. of customs, salt, and opium, is allowed priv. leave of absence for 3 mo., under Section XVI. of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

Feb. 1.—The appointment of Mr. W. H. Bolton, as 1st class deputy coll. of Jacobabad, in Sind, is to have effect from Dec. 23.

Jan. 28.—Asst. surg. C. W. Fettes, M.D., has been appointed surg. to H.E. the Gov., v. Asst. surg. Stedman, from the 13th inst.

Feb. 1.—Asst. surgs. C. Johnson and W. A. Shepherd have passed the prescribed examination in Hindoostanee according to the staff test.

Asst. surg. J. Cruickshank received charge of the civil medical duties of Dharwar from Asst. surg. E. H. R. Langley on the 24th ult.

Mr. J. M. T. Powell is appointed a 1st class asst. engr. from the date on which he ceased to perform the duties of special asst. engr., Canara.

Lieut. col. De Lisle, R.E., superintg. engr. presidency div., assumed charge of the office of president of the Rampart Removal Committee on Dec. 16.

The Hon. W. R. Cassels, Esq., having consented to act as a member of the Rampart Removal Committee, is appointed a member accordingly.

Jan. 28.—Major W. C. Lester, staff corps, is appointed educational inspector southern div., v. Capt. T. Waddington.

Mr. W. Draper, asst. educational inspector, C.D., has been allowed priv. leave of absence for 1 mo., under Section XVI. of the revised Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

Asst. surg. A. N. Hojel is appointed professor of anatomy and physiology, and curator of the museum, Grant Medical College, v. Asst. surg. J. Mackenzie.

Jan. 31.—Mr. J. E. C. Pryce, 1st asst. master attendant, is permitted to proceed to England, on m.c., with leave of absence for 15 mo., from date of departure.

Consequent on the above, the following arrangement is to take place in the master attendant's department :—

Mr. W. G. Corke, 2nd asst. master attendant, to be acting 1st asst. master attendant.

No. 18.—The leave granted to Asst. surg. Johnson, civil surg., Kaira, in notification No. 121 of Dec. 14, is changed to 3 mo. priv. leave.

Jan. 28.—H.E. the Gov. of Bombay has been pleased to nominate J. S. White, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to be an additional member of H.E.'s Council, for the purpose of making laws and regulations only, from Jan. 28.

Feb. 4.—No. 67.—Lieut. J. M. Boyd, staff corps, qmr. 11th regt. N.I., has furlough to Europe for 2 years, under new furlough regulations.

Feb. 6.—No. 69.—Promotion.—Lieut. (capt. in staff corps) W. Dickinson to have position of captain from Dec. 20 last, v. Capt. and brevet major Alban (staff corps), deceased.

No. 70.—The services of Lieut. W. Scott have been placed at the disposal of the Resident at Baroda for employment as boundary settlement officer in the Sathpoora hills.

No. 71.—Major W. C. Lester, staff corps, has been app. educational inspector, Southern division.

Feb. 7.—No. 72.—Asst. surg. A. N. Hojel has been app. professor of anatomy and physiology, and curator of the museum, Grant Medical College.

No. 73.—The undermentioned officers having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be majors from Feb. 3, 1865, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval :—
Captains G. E. Thomas and W. Creagh.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

Feb. 8.—No. 75.—The following despatch from her Majesty's principal Secy. of State for India, No. 132, dated Dec. 24, 1864, is published for general information :—

1. With a view of assimilating, as nearly as possible, the system under which officers of her Majesty's Indian forces are subjected to medical examination with that which obtains in the British service at home, her Majesty's Government have, in communication with H.E. the Field Marshal C. in C., arranged for the formation of a board of medical officers, to be composed of a president, being the present consulting physician to this office, and two members, one to be appointed from among the officers of the Indian medical service who may be on leave in this country and the other to be an officer of the British medical dept., nominated by the Horse Guards.

2. I request that you will cause it to be notified in general orders that, in future, it will be necessary for all officers of her Majesty's Indian army, or of the several staff corps, being on leave in Europe, who may desire to appear before the medical board, with a view of obtaining such certificates as the regulations of the service may require in their several

cases, to apply for permission to do so to the military department of this office.

No. 78.—Staff.—The undermentioned officers, having completed 20 years' service, to be majors, by brevet, from date specified, under para. 69 of the despatch from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, No. 194, dated June 17, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Capt. R. W. Richardest, 10th N.I.; Feb. 8, 1865.

Capt. J. Miles, staff corps; Feb. 8, 1865.

Capt. J. Miles, cadre 3rd European regt.; Feb. 3, 1865.

No. 79.—The following promotions are made, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

3rd Regt. B.C.—Lieut. (brev. capt.) A. T. Moore, v.c., to be capt., from Nov. 24, v. Capt. (major in the staff corps) Buckle, ret.

Inf.—Senior Major C. Hodgkinson, 28th regt. N.I., to be lieut. col., from Nov. 21, v. Coley, ret.

28th Regt. N.I.—Capt. (brev. maj.) J. D. Williams, to be maj., and Lieut. (capt. in the staff corps) A. C. Way, to have the position of captain, from Nov. 21, in succession to Hodgkinson, prom.

18th Regt. N.I.—Capt. (brev. lieut. col.) J. J. Combe, to be major, and Lieut. (capt. in the staff corps) P. A. Elphinstone, to have the position of capt., from Jan. 30, v. Maj. (lieut. col. in the staff corps) Taylor, ret.

Feb. 2.—Mr. F. Lloyd is appd. judge and session judge of Dharwar from Nov. 7, 1864.

Feb. 8.—Capt. Bartholomew, asst. supt. of police at Sattara, is allowed leave of abs. for 15 days, under clause 39 of the new furl. rules.

Feb. 6.—Messrs. G. H. D. Wilson and A. C. Watt, of the civil service, passed the departmental exam. according to the 1st standard on Jan. 10.

Feb. 8.—Mr. H. Bulkley is confirmed in the appt. of insp. in chief cotton dept., under Act IX. of 1863, from the date of the transfer of Mr. E. W. Ravenscroft to the appt. of coll. of Bombay.

Mr. M. J. M. S. Stewart, coll. of Canara, is allowed leave of abs. for 6 mo. to proceed to England, from the date of sailing of the 1st steamer in May.

Feb. 7.—Mr. A. D. Robertson, sec. to Govt. in the revenue, financial, and general depts., has been allowed, by H.M.'s princ. Sec. of State for India in Council, an ext. for six mo., on m.c., of the leave of absence granted to him by this Govt. on July 13, 1864.

Feb. 6.—Lieut. T. F. Dowden, R.E., is appd. to act as under sec. to Govt. in the public works dept., as a temporary arrangement.

Feb. 8.—Lieut. T. F. Dowden, R.E., assumed charge of his app. as acting under sec. to Govt., public works dept., on Feb. 7.

Lieuts. A. L. Buckle and C. S. Beauchamp, R.E., are appd. prob. asst. engrs. in the public works dept.

Asst. surg. C. Joynt received charge of the duties of professor of midwifery in the Grant Military College, on the 25th ult.

Asst. surg. H. F. McGrath performed the duties of professor of midwifery in the Grant Medical College from 1st to 25th ult.

Maj. W. Southey, dep. coll. of Jerruck, has been appd. offg. educational insp. in Sind during the absence of Mr. J. G. More on leave for six mo. to Eur.

Rev. R. F. Colvin, sen. chaplain, Church of Scotland, has been perm. by H.M.'s Govt. to retire from the service from Nov. 21.

Lieut. col. A. de Lisle, R.E., to offic. as consulting engr. for railways, continuing to perform his duties as suptg. engr., pres. div.

Capt. Handcock, R.E., to be dep. consulting engr., railway dept., and to take charge of the Bombay and Baroda line.

Lieut. W. Merriman, R.E., received charge of his app. as acting dep. consulting engr., railway dept., on the 7th inst.

Col. H. Rivers, consulting engr., railway dept., is allowed leave of absence for 2 mo., from the 11th inst.

Camp Tanna, Feb. 3.—Mr. Cotton is app. a municipal comr. of the town of Julgaum.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

TOUR OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Adj. Gen.'s Office, Head Qrs., Bombay, Feb. 6.—The C. in C. will proceed on a tour of inspection to Scinde, leaving Bombay about the 10th inst. His Excellency will be accompanied by the quartermaster general of the army, the assistant adjutant general of the army, and his personal staff. The correspondence of the army to be addressed to head quarters, Poona, as heretofore.

Feb. 8.—No.—143.—Lieut. G. Bannister, cadre 16th regt. N.I., is attached to 7th regt. N.I.

No. 145.—Leave of absence:—

Brev. col. W. Wilby, 1st batt. 4th foot, from Feb. 7 to 14, to Bombay, prep. to proc. to England.

Brev. maj. H. Foster, 95th foot, from Feb. 1 to Feb. 28, to Ghizree, on m.c.

Lieut. S. A. Smith, 17th regt. N.I., from Feb. 1 to 28, in ext.

Lieut. W. S. Nugent, 103rd foot, from Feb. 1 to 28, in ext.

Lieut. F. W. Bean, staff corps, doing duty officer 6th regt. N.I., from Feb. 1 to 28.

Feb. 2.—The undermen. officers returned to duty, by permission of the Secretary of State for India, on Jan. 29, 1865:—

Lieut. col. J. T. Walker, R.E.

Major J. P. Sandwith, staff corps.

Capt. A. Hawthorn, 9th regt. N.I.

BIRTHS.

ADAMS—At Newera Ellia, Ceylon, Jan. 17, the wife of Peter Adams, Esq., of Bombay, of a daughter.

BARKER—At Mazagon, Feb. 7, the wife of Mr. W. G. Barker, Foreman Joiner P. and O. Company's service, of a son.

BEST—At Malabar-hill, Jan. 28, the wife of William James Best, of a daughter.

BRIGGS—At Mhow, Jan. 24, the wife of Major H. T. Briggs, 6th Regiment, N.I., prematurely of a daughter, stillborn.

BUSK—At Umballa, Jan. 22, the wife of Major A. L. Busk, of a daughter.

BURRIDGE—At Agra, on the morning of the 5th current, the wife of W. E., Sudder Court-office, of a son.

CLAY—At Mhow, Jan. 24, the wife of Capt. T. S. Clay, Royal Bombay Fusiliers, of a son.

CUTLER—At Grant-road, Bombay, Jan. 30, the wife of R. J. Morley Cutler, Esq., Broker, of a daughter.

DUNSFORD—At Benares, on the 30th Dec., the wife of Brigadier-general H. F., c.b., of a daughter.

EGERTON—At Dhurmsala, on the 27th Jan., the wife of P., b.c.s., of a daughter.

FITZGERALD—At Akola, Jan. 27th, the wife of Lieut. J., assist.-commissioner N. Berar, of a daughter.

GOODE—Jan. 27th, the wife of W. H., of a daughter.

HAMILTON—At 31, Middle Colaba, Bombay, Feb. 5, the wife of W. H., of a son.

HILL—At Saugor, on the 20th Jan., the wife of Captain H. S., 97th Regt., of a son.

KING—At Nazeerah, Upper Assam, on the 23rd Jan., the wife of H. O., accountant to the Assam Company, of a son.

MANKIEWICZ—On board the P. and O. Co.'s steamer *Moulton*, at Aden, Jan. 8th, the wife of S., of a son.

MOSES—February 4th, at Bycullah, the wife of Mr. M. S. Moses, of a son.

NEWMAN—February 1st, at Cochin, Malabar Coast, the wife of Francis Newman, Esq., of a daughter.

PAUL—At 36, Chowringhee, on the 24th January, the wife of G. C. Paul, Esq., of a daughter.

PYE—January 29th, at Marine Lines, Esplanade, Bombay, the wife of Lieutenant Pye, of a daughter.

PEAKE—At Sanawur, on the 6th February, the wife of G. C. Peake, Esq., of a son.

QUIN—At Simla, on the 26th Jan., the wife of Captain H. E. Quin, D.A.Q.M.G., of a son.

SCULTHORPE—At Agra, on the 28th Jan., the wife of Mr. William Sculthorpe, of a daughter.

TERNAN—At Oran, on the 2nd Feb., the wife of Lt.-Colonel Ternan, of a daughter.

TYLER—At Bareilly, Jan. 24, the wife of Sergeant J. Tyler, Army Commissariat Department, of a daughter.

TRACY—At Cawnpore, Jan. 22, the wife of T. B. Tracy, Esq., c.s., of a son.

WATSON—At Peshawur, Jan. 21, the wife of Major Watson, 13th Bengal Lancers, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

ANDRADI—CABRAL—At the Cathedral of our Lady of Rosary, at Mazagon, Bombay, Jan. 23, Mr. John Victor Andradi, to Miss Rosa Maria Cabral, the daughter of the late F. X. Cabral, Chief Inspector of the Custom-house.

BARCHARD—SIDDALL—At Buxar, Jan. 26, Major C. H. Barchard, c.b., H.M.'s Indian Army, to Ann, youngest daughter of the late J. Siddall, Esq., of the Royal Horse Guards Blue.

CAMA—CURSETJEE—At Bombay, Feb. 1, C. R. Cama, Esq., J.P., to Amy, eldest daughter of Manockjee Cursetjee, Esq., Judge, Bombay Court of Small Causes.

COLLIS—GRANT—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, Jan. 25, Stephen Edward Collis, Esq., to Sophie Thomson, second daughter of the late Rev. F. W. Grant, A.M., of Banff, Scotland.

FLANAGAN—MURRAY—January 30th, at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, Bombay, Mr. John Walter Flanagan, to Bridget, daughter of Mr. Thomas Murray, Bombay Custom House.

FRANCIS—KIRKE—At Deyrah, on the 25th Jan., George E. Francis, Captain, 20th Foot, to Kathleen Margaret, youngest daughter of the late Major Henry Kirke, H.E.L.C.S.

MACDONALD—MACKENZIE—At Mozufferpore, Jan. 23, Lachlan MacDonald, Esq., of Dooriah, Tirhoot, to Wilhelmina Felicia, third daughter of J. MacKenzie, Esq., late of Jeetwarpore.

MCLEOD—PORTEOUS—January 18th, at St. George's Cathedral, Madras, Captain William Sim McLeod, 1st Madras Light Cavalry, A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor, to Charlotte Ludwig, youngest daughter of H. W. Porteous, Esq., Surgeon Major, Madras Army.

PARKER—HUMPHRYS—At St. Paul's Church, on Jan. 26, Commodore C. Parker, to Mrs. Anne Humphrys, widow of Capt. C. Humphrys.

RANKING—WILLIAMS—At Secunderabad, on Feb. 2, William Lancaster, eldest son of Surg.-maj. J. L. Ranking, M.D., R.A., to Jane Fanny, eldest daughter of Lieut.-col. W. T. Williams, 32nd Regt. N.I.

SMITH—SMITH—At Chinsurah, on Feb. 1, James Smith, Esq., Shapbore Factory, Tirhoot, to Mary Stuart Ross MacKenzie, youngest daughter of the late William Stuart Smith, Esq., of Calcutta.

THOY—DEPENNING—At Christ Church, Hyderabad, on Feb. 1, Mr. John Thoy, F.W.D., of Bolaram, to Emmeline, second daughter of Mr. Joseph Depenning.

YOUNG—KNIGHT—At Trinity Church, Allahabad, on Jan. 18, E. G. Young, Esq., Deputy Inspector Oude Customs, to Miss Amelia Elizabeth Knight.

RENNARD—RODYK—At Bombay, on Feb. 11, William Rennard, commander of the ship *Water Witch*, to Margaret Rodyk.

DEATHS.

BASEVI—William A. Basevi, Esq., district engineer of Benares, on board the steamer *Bengal*, on his voyage to England, Feb. 7.

BORGES—Jan. 29, at Cavel, Domingos Francisco, son of the late Joseph Antonio Borges.

BROWN—Jan. 28, at Poona, of measles, Harriett, child of John and Elizabeth Brown (Lieutenant 7th N.I.)

BRYAN—Jan. 23, at Kangra, William Bryan, son of Conductor J. Gillmore, Army Commissariat Department, aged 8 years.

COLYEAR—Jan. 30, at Newlands, Simla, the beloved wife of Lieutenant-colonel T. D. Colyear, of the retired list.

GRANT—Feb. 2, Robert Grant, Esq., aged 44.

GOUGH—Feb. 11, Jane I., eldest daughter of Henry Beresford Gough, reporter *Times of India*.

HANNAH—Jan. 3, at 3, Grant-buildings, Colaba, William, second son of the late Lieut. J. Hannah, asst. of Mr. S. D. Esperance.

HAY—Jan. 29, at Mhow, James G., the son of Sub-conductor James Hay, of the Ordnance Dept.

JONES—Jan. 23, at the Calcutta Club, of small-pox, W. H. W. Jones, Esq., C.E., aged 26 years.

MACGREGOR—Jan. 24, at Alipore, A. M. MacGregor, Esq., of the Bengal Civil Service.

MAUDE—Jan. 15, at Aden, E. DeM., infant son of Col. E. Maude, comg. 109th foot.

MURRAY—Jan. 12, at Suez, J. C. Murray, officer P. and O. Co.'s service.

PEACOCK—At Bankipore, Patna, Jan. 28, Eliza, the wife of W. A. Peacock, Esq., of Burpore.

ROURKE—At Umritsur, Jan. 21, Conductor Michael Rourke, Barrackmaster.

ROBINSON—At Fort Kangra, Jan. 22, Ens. George Robinson, 91th Regt., aged 22.

SINCLAIR—At Belgaum, Feb. 3, Caroline, the wife of George Sinclair.

WATSON—Jan. 24, at Aden, T. Watson, Esq., harbour master and conservator of the port, Aden, aged about 46 years.

WHITBY—Feb. 3, at the European General Hospital, Arthur George Whitby, late clerk, aged 22 years.

WATT—Charles E. G. Watt, captain of the frigate *Bird*, son of the late Major Alexander Watt, H.E.L. Co.'s service, at Teekalet, Puget Sound, N.W. coast of America, Dec. 19.

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ALLEN'S INDIAN MAIL,

FRIDAY, March 10, 1865.

BRITISH RULE IN THE PUNJAB.

ONE of the most distinguished scholars in the great Punjab school of Indian statesmen has lately quitted his sphere of long usefulness to enjoy, at least for a time, a refined and lettered repose in his native land. When on the very point of resigning the reins of office to his successor, Sir Robert Montgomery resolved, in a happy moment, to draw up a brief record of the salient points of his six years' successful administration. The area of the province subject to his sway is estimated at about 10,000 square miles, and its population at fifteen millions, or one-half of that of the British Isles, and this without including several independent States in close political relationship with that satrapy. The loyalty of the Punjabees during the Sepoy War is matter of history; but what most sorely tried their attachment to the British Government was not so much the defection of our native army as their own discharge on the restoration of tranquillity. But even through that ordeal they passed to the perfect satisfaction of their rulers, no doubt, as Sir Robert frankly admits, in consequence of the liberal treatment then meted out to them—a gratuity of three to twelve months' pay, according to length of service, being given to the privates, while small allotments of land were bestowed upon their native officers. And the number of men trained to war who had to return to the monotonous pursuits of an agricultural life was really very considerable. In 1857 the native force in the Punjab was 58,870 strong, but by 1863 it had been reduced to 25,088. For all that, the internal tranquillity of the province has never for a moment been disturbed, while against the barbarians beyond the frontier the Sikh soldiery have ever acquitted themselves in a manner worthy of their martial renown. On the Derajat border the regular force has been supplemented by a body of militia mustering 217 bayonets and 403 sabres, and much benefit has been derived from their intimate knowledge of the adjacent hill country and the passes that lead into it.

The Pathan tribes inhabiting the Peshawur and Kohat Valleys are described as enjoying a large measure of material prosperity, and it is regretted that there are no adequate funds for constructing roads and works of irrigation in the Trans-Indus districts. So sensible are the people themselves of the value of such improvements, that in the lower Derajat some of the Belooch chiefs entertain a desire to make canals at their own expense.

The revenue for 1863-64 shows an increase of nearly half a million sterling over that of 1858-59, and amounted to £3,093,238. This grand total was made up as follows:—

Land-tax	£1,973,933
Spirits, drugs, and opium ...	54,338
Salt and Customs	748,300
Canal revenue	85,467
Assessed taxes	51,653
Stamps	103,349
Miscellaneous	66,198
	£3,093,238

And not only has there been a steady increase of revenue, but it has taken place in a manner that indicates improvement in the material comforts of the inhabitants. The land-tax, for instance, in 1863-64 yielded £120,000 more than it did in 1858-59, while salt and Customs exhibited an increase of a quarter of a million, and the canal revenue of £46,500. On the other hand, the expenditure amounted to £1,638,150, exclusive of military charges other than for buildings. Law and, as a rule, justice, are proverbially cheap and expeditious in the Punjab. The procedure under the Civil Code has hitherto been as simple as possible, but Sir Robert Montgomery is of opinion that "the time has now come for the gradual introduction of a more precise procedure and a more elaborate judicial system." He therefore recommends the appointment of an English barrister to the post of second Judicial Commissioner, with power to try and punish European British subjects. This object, however, is likely to be better attained by the establishment of a branch of the High Court, as moved in the Viceroy's Council by the Hon. Mr. Cust. Within the last few years Small Cause Courts have been introduced into the Punjab with very beneficial effects, and in the towns of Lahore and Umritsur the Honorary Native Magistrates are said to have rendered great assistance to the regular Stipendiary Magistrates. The appointment of a Municipal Committee in each considerable town has been found to work exceedingly well, and as an example of native spirit and energy, Sir Robert cites the conversion, in the space of one year, into spacious public gardens, of the unsightly moat that girdled the city of Lahore. But far beyond all such exceptional efforts, Sir Robert wisely looks for "the real and stable benefits of the measure in the gra-

dual training of the wealthier citizens to the transaction of business apart from their own private interests, and in the greater public spirit which this must engender."

The Police charges have been reduced from £446,100 in 1859, to £260,000, chiefly, through the abolition of the Military Police, and without in any way impairing the efficiency of the force. On the contrary, the native gentlemen frankly admit that the executive police are not only less oppressive, but also more efficient than was formerly the case. There is now, a closer and more frequent European supervision, so that cases of torture or extortion have become almost impossible. As a detective police, the present force are quite equal to their predecessors, and if inferior in any point it is only from a military point of view; but for all civil purposes they are sufficiently well drilled and disciplined, and instead of being a danger, are a real assistance to the Government.

The operations of the Educational Department were first extended to the Punjab in 1856-57, since when the annual expenditure has increased from less than £13,000 to upwards of £59,000, and the number of schools from 565 to 2,733, and of scholars from 6,177 to 86,292. And a particularly hopeful feature of this movement, is the fact that there are now 522 female schools, containing 10,058 girls, of which 313 schools, with 5,499 female pupils, are managed by native gentlemen. There cannot be two opinions as to the immense good likely to arise if women be permitted to take their proper place in the social system, but Sir Robert Montgomery wisely cautions his late subordinates from too great eagerness in forcing on this innovation. "The reformation," he writes, "is one so wrapped up with domestic interests that I would willingly see it unfold itself, even with some slowness, so that it may at last grow into the full proportions of a permanent and national institution."

The independent or quasi-independent States with whom the Government of the Punjab holds direct political communication are those of Afghanistan, Jummoo, Cashmere, Bhawalpoor, Putiala, Jheend, Nabha, and Kupoorthulla. Diplomatic relations with these princes are entirely conducted by means of native agents, who discharge their duties with zeal, fidelity, and intelligence, and at an aggregate annual cost of less than £8,000.

On the construction of roads and canals the late Lieutenant-governor dwells with justifiable complacency. The completion of the Baree Doab Canal, after an expenditure of well-nigh one million sterling, and of the Grand Trunk Road from Delhi to Peshawur, a distance of 582 miles; the opening of the Lahore and Umritsur Rail-

way; and the approximate opening of the line to Mooltan; the commencement of a tunnel under the Indus, and the general improvement of all existing roads and means of transport; the development of tea-planting in the Kangra Valley; the encouragement given to sericulture at Peshawur, to flax-growing at Sealkote, to the breeding of horses, and to agriculture in general—are public works of the greatest importance, and of the highest value to the State, and over all these objects Sir Robert Montgomery has directed an enlightened and unflagging supervision. Neither has he laboured among an ungrateful people. While the industrial classes regard him as one of their truest benefactors, the chiefs and gentry at large regret the departure of a generous and large-hearted ruler, who pitied their past misfortunes, and not only treated them with unvarying courtesy and consideration, but availed himself of every opportunity to assist them in recovering something of their former rank and influence.

BOOKS.

The Route of the Indus, and the Advance of Russia towards India. A Letter to W. P. Andrew, Esq. By an Officer of Thirteen Years' Service in the Punjab. W. H. Allen and Co.

The necessity of completing the great chain of communication between Calcutta and Kurrachee is so obvious that it seems almost a work of supererogation to write a single line in its favour. The East India Railway will at no distant period connect Calcutta with Delhi, without a single break. From the Imperial City a line has already been commenced, to run by way of Meerut, Moozuffernugger, Saharunpore, Umballa, Loodianah, and Jullunder to Umritsir, a distance of 310 miles. Between the last-named city and Lahore a short line, 32 miles in length, was opened for traffic at the end of 1862, and it is expected that in the course of the present month a continuous railway communication will exist between Lahore and Mooltan, a further distance of 220 miles. At this point, however, there occurs a break of 570 miles, in which the absence of an iron road is indifferently supplied by the Indus Steam Flotilla. Not that there is any fault to be found with the vessels employed by that company, except that they are inadequate to meet the vast requirements of the rapidly-increasing traffic between Mooltan and Kotree, the upper terminus of the Scinde Railway. The object, then, of the letter before us is to enlist the powerful influence and unconquerable energies of the chairman of the Scinde and Euphrates Valley Railways, so that no time be lost in forging the "missing link" to complete the iron road of 2,200 miles that will one day unite the Bay of Bengal with the Arabian Sea. The writer, who is evidently well acquainted with the subject he has taken in hand, proposes that a bridge be thrown across the Indus opposite Kotree, and that the line be carried

up the left bank of the river, crossing the Sutlej above its confluence with the Chenab at Jelalpore. "This line," he says, "would be the shortest, the cheapest for construction, and would present the fewest engineering difficulties. This line, too, would provide for the traffic of which Hyderabad is the emporium, and would afford facilities for subsequently connecting Kurrachee and Bombay by a railway *via* Omercote and Deesa. Moreover, this line would be the safest, protected by the river from any depredations from border tribes on the opposite side." These are, undoubtedly, strong recommendations, and must carry great weight with the enterprising capitalists who may be induced to accomplish this certainly useful, and probably remunerative, undertaking. There can be no question, however, as to the propriety and wisdom of the course adopted by the advocate of this line, in endeavouring to obtain the support of one of the most zealous and successful promoters of Indian railways. If Mr. Andrew can be prevailed upon to give his aid to the completion of railway communication between Kurrachee and Calcutta, the question may be looked upon as already settled.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—FEB. 28.

Petitions were presented by Colonel SYKES, from Brevet-Major V. Shortland, 24th Regiment Madras Native Cavalry, Major R. H. Sankey, of the Royal Madras Engineers, Brevet-Captain A. I. Searle, 32nd Regiment Madras Native Infantry, complaining of the arrangements of the Secretary of State for India for reorganizing the Indian Army; by Mr. TORRENS, from Captain W. Blount, 7th Madras Native Infantry, Captain E. H. Chambers, of the 30th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, to the same effect.

INDIAN CIVIL SERVICE.

Mr. A. MILLS gave notice that this day month (March 28) he should call attention to the existing regulations for competitive examinations for the Civil Service in India.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 1.

Petitions complaining of injuries to their prospects in consequence of the arrangements for reorganizing the Indian army were presented, by Lord R. MONTAGU, from Brigadier-General A. Tucker, C.B., of the Bengal Cavalry; Lieutenant F. F. J. Toke, of the late 63rd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; Lieutenant George Young, of the late 66th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; by Colonel SYKES, from Captain W. H. White, of the 49th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Captain John S. Stewart, of the 39th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Lieutenant P. A. van Homrigh, 23rd Regiment Madras Light Infantry; Captain Bruce, of the 23rd Regiment Bombay Infantry; Captain John Barnes, of the late 3rd European Regiment; and from Lieutenant John Gatacre, of the 23rd Regiment Bombay Native Infantry.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 3.

Petitions praying for redress for violation of rights were presented by Colonel SYKES, from Brevet Major (C. T. Bradley, 24th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Brevet-Captain H. C. B. Barnett, 44th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Lieutenant C. Chambers, 19th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. E. CRAUFORD, from Captain James R. Fulton, late 46th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Brevet-Major H. D. Faulkner, 42nd Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr.

ADAM, from Captain Seafeld Grant, late 47th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Lieutenant L. B. Bance, late 47th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieutenant Cosmo Gordon, 46th Regiment Madras Native Infantry.

INDIAN STAFF APPOINTMENT.

Mr. TORRENS begged to ask the noble lord the Under Secretary for War the question standing in his name upon the paper. The terms of the question were "whether the noble lord would lay up the table a list of officers who had been seconded or made supernumerary in the Indian Artillery because of employment in miscellaneous staff appointments, in conformity with the despatch of the Secretary of State for India, No. 61, dated February 29, 1864, which was concurred in by the Secretary of State for War and his Royal Highness the Field-Marshal Commanding-in-Chief; and, in the event of the instructions therein contained not having been carried into effect, would he give the reasons for delay in obeying them?"

The Marquis of HARTINGTON said the papers referred to would appear in the *Gazette* in a few days, and, therefore, he did not think it would be necessary to lay them upon the table. The change which had taken place was consequent upon a long correspondence between the Home Government and the Government of India.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 6.

Petitions from officers of the Indian army, complaining of grievances, and praying for redress, were presented by Mr. W. MILLER, from Captain John Allen, late 9th Regiment; Captain Gordon Cavenagh, late 39th Regiment; and Captain H. A. Cockburn, 53rd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; by Mr. CARGILL, from Major-general T. F. Fleming, Bengal Army; by Mr. CRUM-EWING, from Brevet-Major R. H. Price, 12th Bengal, and Captain M. J. White, late 26th Bengal Native Infantry; by Mr. P. URQUHART, from Captain Edwin Thomas, 39th Bengal, and Captain L. H. P. De H. Larpent, late 21st Bengal Native Infantry; by Mr. FARRER, from Captain R. Farrer, of the Indian Army; and by Colonel SYKES, from Major-general T. B. Boileau, late Bengal Artillery; Brevet-Captain T. N. Baker, late 31st Bengal, and Captain F. T. Bainbridge, late 64th Bengal Native Infantry.

NATIVE ARTILLERY IN INDIA.

Mr. VANSITTART asked the Secretary of State for India when it was determined to re-employ native artillery in India, which, by a return just issued, amounted to 2,052 men; how many of the 68,336 European troops in India were artillery; and whether he proposed to maintain the disproportionate strength of 68,336 Europeans as against 274,713 native troops, native police, and other native organised levies?

Sir C. WOOD said his hon. friend seemed to be under some misapprehension as to the re-employment of native artillery in India. Certain portions of the native artillery had never been discontinued.

Mr. VANSITTART: Not since the mutiny?

Sir C. WOOD: No. The commission which sat in this country recommended that the artillery attached to the army in India should consist of Europeans; exceptions, however, being made in the case of particular stations where it was inexpedient to employ Europeans. Hence, as a rule, wherever troops were quartered the artillery consisted of Europeans; but in places where exposure to a very hot sun rendered it dangerous for white troops to be placed the duty was discharged by a native force. Those Indian artillerymen, however, were only in charge of two or three guns at any one point, and were scattered about in very small numbers all over the country. The course adopted with regard to them was, therefore, entirely in accordance with the recommendations of the Indian Commission, which

determined that a large special force of native artillery should no longer be maintained. The European artillery at present in India numbered between 12,000 and 13,000 men. The hon. member appeared to think the aggregate European force disproportioned to the native levies. The fact was that it was larger in proportion than at any previous period. Before the mutiny the army consisted of 232,000 men, after the mutiny it was 265,000, and it had since been reduced to 114,000 men. So far from the officers on the spot considering that too large a force, the Commander-in-Chief in India lately reported that the native army in Bengal was overworked, and that he would rather increase than diminish its numbers. The police, also, had not been increased to any very great extent, remembering that in old days about 40,000 of them armed exactly like soldiers, whereas in future they were to be a purely civil force. Orders had been issued as to the arms they were to possess, and the muskets which some of them carried were to be withdrawn.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 7.

Petitions from Indian officers, praying for redress, were presented by Mr. HANKEY, from Brevet-Colonel J. C. Innes, 17th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; Lieutenant-Colonel J. Liptrott, 4th Bengal Native Infantry; Major F. C. Innes, of the 60th Bengal Native Infantry; Major F. V. R. Jervis, 42nd Bengal Native Infantry; by Sir J. HAY, from Major F. W. Bean, Captain G. J. Dalrymple Hay, Captain T. M. Mackenzie, and Major E. W. E. Howard, of the Bengal Staff Corps; by Mr. VANSITTART, from Lieutenant-Colonel Blackett Revell, on the retired list of the Madras army; by Mr. LOCKE KING, from Major Peter Drummond, Captain Digby Compton, and Lieutenant Edward Bell Cox, of the Indian army.

India Office (Site and Approaches) Bill was brought in and read a first time.

HER MAJESTY'S LEVEE.

By command of the Queen a levee was held on Wednesday, at St. James's Palace, by his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales on behalf of her Majesty. The following were among the presentations:—

Maj. gen. J. F. Bird, Madras Retired List.
Lieut. J. W. S. Butler, 17th Regt. Madras N.I.
Lieut. C. W. Campbell, Bengal Light Cavalry, A.D.C. to Sir Hope Grant, on his return from India, by Lieut. gen. Sir G. Le Larpent.
Ens. W. S. Campbell, Rifle Brigade, by his father, Col. George Campbell.
Lieut. S. Carter, Bombay Army.
Maj. gen. Sir Neville Chamberlain, K.C.B., on return from India, by H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge.
Lieut. J. Colledge, Bengal Cavalry, on return from India.
Lieut. J. G. Edwardes, Royal Artillery, Bombay.
Lieut. F. S. Fitzpatrick, 42nd Regt. M.N.I.
Maj. G. Hill, Bengal Staff Corps.
Mr. Parr W. Hockin, Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals.
Maj. G. E. Holmes, Bengal Staff Corps, Asst. Adj. Gen., on his return from India.
Capt. C. B. La Touche, Bombay Army.
Lieut. gen. Sir Gaspard Le Marchant, G.C.M.G., on appointment as Commander-in-Chief at Madras, by H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge.
Lieut. J. Gaspard Le Marchant, 7th Hussars, on return from India, by Lieut. gen. Sir G. Le Marchant.
Maj. J. Marquis, Bengal Staff Corps, on return from India.
Capt. C. A. Moore, 2nd Bombay L.C.
Mr. Frank Myburgh, H.M.'s Consul at Nagasaki, Japan, by Earl Russell.
Lieut. col. E. J. Rickards, Bengal Staff Corps, on return from India, by Maj. gen. G. St. P. Lawrence, C.B.
Lieut. W. Rowlandson, 17th M.N.I.
Ens. C. St. Paul, on appointment to the Rifle Brigade, by Lieut. gen. Hon. Sir C. Grey.
The officers whose names stand alone were presented by Sir Charles Wood, as Secretary of State for India.

BOLDERO v. THE EAST INDIA COMPANY.

HOUSE OF LORDS.—Feb. 28.

The noble and learned lords present this morning were the Lord Chancellor, Lord Cranworth, and Lord Chelmsford.

This was an appeal from a decision of the Lord Chancellor, affirming a judgment of the Master of the Rolls in favour of the respondents.

Sir F. Kelly, Sir H. Cairns, and Mr. Joseph Chitty appeared for the appellant; Mr. Forsyth, Mr. Giffard, and Mr. Melville represented the respondents.

The question in this appeal was whether the appellant, as the executrix of her late husband, John Stephen Boldero, formerly a civil servant of the East India Company in Bengal, was entitled to the refund of the accumulated amount of his subscriptions to the Bengal Civil Service Annuity Fund in excess of half the value of the annuity of £1,000, which was payable to him out of the fund, and was received by him from the time of his retirement from the Civil Service in 1852 up to the day of his death. The suit was virtually instituted on behalf not only of the appellant, but of the other subscribers to the fund who were similarly situated. The Annuity Fund was established in 1825, and the question turns mainly upon two points—first, upon the construction of the lengthy documents establishing the fund; and, secondly, upon the subsequent despatches and conduct of the East India Company, as well in relation to that fund as to other annuity funds established in India upon the same principles by the Company. It appears that the civil servants of the Bengal establishment agreed to pay 4 per cent. on their official incomes towards the fund in question, the East India Company contributing a like sum annually towards the same object. The income derived from these sources far exceeded the charges upon the fund, and in April, 1850, there was in the hands of the company to the credit of the fund an unappropriated balance amounting to £600,000, and after paying the whole of the charges upon it there would at that time have remained £108,000 of disposable balance. The way the Company proposed then to deal with the fund was to convert to their own use the whole of the principal of the fund, and to pay the annual charges upon it out of their revenue. The appellant and other subscribers to the fund, however, objected to such an arrangement until they had been repaid out of the fund the amount they had contributed in excess of half the value of their annuities, the proportion the Company fixed for them to contribute.

IN RE W. P. WAUGH.

COURT OF BANKRUPTCY, BASINGHALL-STREET.
—March 2.

(Before Mr. Commissioner Goulburn.)

This was an adjourned examination meeting under the failure of Colonel William Petrie Waugh, formerly a director of the London and Eastern Banking Corporation. The bankrupt was described in the proceedings against him as of Branksea Island, Dorset, and of Little Abingdon-street, Westminster, trading under the style or firm of the Branksea Clay and Pottery Company, brick and tile maker. Commencing on the 1st of October, 1852, with a surplus of £8,577, the accounts disclose the following items:—Unsecured creditors, £58,257; creditors holding security, £260,343; and creditors to be paid in full, £31; against—debtors, good, £1,165; and property in the hands of creditors, £185,281. The profits from October, 1852, to April, 1857, were returned at £5,967; and trade expenses, £4,123; farm expenses, £11,536; losses, £24,095; sundries, including legal and professional expenses, commission, interest, discounts, gifts, donations, &c., £51,069; Mrs. Waugh's jointure

account, £3,594; and church account (subscriptions, &c.), £7,256; domestic and personal expenses, £44,555. The report of the official assignee upon the whole case has already been substantially given.

Mr. Linklater, who appeared on behalf of the creditors' assignees, said: The adjournment which your Honour was good enough to direct on the last occasion has resulted in the completion of an arrangement between the official managers of the London and Eastern Bank and the assignees. The Court will remember that two proofs were sought to be made by the representatives of the London and Eastern Bank, the one for £136,000 and the other for £36,000. Mr. Lewis and I have now signed a memorandum, embodying the terms of the arrangement as follows:—

“By consent and with the sanction of the Court proof admitted for £100,000, the official managers of the London and Eastern Bank retaining the securities they hold, subject as hereinafter mentioned; the official managers hereby agreeing that such proof shall rank for dividend in competition with the bankrupt's other creditors, in respect only of the net amount now in the hands of the assignees or to the credit of the estate, the whole of which, after payment of expenses and just allowances shall be divided forthwith, and that such proof shall after division of such net assets be expunged, and that no further proof or claim shall be made by the official managers on any account, in order that the assets hereafter to be realised may be divided among the other creditors; the assignees on their part agreeing (with the leave of the Court, which is hereby granted), at the expense of the official managers to aid them in realising the securities held by the London and Eastern Bank, and the official managers also agreeing to pay to the assignees, for distribution among the bankrupt's other creditors a moiety of the net proceeds to be received by virtue of such securities. Such further deeds as may be necessary for carrying out this arrangement to be executed, and the form settled, in case of difference, by counsel to be named by this Court.”

Mr. Commissioner Goulburn: Can I assent to this arrangement in the absence of creditors?

Mr. C. E. Lewis: Of its expediency there can be no doubt.

Mr. Linklater: We only desire to have your Honour's sanction to the admission of the proof.

Mr. Commissioner Goulburn: That I am willing to give.

Mr. Linklater: Then, in reference to the bankrupt's application to pass his examination, we have no opposition to offer. The accounts have been prepared by Mr. Brown, and we are disposed to accept them as satisfactory. Probably it may save time if I say now that, so far as the assignees are concerned, they will not object to the bankrupt's application for a certificate. Colonel Waugh has doubtless suffered very severely, the lapse of time since the bankruptcy has been long, and, having regard to decisions of the appellate tribunal, the assignees have arrived at the conclusion that he has been sufficiently punished. I make this statement, not only for the convenience of the Court, but also for the information of creditors, who may possibly take a different view, and the assignees will be able at a future time to justify the course which they have adopted.

Mr. Lewis: The gentlemen I represent will leave the question of the bankrupt's conduct entirely in the hands of the assignees. We have made the arrangement to which my friend Mr. Linklater has referred in deference to the opinion of the Court.

Mr. Commissioner Goulburn: Then the bankrupt will now pass his examination; and I am bound to say that Mr. Linklater has conducted this case with the greatest possible ability and fairness.

Mr. Sargood, who appeared for Colonel Waugh, said: I have now only to ask that an early day be appointed for the certificate sitting.

His Honour then named a day.

Mr. Bagley and Mr. Reed appeared for creditors seeking to establish proofs against the estate.

Examination passed.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SPECIE TO THE EAST.—The specie taken by the India and China mail steamer *Ellora* amounts to £139,562, comprising only £866 in gold for Madras, the bulk being silver, of which £10,000 is for Calcutta, and £128,696 for China and the Straits.

THE CELEBRATED SANCI DIAMOND has been purchased by Messrs. Garrard, of the Haymarket, for Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, of Bombay, for £20,000. The historical interest attached to this stone is remarkable, and quite authentic. It formerly belonged to Charles the Bold, of Burgundy, then passed into the possession of the Sanci family, from whence it took its name, ultimately became one of the Crown jewels of France, was worn at the coronations of Louis XIV. and XV., and was stolen at the sack of the Tuileries in 1789; it then passed to the Queen of Ferdinand VII., of Spain, who gave it to Godoy, Prince de la Paix, and from him was transferred to the Demidoff family, its last possessors.

ARMY AND POLICE IN INDIA.—A return made up at the India-office states that there are in India 68,336 European troops—that is, non-commissioned officers and men; 114,833 native troops—namely, 17,490 cavalry, 2,052 artillery, and 95,291 infantry; 154,435 native police, 5,445 other native organized levies, and 14,347 contingents of native princes. The totals are 68,336 European troops, and 289,060 native troops and police.

FUNERAL OF LORD COMBERMERE.—On March 1st the funeral of Field-Marshal Lord Combermere took place at the old church of Wrenbury, the burial-place of the Combermere family, situate about five miles from the town of Nantwich. At noon the mourners proceeded to the Wrenbury station, where they were joined by a numerous body of the tenantry. In the mourning coaches were the Marquis of Devonshire, Sir Henry Mainwaring, the Hon. Colonel Cotton (now Viscount Combermere), Mr. J. C. Hunter, Admiral F. V. Cotton, the Rev. Dr. Cotton, Mr. C. Cotton, Captain H. Cotton, Captain L. Cotton, Mr. R. Cotton, and others. In the carriage which followed were the Earl Shrewsbury, Lord Hill, Mr. E. H. Trevor, Lord Kenyon, Sir J. Hanmer, M.P., Sir W. W. Wynne, Colonel Hon. de Ros, the Hon. E. Kenyon, Mr. J. Tollemache, M.P., Mr. P. Humberstone, M.P., &c. At the church the body was received by the Rev. Mr. Aldis, and the funeral service having been read, the coffin, with the coronet of the deceased, was lowered into the family vault amid the most profound silence.

THE INDO-EUROPEAN TELEGRAPH.—Mr. C. T. Bright has addressed a letter to the morning papers, stating that a telegram was received in London on the morning of the 1st of March direct from Kurrachee, by way of the Persian Gulf. The time occupied in its transmission was only eight hours and a-half. The service on the line of the Indian Government between Fao, at the head of the Gulf and Kurrachee, is performed by the best English signallers, and is excellent, but it will probably be some time before the administration of the Turkish line can be so organised as to render the communication equally reliable. The International and Electric Telegraph Company have published their tariff for messages by the Indo-European line. To Bushire the charge for 20 words, including address and signature, is £2. 10s. 6d.; to Kurrachee, £4. 10s. 6d.; to Ceylon, £5. 8s.; to British Burmah, £5. 5s.; and to the three Presidencies, Bombay, Calcutta, and Madras, £5. 1s. For each additional ten words or fraction of ten words one-half of these rates must be added.

MALTA AND ALEXANDRIA TELEGRAPH.

There is as yet no satisfactory news to report of the Malta and Alexandria telegraph, which, in all probability, will continue out of working order for some time. The *Fanny Lambert* returned to Valetta on the morning of the 18th February, from Benghazi, for the purpose of refitting and recoaling, after having experienced, with little intermission since the 10th of January, perhaps the most stormy weather that has been felt on the coast of Barbary for nearly thirty years. Notwithstanding the utmost exertions used by the repairing staff, few opportunities were afforded for touching the cable, which was found to be very weak near the fault—that is, about thirty miles to the eastward of Benghazi. One of the ends was attached to a buoy, but it has since been broken away by the high waves. The *Fanny Lambert*, having been made ready for sea, will again leave as soon as the weather moderates, in order to repair a slight interruption near Tripoli, on the Benghazi side. The only section now remaining perfect is that between Tripoli and Malta. If successful she will resume operations on the Benghazi and Alexandria section; but new cable will be required from England to re-establish telegraphic communication with Alexandria.

BILLS ON INDIA.—The biddings for £300,000 in bills on India took place on the 28th February at the Bank of England. The proportions allotted were—to Calcutta, £172,600; to Bombay, £120,000; and to Madras, £7,400. The minimum price was as before—1s. 11½d. on Calcutta and Madras, and 1s. 11½d. on Bombay. Tenders on Calcutta and Madras at 1s. 11½d. will receive about 17 per cent., and on Bombay at 1s. 11½d., about 41 per cent.; above these prices in full. These results show some revival in the demand for means of remittance.

MURDER OF AN ENGLISH MERCHANT IN PERSIA.—Sir F. Crossley, M.P., has received the following letter relative to the murder in Persia of a Huddersfield merchant, from W. Hammond, and dated "Foreign-office, Feb. 10, 1865.—Sir,—I am directed by Earl Russell to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th inst., enclosing a letter from Mr. Edward Langfield upon the subject of the circumstances under which his brother, Mr. Benjamin Langfield, had been murdered by some Persian soldiers, near Shahrood, in July last, and I am to inform you, in reply, that her Majesty's Government has already received from her Majesty's Minister at Teheran the particulars of this melancholy occurrence, from which it appears that Mr. Benjamin Langfield, accompanied by his brother Abraham, passed through Teheran in February last on their way to Shahrood, with a view of speculating in cotton, and that they were duly warned by her Majesty's Secretary of Legation of the extreme risk they incurred by travelling in Persia without proper escort with large sums of money in their possession. It appears that on the 22nd of July, as Mr. Langfield and his servant were proceeding from the port of Gey to Shahrood, on entering the district of Bostam, they were attacked by some cavalry belonging to the Persian army, who, after having shot both master and man, robbed the dead body of Mr. Langfield of all the money he had in his possession, and decamped. Their bodies were subsequently recovered by a Christian resident of Shahrood, who had them removed to that place and buried there; their clothes and other articles found on them were placed in a room, where they are now locked up. Mr. Allison at once took measures to endeavour to trace the murderers and recover the stolen property, and with this view obtained the necessary order from the Shah to the Governor of Shahrood and to the Persian Commander-in-Chief for the discovery and arrest of the criminals. It does not appear, however, that those measures have as yet been attended with success; but instructions will be sent to Mr. Allison to

make further inquiry into the matter, and strong representations to the Persian Government. Mr. Allison speaks in high terms of the assistance rendered by the Russian Minister at Teheran, and by the Russian Consul at Astorabad, in the steps taken for the apprehension of the murderers."

THE NEW GOVERNOR OF CEYLON.—(*Downing-street, March 6.*)—The Queen has been pleased to appoint Sir Hercules George Robert Robinson, Knt., to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Island of Ceylon and its dependencies.

APPOINTMENT.—(*India-office, Feb. 20.*)—Her Majesty has been pleased to appoint the Right Hon. William Nathaniel Massey to be an ordinary Member of the Council of the Governor-General of India.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 1. *Amelia*, Yokohama; *Chaseley*, Moulmein; *Prince Llewellyn*, Point de Galle.—3. *Lizzie*, Colombo; *Kate*, Colombo; *St. Paul*, Philippine Islands.—5. *Contest*, Bombay.—6. *Hotspur*, Bassein; *Avon*, Colombo; *Eliza*, Bombay; *Kate*, Bombay; *River Clyde*, Calcutta.—9. *Lancastrian*, Bombay; *Norman*, Mauritius.

DEPARTURES.

March 2. *York*, Madras.—3. *Stirling Castle*, Calcutta; *Waverley*, Calcutta; *Barham*, Madras.—4. *Sir J. Jejeebhoy*, Bombay; *Varuna*, Calcutta; *Empress*, Colombo; *Sea King*, Bombay.—6. *Thomas Bell*, Calcutta; *Coronet*, Bombay; *George Avery*, Singapore; *Admiral de Winter*, Batavia.—8. *Sillery*, Bombay; *Vinca*, Yokohama; *Duke of Northumberland*, Bombay; *Mord Hill*, Ceylon.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Overland Route, March 4.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—For SHANGHAI.—Mr. C. Evans, Mr. C. Dunn, Mr. E. M. Loughlin. For HONG KONG.—Mr. J. Dunwoodie, J. W. Coxford, W. S. Myne, J. B. Westcott, Mr. Hogg and infant, A. Miller. For SINGAPORE.—W. Wilson, T. Robinson. For CALCUTTA.—Mr. and Mrs. E. C. George, A. B. Fraser, Lieut. W. S. Alexander, H. W. Magee, Mr. T. J. Atkinson, Mr. B. H. Irvine, C. Lewis, A. S. Wilson, Capt. G. E. Henry, W. H. French, J. B. Henessey, Mr. Dunlop, Lieut. G. Rogers, J. Mackenzie, Mr. Ingram, T. C. Fuller, Lieut. R. F. de Barry. For MADRAS.—Mr. L. Moss, Mr. Powis. For CEYLON.—O. E. Lew, W. M. Lyte, Mr. Temple, R. Temple, two Misses Temple. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mrs. Wightman and two children, Mr. Andrews, T. Maw, S. A. Maw. For MALTA.—Mr. and Mrs. Brooks, Miss Baker, Capt. Baxendale, D. McKinlay, Mr. Gill, Mr. Ridgway, W. Mackinlay. From MARSEILLES.—For SHANGHAI.—Mr. A. B. Milford, Mr. T. W. Miller. For HONG KONG.—Mr. B. Seare, Mr. J. Foster, Mr. G. Overbeck, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gilliland. For CALCUTTA.—Col. and Mrs. H. P. de Teissier, Capt. Anderson, Mr. T. Crawley, Capt. P. Campbell, Mr. Chapman, Miss Chapman, Mr. McNicol, Lieut. W. Battye, Col. Gloster, Mr. H. Morris, Mr. H. Lathbury. For MADRAS.—Mr. Lloyd, Rev. N. W. and Mrs. Pearson. For CEYLON.—Mr. A. Carmichael, Mr. Dick. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. and Mrs. Serocold. For MALTA.—Gen. Mackinnon.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

BERNARD—the wife of Captain Bernard, Peninsular and Oriental Company's Service, of a son, at Carlisle, Feb. 27.
FARQUHARSON—the wife of Captain J. C. Farquharson, 2nd Bombay Cavalry, of a son, at the Rectory, Mordard Bishop, North Devon, Feb. 23.
HARRIS—the wife of E. B. Harris, Esq., C.E., E.I. Railway, of a daughter, at Shaftesbury-villa, Shaftesbury-road, Hammersmith, March 6.
MCARTHUR—the wife of Captain Charles McArthur, R.M.L.I., of a son, at Swift-cottage, Bury-road, near Gosport, Feb. 27.
PRICE—the wife of Major R. H. Price, of H.M.'s 12th B.N.I., of a daughter, at Bedford, March 2.

MARRIAGES.

BAILLIE—PLUMR.—Neil B. Baillie, Esq., of the Bengal Medical Service, third son of the late George Baillie, Esq., of Poplar, to Henrietta Charlotte, youngest daughter of John Barker Plumb, Esq., of Pembroke-square, Bayswater, at St. Peter's, Notting-hill, Feb. 28.
BENNETT—WILKIE.—Charles John Bennett, Esq., Buxton, Derbyshire, to Joanna B., daughter of the late Major James Wilkie, H.E.I.C.S., of Newbarns and Easter-bush, at St. John's Episcopal Church, Edinburgh, Feb. 22.
HAMLIN—ROWNEY.—Dr. William T. B. Hamlyn, of West Stockwith, Notts, only son of James Hamlyn, Esq., of Plymouth, Retired Surgeon, Madras Army, to Esther Maria, eldest daughter of Frederick William Rowney, Esq., of Oakley-square, London, at St. Pancras Church, March 2.

CHAPMAN—REYNOLDS.—Captain William Daniel Chapman, of the Madras Staff Corps, to Anna Maria, daughter of the late Robert F. Reynolds, Esq., of Upton, Essex, at the Parish Church, Woodford, Essex, March 2.

MCNEILL—CAMPBELL.—Alexander C. McNeill, H.M.'s Madras Army, eldest son of the late Brigadier Malcolm McNeill, Madras Army, to Annabella M., daughter of Major general John Campbell, C.B., Madras Army, at Edinburgh, March 6.

ROBERTS—CLARK.—William James, son of the late William Roberts, Esq., of Brighton, to Jane, daughter of the late William Cosmo Clark, of Madras, at St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, March 2.

SCRYMGEUR—STEELE.—John Sturrock Scrymgeour, Esq., Manager, Oriental Bank Corporation, Singapore, to Susan, daughter of John Steele, Esq., at Forfar, March 2.

SHAW—DE CHAIR.—Augustus William Shaw, Esq., East India Civil Service, to Isabella Louisa, eldest daughter of the late Rev. Frederick De Chair, M.A., Rector of East Langdon, Kent, and Manton, Lincolnshire, at Dover, Feb. 28.

DEATHS.

BARR—Mary Jane, daughter of Lieut. col. John T. Barr, Bombay Army, at Cheltenham, aged 15, Feb. 8.

COLLINGWOOD—Thomas Collingwood, Esq., late of the H.E.I.C.S., at 137, New North-road, aged 78, Feb. 21.

DE CHAL—Emily, relict of the late Eugene De Chal, Esq., of Mirzapore, at 8, Pembridge-crescent, Bayswater, aged 50, Feb. 24.

DODWELL—Edward Dodwell, Esq., formerly of the late H.E.I.C.S., at Endersley Villa, Shaftesbury-road, Hammersmith, aged 76, Feb. 24.

FITZGERALD—Lieut. col. Charles Fitzgerald, of the Bengal Army, Retired List, at Mount Edgar, Sidbury, Devon, aged 70, Feb. 25.

FORBES—Matilda, widow of the late George Forbes, Esq., of Bombay, at Southampton, aged 62, Feb. 28.

RAMSAY—Annie Montagu, third surviving daughter of Maj. gen. James Ramsay, at 1, Sussex-square, Hyde-park, aged 18, Feb. 23.

RHENIUS—Sophy, daughter of the Rev. Charles Rhenius, Chaplain, Madras Establishment, at Brighton, aged 15, Feb. 28.

SIMS—Frederick W., late Consulting Engineer to the Government of India, at 50, Torrington-square, aged 62, Feb. 27.

India Office,

March 9, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Sir T. F. Metcalfe, Bart., C.B.; Capt. A. Brooking (Uncov.); Mr. C. B. Plunkett (Uncov.).

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. col. D. C. Shute; Maj. A. S. O. Donaldson; Vet. surg. Turnbull.

Madras Estab.—Capt. F. H. Cobbe; Lieut. J. P. Warlow; Lieut. W. Stainforth; Capt. J. Bean; Maj. J. T. J. Stevenson.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. P. A. Greig; Maj. R. F. Warden; Capt. F. S. Iredell.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. F. R. Scarlett (Uncov.), 3 mo.; Commander F. Duncan (Uncov.), 3 mo.

Madras Estab.—Mr. A. P. Hodgson, 6 mo.; Mr. H. Wood, 6 mo.; Mr. G. S. Forbes, 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Mr. N. Daniell, 6 mo.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Capt. E. H. Scott, 6 mo.; Lieut. F. D. Harington, 5 mo.; Capt. H. A. W. Waterfield, 6 mo.; Maj. J. B. Lind, 6 mo.; Asst. surg. McDermott; Lieut. G. C. Napier, 6 mo.

Madras Estab.—Maj. L. M. Mackenzie, 6 mo.; Lieut. G. P. Worster, 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. R. le P. Trench, 5 mo.; Capt. M. W. Parker, 6 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. E. C. George (Uncov.).

Madras Estab.—Mr. F. C. Puckle (Uncov.).

Bombay Estab.—Mr. C. M. Hogg; Mr. W. Hart.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. J. R. Pearson; Capt. W. S. Young.

Madras Estab.—Asst. surg. B. Williamson; Lieut. F. T. Powis; Lieut. G. M. Balfour.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. W. S. Daniell; Asst. surg. J. Kearney; Asst. surg. R. A. Alleyne; Capt. J. G. T. Griffith.

INDIA EXCHANGES.

BANK AND COMMERCIAL BILLS.

	60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.		60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.
Calcutta	1s. 11½d.	1s. 11½d.	Singapore	4s. 8½d.	4s. 9d.
Madras	1s. 11½d.	1s. 11½d.	Hong Kong	4s. 8½d.	4s. 9d.
Bombay	1s. 11½d.	1s. 11½d.	Shanghai	—	—
Colombo	½ pm	1s. 0pm			

STOCKS AND SECURITIES.

Shares.		Paid.	Prices.
£.			
	India Stock, 1874.....		215 to 218
	India 5 per cent.		103½
	India 4 per cent.		98½
	India 4 per cent. 1858 ..		99½
	India Enforced Paper 4 pr. ct.		89
	India 5 p. ct. Enforced Paper		110
	India Stock, Enfd. Paper, 5½		
	per cent.		108½
	India Stock Debentures, 1855 ..		93½
	India Stock Debentures, 1859 ..		116
	" " " " 1863 ..		99½
	" " " " 1864 ..		98½
	" " " " 1865 for 1866 ..		98½
	India Debentures, do., £1,000 ..		8 dis.
	India 5 per cent. for account ..		105
	India 5 per cent., 1870 ..		103½ to 1
	India 4 per cent.		99½
	India Loan Scrip 5 per cent ..		104½
	India Bonds, 4 p. ct. (£1,000)		15s. pm.
	India Bonds (£1,000)		15s. pm.
	Ditto (under £1,000)		10s.
	RAILWAYS.		
Stock	Bombay, Baroda, and Central India (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	100½
20	Ditto F Shares ..	2	½ d. to ½ pm.
Stock	Calcutta & S. Eastern (lim.)	100	97½
Stock	Eastern Bengal (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	99½
Stock	East Indian ..	100	100½
20	Ditto, J. Extension ..	5	
Stock	G. I. Peninsula (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	100½
20	Ditto (New ditto) ..	12	½ d. to ½ pm.
20	Ditto, New ..	2	½ d. to ½ pm.
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DATES OF ADVICES.

Bengal	Feb. 8	Burmah (Rangoon)	Jan. 28
Madras	" 14	Bombay	Feb. 14
Agra	" 11	Ceylon	" 16
		China (Hong Kong)	Jan. 30.

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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

THOUGH the news received from Calcutta by this mail is only two days later than that which reached us a week ago by way of Bombay, it possesses unusual interest and importance. It is now only too evident that the Bhootiahs have as yet by no means made up their minds to submit without a further struggle. Undismayed by the overwhelming superiority of the British Government, they appear resolved upon a further appeal to arms. Some thousand feet above the bed of the Toorsa river there is a stockade, difficult of access when approached from the plains, but easily taken in reverse from the higher ground in its rear. This fort, known as the Bala Stockade, was captured some time in December last by the Left Centre Column, and has since been occupied by a small and inadequate garrison. Before dawn on the morning of the 27th January the Bhootiahs suddenly rushed upon the sentries, drove them within the works, and attempted to force their way in at the same time. Fortunately the garrison was speedily alert, and succeeded in securing the gate before the enemy could effect an entrance. The Bhootiahs then laboured hard to cut it down with their sharp crooked knives, though exposed at close quarters to a sharp musketry fire. As daylight, however, broke, they retired into the jungle, after maintaining the unequal struggle for an hour and a-half. In this smart affair the British loss consisted of one sepoy killed and five wounded—the side of the stockade exposed to the attack being described as resembling a "fretful porcupine," so closely was it stuck over with arrows. Two days later, news was brought in that the enemy was constructing a stockade on the neighbouring heights, and a detachment was sent out to ascertain the fact. It had not marched far before its progress was opposed by a barricade, which was carried by assault. But a little further on a second barricade was met with, far stronger than the former one, and the assailants were repulsed with considerable loss. Two officers and six men were wounded, and one sepoy killed. To avenge this disaster, Colonel Watson on the 4th of February despatched as large a force as he could spare from his small command to drive the enemy from the stockade they had held so well. This enterprise also failed of success. The Bhootiahs fought gallantly from behind their stoneworks, though armed only with

bows and arrows and crooked knives, and the result was that Lieutenant Millett, of the 11th N.I., was killed, and Lieutenant Cameron, of the Royal Artillery, and twelve or fifteen sepoys wounded. Two mountain guns were about to be forwarded to strengthen Colonel Watson's hands, and it is strange that an advanced post within sight of the enemy should have been suffered to remain thus unprotected. But English generals ever require to be cuffed and kicked at least half-a-dozen times before they will rouse themselves to give their enemy a hearty and decisive thrashing. As the rains are not likely to set in for some months to come, it is expected that an advance will now be made into the interior of the country, and perhaps peace dictated in the enemy's capital.

Small-pox was still prevalent in Calcutta and its suburbs. Indeed, owing to the unusually high temperature of the season, sickness of one kind or another was generally complained of among both natives and Europeans.

The Bheels and Meenas appear to be giving some trouble in Rajpootana, but rather in the character of marauders than of rebels. There have been disturbances, too, at Loharoo, but which were speedily suppressed.

Last night the annual motion relative to the Nawab of the Carnatic was made in the House of Commons. Sir Fitzroy Kelly made the most of his brief, but the House decided by a majority of 53 to 38 against granting even a committee of inquiry.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

BENGAL.—Capt. H. C. Tulloch, on the 5th Jan. at sea, on board the str. Arabistan, on his passage from Bombay to Calcutta. Lieut. Urquhart, Bengal Engineers, killed in action before Dhangere, Baootan. Jan. 29. Lieut. E. A. Raikes, Bengal Royal Staff Corps, on the 26th Jan. in Goojrawalia District, near Lahore, suddenly, by a fall from his horse. MADRAS.—Lieut. gen. Sir Scudamore W. Seel, K.C.B., Madras Army, at 101, Gloucester-terrace, Hyde-park, aged 77, March 11. Capt. P. T. MacCarthy, Royal Art.

Passengers by the present Mail.

Per Delta, March 15.—FOR MARSEILLES.—From CALCUTTA.—Mr. Horden, Mr. White, Mr. Rose, Mr. Jennings, Col. and Mrs. MacLaggan and five children, Mrs. Proxton, Mr. G. H. Baechus, Mr. and Mrs. Wake and infant Maj. and Mrs. Lowe and child, Mr. McVair, Mr. G. C. Roberts, Mr. Dickens, Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie and son, Capt. Laurie, Lieut. Campbell, Mr. Henfrey, Mr. Murray, Mrs. Gerard. From MADRAS.—F. B. Molony, Esq., Mrs. Molony and child, Mr. Guyer's child, T. M. N. Johnston, Esq., Mrs. Fellow and child, Maj. Watson.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. Ripon, March 20.—From CALCUTTA.—Mr. Thompson, Miss Godson, Mr. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wilson and children, Maj. gen. and Mrs. Dennis, Capt. Nunn, Capt. Stuart, Mr. Stanmore, Mr. F. E. Dalrymple, Dr. and Mrs. son and child, Maj. and Mrs. Synges, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Gerard, two Misses Rose, Capt. and Mrs. Timbrell and child.

dren, Mrs. Barrett, Mrs. Macnabb and children, Mr. Francis, Mr. Granville, Mrs. Macpherson and children, Mr. Baker, Mrs. Bell, Mr. J. Miller, Mrs. Kincaide. From MADRAS.—Capt. F. J. Miller, Maj. H. Hicks.

DEPARTURE OF PASSENGERS.—The following passengers left per overland route per *Massilia*, March 12:—From Marseilles to Calcutta.—Col. and Mrs. H. de Teissier, Captain Anderson, Mr. T. Crawley, Captain P. Campbell, Mr. Chapman, Miss Chapman, Mr. Nicol McNicol, Lieut. W. Battye, Colonel Gloster, Mr. H. Morris, Mr. H. Lathbury. To Madras.—Mr. Lloyd, Rev. N. W. and Mrs. Pearson. To Alexandria.—Mr. and Mrs. Serorold. From Southampton to Bombay.—Steamship *Euxine*.—Mr. G. L. Allen, Miss Allen, Mr. C. H. Spitta, Lieut. W. P. Arnot, Dr. and Mrs. Williamson, infant and servant, Miss Campbell, Major Chambers, Mrs. Stansfeld, infant and Ayah, Mrs. M. J. Atkinson, Miss F. Percy, Mr. J. Weber, Mr. H. Glaspe, Lieut. and Mrs. Salis, Mr. Dalley, Mr. Ronalds, Mr. C. Moore.

PERSIAN GULF TELEGRAPH CABLE.—This first length is from the Persian Gulf at Shal-el-Arab to Bushire, distance 170 miles, along which the cable is submerged in from 20 to 25 fathoms of water. The second length is from Bushire to Mussendom Arabia, length 440 miles, and submerged in from 30 to 35 fathoms of water. The third, from Mussendom to Guaddel on the Mekras coast, on the frontier of the Kelat territory, length 400 miles, submerged in from 40 to 50 fathoms of water. There is a short land line of wire from Guaddel to Kurrachee. Messages can be sent from Scutari on the Bosphorus, across Asia Minor to Diarbekir, thence to Mosul (the ancient Nineveh), and thence to Bagdad. There is a land line thence along the Arabian frontier for 300 miles to the junction of the Tigris and Euphrates, at Shal-el-Arab. There is another land line from Bagdad over the frontier of Persia to Teheran, thence to Ispahan down to the Persian Gulf at Bushire. The submarine line was laid under the personal superintendence of Sir Charles Bright. The land lines were constructed under the direction of the late Colonel Patrick Stewart. Total cost of lines £500,000.

THE MAHS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, Mar. 12.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamship *Euxine*, Captain N. Roskell, sailed to-day for Gibraltar, Malta, and Alexandria, with the Bombay mails, a full cargo, and 103 boxes of specie, jewelry, &c., value £34,905, for Bombay, viz.:—Gold coin, £5,618; bar silver, £27,870; gold thread, jewelry, &c., £1,417. The *Euxine* takes out 30 first and 20 second-class passengers, and 16 proceed by the corresponding steamer from Marseilles, making a total of 66. Among them are Viscount Lumley, Captain C. V. Fitzroy, Assistant-surgeon Barrow, Captain and Mrs. Glanville, for Gibraltar; Rev. C. Gray, for Alexandria; Major Crombie, Lieutenant W. P. Arnot, Dr. and Mrs. Williamson, Major Chambers, Lieutenant and Mrs. Salis, Captain and Mrs. T. G. Griffith, for Bombay, &c.

CONSULAR APPOINTMENTS.—(Foreign-office, March 7.)—The Queen has been pleased to approve Mr. Johann Heinrich Bandow as Consul at Bassin, and Mr. Ernest Pandorf as Consul at Akyab, for the Free Hanseatic City of Bremen.

COMMERCIAL NAVIGATION OF INDIA.—A meeting of shareholders was held on Friday, when the resolution of a previous meeting to wind up voluntarily was confirmed.

H.E. SIR WILLIAM MANSFIELD, K.C.B., was entertained at a farewell dinner in Bombay on the 6th February on the occasion of his appointment as Commander-in-Chief of the Forces in India. It is stated that his Excellency intends to take his present staff with him when he assumes the office of Commander-in-Chief.

BENGAL.

A LADAK AGENCY.

Captain Lees is the chief, if not the sole, proprietor of the Nassau Tea Company at Holta. His manager there received an offer from some Cashmere traders for the coarser sort of leaves simply dried. The offer was an advantageous one, but for some reason or other did not take effect. It was immediately seen that if such leaves were manufactured into bricks, and a market found for the commodity in Central Asia, great profits would result. As a first step Captain Lees procured a specimen brick at Lahore or Umritsur at a high price. The manager prepared some bricks on this model, while a party proceeding into Central Asia promised to take them there, and see if the tea was marketable. These are the bricks on the prices of which Sir Robert Montgomery commented in his Kangra minute, but they were never sent. This is the history of Indian brick tea up to the present time. And it is therefore that the question of a British agent at Ladak has been raised by tea planters.

There cannot be the least doubt that if Indian brick tea can once find a market in Central Asia the profits of the Kangra Tea Gardens would be great. The consumption of the coarser sorts of bricks is very great. In Cashmere itself, and the border provinces of Lahoul and Spiti, it is not so large, but in Ladak, Great Thibet, and Toorkistan, tea forms a principal ingredient of every meal, whether of rich or poor, and it is the coarser kinds which are consumed. The greatest part of the refuse of the Chinese Tea Gardens traverses nearly the entire length of the continent of Asia to find a market in East and West Toorkistan, and the gains are still very great. If, therefore, Indian brick tea could once find an entrance in the markets of Central Asia there would be no limit either to the demand or the profit. The great question is whether the tea could find an entrance. We believe it could. The real difficulty is the successful manufacture of the bricks. The brick teas made at first at the Nassau estate quickly became mouldy, and were not well cemented. Some suggestions offered by the party who proposed to find a market for the bricks made them better; but still there was room for great improvement. The secret has yet to be learnt how to cement and harden the bricks. The taste of the decoction made from Indian brick tea is quite different from the flavour of China bricks—both are of a very coarse description, but while the former is enough to sicken the stomach, the latter is partially agreeable to the taste. There is either some ingredient put into the China tea, or the Kangra tea is not sufficiently manipulated and the acrid juice pressed out. It is just possible that the China bricks are made up out of the soaked and rejected stuff drunk in China, and the well known feature in the Chinese character of making everything useful would give countenance to this conjecture. We do not refer to the fine varieties of the China brick. If this is the case, what a large quantity of bricks might be made up of the soaked tea leaves which are thrown away every day throughout India, or are utilised by dealers without a conscience in England. Time no doubt will clear up the mystery involved in the manufacture of China brick tea, and the appointment of an agent at Ladak will help tea-growers in the matter. Captain Lees could not do better than desire some friend in China to send him the secret of the manufacture. Seeing, then, the prospect of a wider intercourse in trade with Central Asia, the Kangra tea planters have done wisely in bringing the subject before the Punjab Government.

But, independently of tea, there are strong reasons why an agency should be established at Ladak. The trade between East Toorkistan, including the rich and fertile provinces of

Yarkund and Khoten, and the Punjab, all of which must necessarily pass through Ladak, is annually increasing, and the late concessions obtained from the Maharajah of Cashmere with reference to the duties leviable on goods must tend still more to increase it. Yet there is no one at Ladak to represent British trading interests. The Ladak Thannadar, who has the practical control of everything in Little Thibet, is known to be a grinding despot. Yarkundi, Cashmere, and Punjabi traders all alike fear to come into his hands. We know of British subjects who have ventured once into Ladak, but will not go there a second time. There is no one to save them from an unscrupulous native, who uses his power to wring out as much as he can in every possible way. The Lahore Government was obliged privately to depute a Thibetan subject only the other day to watch if the Thannadar was in any way impeding the late concessions. An agent therefore is much needed, if only as a counterpoise to the Thannadar's arbitrary proceedings, and to protect and foster trade with the Punjab. But the appointment of an intelligent agent who would take a deep interest in the expansion of the trade would lead to the happiest results. The Toorkistan traders require simply to receive bare protection—that is, justice—and to be gently invited, and have commercial matters explained to them, to make Ladak a great Central Asian mart. In spite of the present hindrances from the Ladak authority, and the execrable state of the roads, their native energy leads numbers to engage in the Punjab and Cashmere traffic. If they had some one to tell them the British Government was favourable to them, and would see they received justice, and if the roads were thoroughly repaired, it would be to the Maharajah's own benefit, and the Punjab would profit much by it. And need we say that such an agent would assist us in getting some knowledge of how things are going on in Central Asia? Our present information is entirely untrustworthy, the person employed for that purpose at Ladak being, for anything we know to the contrary, in Russian pay as well as in ours.

Such an agency, which would not only protect the interests of Punjab trade, but keep a good eye on Central Asian movements, was recommended last year to a high Punjab official; but Yarkund was the point selected. It is possible that, had the advice been acted on, we should be somewhat better informed than we are at present of the revolutions going on in East and West Toorkistan. The point, however, was considered too remote, although the general plan met with approval. There is a disinclination in the Punjab Government to interfere in any way in Central Asia, on account of the uncertainty of the momentous issues that may be brought about. Now, however, even if the Punjab Government felt inclined, no trading agent could be appointed to Yarkund. The country is being revolutionised, and there is too much risk; but there can be no possible objection, even at this, the eleventh hour, to the appointment of one at Ladak. Sir Robert Montgomery said, the proposal "will receive due consideration; and measures will be taken to ascertain whether British interests at Ladak are sufficiently important, and stand in such need of protection as to require the special interference of Government." We have shown that British interests at Ladak, in reference to the trade of the Punjab with Central Asia, are "sufficiently important," and "do stand in need of protection." Half of the entire Ladak trade may be called British. There would be no "special" interference at all in the matter. The interests of British trade simply are to be represented. But the late Lieutenant-Governor was always very yielding in matters where Cashmere was concerned. We cannot think, from our knowledge of all the facts of the case, that there has been much wisdom in this

course. Let the promised "measures" for ascertaining the amount of British trade at Ladak, however, not be done in a way to frighten Oriental susceptibility.—*Friend of India.*

MISCELLANEOUS.

PORT CANNING.—It is not without a certain kind of pleasure that we reflect that the Government will be compelled to join, in an indirect way, in the Great Port Canning undertaking, and to an extent which will cost no trifling expense. The dangers and difficulties of the river Hooghly, the pilotage being in our own hands, and other causes which we need not mention, have made us in Calcutta and the Government, look upon the city, protected also by Fort William, as beyond the danger of any hostile attack from the sea. Port Canning will, it is obvious, have to be put as nearly as possible in the same condition, not only on account of its own growing importance, and the serious interests that will be represented there, but because the Mutlah is the easiest approach to Calcutta from the sea; and Port Canning once occupied by an enemy, the capital of India is naked and defenceless on the Eastern side. It is obvious, then, that either forts or other such defensive works must be constructed to command the Mutlah from the sea to Port Canning, or that floating batteries must be employed; and it is certain also that, before many years more, it will be necessary to have barracks at Port Canning for European troops. All this cannot be done for nothing; and yet nothing is more certain than that, eventually, it must be done, if the new port, in the first instance, and the capital of India, secondarily, are to be protected from the risk of probable destruction and pillage by an enemy, in case of a naval war between England and any of the great maritime powers. The Government cannot leave the new port unprotected against attacks from the sea.—*Englishman.*

PLANTERS AND NAGAS.—At the Calcutta Criminal Sessions a Mr. H. J. Patten has just been acquitted on a charge of "causing mischief by fire." Mr. Patten is a Cachar tea-planter. He was charged by six savage Nagas with having, on 15th December last, burned down five houses, to induce their occupants to work in his garden. The witnesses could not be understood except by a Naga, turned Mahomedan, who acted as interpreter. The form of oath consisted in the witnesses putting ashes in their mouths, biting at a horn and then at a "dhao" or cleaver. More than one deposed to the presence of a second European and two Chuprassees on the occasion, but they were not to be found. The evidence was so unsatisfactory that the prisoner was discharged. Mr. Bell, in defending the accused, said he had often the unpleasant duty of defending prisoners sent down to the Court from tea and indigo plantations. At first sight the case appears a very probable one, and in which the prisoners have very little chance of escape, but when the evidence on behalf of the prosecution comes to be tested by cross-examination, the prosecution in nine cases out of ten entirely breaks down.

GIRLS' SCHOOL AT DHURMSALA.—A good school for girls of European parentage is to be opened at the Punjab hill-station of Dhurmsala on the 1st of May, 1866, under the rules of the Calcutta Diocesan Board of Education. Already the sum of Rs. 8,511 has been raised for the object, and this will be doubled by the State.

MINISTERS' PENSIONS.—The Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India, on the application of the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Calcutta, strongly supported by his Excellency the Viceroy, has sanctioned the sum of £2,000 towards the fund formed for the pension of ministers belonging to the Additional Clergy Society.

LIONS NEAR GWALIOR.—A very fine lion was bagged within sight of the fort of Gwalior, and not beyond fifteen miles from the station of Morar, on Friday, the 27th Jan., by a party of sportsmen. There were three lions seen. The one killed was a fine male, measuring eight feet five and a half inches from nose to tail, and with a noble head, the cheeks and breast covered with hair three or four inches long. He received a shot as he was in the act of charging at the beaters, one of whom he seized by the arm, but fortunately the wound was slight. The animal was sent into the station of Morar, where he was inspected by most of the garrison, and caused no little sensation, as the proximity of such noble game was unknown there. In a letter to hand this morning the same writer says:—"I wrote yesterday, mentioning a party of shikaries having killed a fine lion on the 27th, and having seen two others, one of which was wounded. The one then wounded has just been brought in dead; of course his skin is spoilt from being out for four days, but he appears even larger than the one brought in at first. I fancy killing two lions within fifteen miles of Gwalior is an extraordinary circumstance, and I should like you to mention that such had been done."—*Delhi Gazette.*

PAPER CURRENCY.—Official papers in the Calcutta Gazette estimate the circulation of the currency at a million sterling in Bengal proper. This is not a seventh of the whole circulation in India. The balance of remittance is from the Mofussil to Calcutta. Last year the paper currency enabled Government to receive in Calcutta a remittance of thirty-four lakhs in notes, which otherwise must have been brought down in specie or cleared from the local treasuries by means of bills. Notes of the higher denominations are used chiefly for remittance. In districts like Shahabad the cultivation of opium causes a demand for silver and the circulation is slight, but in the eastern districts of Bengal where silver abounds the demand for notes is large. The Government of India has directed that notes may be used for remittance, provided officers in charge of treasuries confine themselves to receiving notes in payment of revenue and to paying them in exchange for silver or in liquidation of claims upon Government.

TAXATION IN THE CENTRAL PROVINCES.—The result of a special enquiry shows that the cost of their police is borne by all the municipalities in the Central Provinces, to the number of 89 towns and 3 cantonments. Of the local taxes town duties are the least unpopular and most common, but goods in transit are exempted. When fairs are held even town duties are not levied. Last year the value of articles exposed for sale at fairs amounted to Rs. 58,85,570, the value of articles sold to Rs. 36,96,880. The whole municipal income of the provinces amounted to Rs. 3,70,336 last year, and will be Rs. 4,40,000 this year. In Nagpore and Sumbulpore there is a trades and professions tax called "Pandree." It has existed from ancient times, is not complained of, and yields Rs. 2,25,000 a-year to the imperial treasury. In Seonee market dues are paid by traders, and it is proposed to extend this tax to other places. Similar enquiries have been made in Bengal and other provinces, with a view to substituting for the income-tax the cost of the police, but no other reports have been published as yet.

MAKING IT UP.—The ball given by the United Service Club in Calcutta was a graceful tribute to the noble and kindly qualities of their departing chief; and his Excellency's cordial acceptance of the invitation did him honour; it is an odd, as well as pleasant incident, however, to those who remember the state of feeling which prevailed between the high conflicting parties in the autumn of 1862. The Priestley difference is now evidently forgiven, and therefore at last may be forgotten.—*Pioneer.*

H.M.'s 71st.—Subjoined is the farewell order of Sir Hugh Rose to the gallant 71st:—"By the Commander-in-Chief.—Headquarters, Calcutta, Jan. 27, 1865.—The services of the 71st Highland Light Infantry in India entitle them, on their departure for England, to honourable mention in general orders. A wing of the regiment on their arrival in India in 1858 joined the Central India Field Force, and his Excellency, therefore, is enabled to bear testimony to the good services which they performed, and the excellent spirit which they displayed during that campaign. The regiment more recently distinguished itself under their commanding officer, Colonel Hope, C.B., in the late operations on the frontier. Sir Hugh Rose cannot, in justice to military merit, speak of the 71st in a general order without reverting to an earlier period, when in two great campaigns in Europe they won a reputation which has earned them an honoured page in history. Sir Hugh Rose's best wishes attend this distinguished regiment on their leaving his command for home. By order of his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.—E. HAYTHORNE, Colonel, Adjutant-general."

EARTHQUAKE AT PESHAWUR.—At twenty minutes past eight o'clock on Sunday evening, the 22nd Jan., an earthquake of unusual violence took place. It consisted of three distinct shocks. The first and second were rather gentle, being sufficient only to shake the doors and windows, and cause the houses slightly to tremble. The third, however, was very violent, and though we have not heard of the actual falling of any buildings, it caused a general alarm. Many people ran out of their houses in order to escape being buried in the ruins. Hindoos were calling upon Ram to save them, whilst the Mussulmans were crying to Mahomed for help. The total duration of the earthquake was about seventy seconds.

ASSAM AND CACHAR.—It is stated that the crop of tea from Assam and Cachar this year will be 3,000,000 lbs. In a statement of waste land in Bengal available for Europeans 4 districts alone of Assam are returned as containing 6,000,000 acres. Two districts of Arracan contain 2,500,000 acres; Chota Nagpore "an immense tract;" Sylhet 200,000 acres of available land, and some thousands of miles of mountain and plain covered with forest. Chittagong is reported as containing space enough to accommodate any number of Europeans. Tea-cultivation has now been fairly naturalised in Chittagong, and promises to be almost as successful there as in Assam.

CALCUTTA BOTANICAL GARDENS.—In the annual report of the Agricultural and Horticultural Society of India, it is stated that the society's gardens were injured by the cyclone to such an extent that it has been necessary almost entirely to suspend the distribution of plants. The Government of Bengal has sanctioned an annual subscription, including contingencies of Rs. 2,300 for the seed department. The duties of the establishment will be to collect seed, and preserve them for distribution and propagation in the garden. A project has been formed of making a public garden on the Calcutta side of the river, in the Kidderpore Military Orphan Asylum's grounds.

VICAR APOSTOLIC OF WESTERN BENGAL.—The *Hurkaru* mentions the appointment of the Right Rev. Augustin Van Heule, D.D., "Bishop of Amida in Mesopotamia," as Vicar Apostolic of Western Bengal. The Pope has given great offence to Portugal by continuing to appoint priests to India direct, notwithstanding the recent Concordat which vests the supervision of the papal church in India in the Archbishop of Goa.

FOREST CONSERVANCY.—It is reported that the Commissioner of Meerut, Mr. Fleetwood Williams, is shortly to be appointed Conservator of Forests, a duty for which he is eminently qualified by long experience and untiring zeal.

MAHOMEDAN PROGRESS.—At the last meeting of the Mahomedan Literary Society in Calcutta, Moulvie Obydoollah read an account in Persian of the origin and formation of the Romna Empire, and Moulvie Abdoor Rowoof a continuation of his Topographical Account of the City of London. Nawab Mehdee Kooly Khan stated that the latter paper contained "a faithful description of the greatest city in the world, which corresponded exactly with what he had himself seen." Both in Persian and English there are several works written by Mussulman gentlemen, describing their impressions derived from travel in Europe.

DIVISIONAL COMMANDS.—It is settled that Major-general Becher, C.B., succeeds Major-general Lord George Paget, on the departure of this officer for England, in the command of the Sirhind division, and will himself be succeeded in the command of the Oudh division by Brigadier Italy, C.B., from the Punjab, provided that no general officer is sent out from England. It will be remembered that Brigadier Haly was first elected by the Commander-in-Chief for the Oudh command, and that his claims were set aside in favour of those of General Becher by the Governor-general.

CURIOSITIES OF AMALGAMATION.—The *Lahore Chronicle* notices one of the most curious of the results of the amalgamation of the armies. The 18th Bengal Native Infantry is commanded by Winson, a Lieutenant in the cadre of the 45th N.I., while his subordinate officers are Larkins, Regimental Major in the cadre of the 49th; Miles, Major in the Staff Corps, and Allen, Regimental Captain in the late 42nd; Lieutenant Winson, the Commandant, entered the army in 1850; Major Larkins, the second in command, in 1840, and Major Miles, Wing Officer, in 1843.

GOVERNMENT TEA PLANTATIONS.—The tea-plantations in the Kangra and Holta valleys are to receive a further trial. Our readers will remember that the Government expressed an intention of disposing of its gardens. We now learn that this intention has been abandoned for the present, and the sale has been postponed to March 1866, when the whole of the tea plantations belonging to the State in the Punjab and the N. W. P. will come to the hammer.

A CORRECTION.—The *Englishman* of the 3rd Feb. spoke of Major E. C. Impey, A. D. C. to the Viceroy, as the successor to Lieutenant-Colonel R. Lawrence, at Simla, forgetting, apparently, that the appointment is one in the gift of the Punjab Government, and that Captain Impey has never belonged to the Punjab Commission. Mr. J. W. MacNabb, C. S., officiating deputy commissioner of Rawul Pindee, will officiate for Colonel Lawrence during his absence in Nepal.—*Hurkaru*.

OFFICIAL OUTFIT.—The Government of India has sanctioned the disbursement of about Rs. 50,000 for the purchase of household furniture, dinner service, state carriages and horses for the use of the Lieutenant-governor of the Punjab. All the splendid dinner service belonging to Sir Robert Montgomery, the late Lieutenant-governor, have been purchased by the Punjab Government at a cost of about Rs. 17,000, to be paid for from the above-mentioned authorised amount.

NATIVE LINES AT MEERUT.—The Native lines in the Cantonment of Meerut will shortly be abandoned. Government is, very properly, averse to Native troops being located in proximity to the line of railway. That part of the cantonment now occupied by the Native forces will be made over to the civil authorities; the Native regiments will in future occupy a new site, probably to the right-front of the European lines.

SALE OF THE "BENTINCK."—The wreck of the quondam P. & O. and more recently Government Hospital ship *Bentinck* has been sold for Rs. 32,000 to native speculators, who hope to make a fortune out of her copper.

MR. ANDERSON'S PARSEE MARRIAGE BILL.—Mr. Anderson has proposed in Council "A Bill to define and amend the law relating to marriage and divorce among the Parsees," consisting of thirty clauses. At the foot of these a "statement of objects and reasons" is given, which is as follows:—"The object of the present measure is to enforce among the Parsee community the duties and obligations arising out of the marriage union. By a decision of her Majesty's Privy Council in 1856, it was ruled that the Supreme Court of Bombay, on its ecclesiastical side, had no jurisdiction to entertain suits instituted by a Parsee wife for restitution of conjugal rights or for maintenance. It has been represented by a large number of Parsees, who, from character and social position, are regarded as leaders by their co-religionists, that bigamy has been introduced into their community, because, since the decision of the Privy Council, there has been no tribunal to vindicate the obligations of marriage, and none with authority to dissolve marriages on adequate cause being shown. Urgent petitions have therefore been addressed to the Government of India and to H.M.'s Secretary of State for India, praying that, with respect to this most important relation of life, the Parsees may receive the sanction and protection of a legislative enactment. The present measure renders bigamy by Parsees an offence, and subjects it to the penalties prescribed in the Penal Code. On the other hand, it declares the grounds on which divorces may be granted. It gives jurisdiction for the vindication of obligations and duties arising out of marriages, and for the dissolution of marriages, to the ancient institution of the Parsee Panchayat. Appeal from the decision of the Panchayats is allowed within a stated time to the High Courts of the respective Presidencies. The measure has in substance been prepared by representatives of the Parsee community."

THE BEHAR MOUNTED RIFLES have had a shooting match at Mozufferpore, at which Mr. M. Lloyd won the silver cup offered by Mr. Beadon. On the 21st inst. the Lieutenant-Governor reviewed the volunteers, eulogising their patriotic spirit and usefulness. When we remember 1857 and the advisers who surrounded Lord Canning then, it is pleasant to read such statements as these:—"The existence of such a body as the Behar Mounted Rifles is a most valuable and complete security for the peace of this district; if the necessities of the State were to require that the regiment of irregular cavalry should be withdrawn from Segowlee, you could hold the frontier against any hostile attack until regular troops were sent to your support." "When I see judges and magistrates serving in the ranks with gentlemen engaged in Indigo planting and other private occupations, under officers chosen by the corps not for their official position, but for their fitness for command, I feel a conviction that affairs are conducted in accordance with the wishes of the public, and that there is very little room for apprehending mis-government or wrong." His Honour distributed the prizes to the successful competitors at the exhibition, and recommended the establishment of a Behar Agricultural Society. The exhibition has been self-supporting, and the Government grant is likely to be returned.

TIME-EXPIRED SOLDIERS.—The number of invalids going home from all the British regiments in the Bengal Presidency this year is eight hundred, about the usual average; and making up, with the time-expired soldiers also bound to England, a total diminution of only two thousand five hundred men from the British force stationed in Bengal. Of course this loss has been made good by recruits from England.—*Englishman*.

MAJOR REID, Superintendent of Chumba, has been appointed a deputy-commissioner, first class, at Darjeeling. Captain Forbes will, we believe, succeed Major Reid at Chumba.

CALCUTTA IMPROVEMENTS.—The committee appointed to report on providing facilities for the trade of Calcutta has held two sittings, and wisely resolved to make its proceedings public. Besides the president, Mr. G. N. Taylor, the members are Messrs. D. Cowie, Bullen, Ross, and Schalch, Colonels Stretchey and Beadle, and Captain Reddie. The general conclusion at which the committee have arrived will be satisfactory to the public, if a road is added to the proposed railway bridge, as in the case of the new Blackfriars and Charing-cross bridges over the Thames:—

I. That a road-bridge across the Hooghly is not necessary for the ordinary traffic between Calcutta and Howrah.

II. That a bridge over the Hooghly is necessary, in connection with the railway traffic, and that, irrespective of the difficulties and objections attending the construction of a road-bridge in a convenient locality, it is better to bring the railway into Calcutta to the traffic, by constructing a railway-bridge, than to take the traffic to the railway by constructing a road-bridge.

III. That a railway-bridge over the Hooghly should not be constructed below Cossipoor, but that the actual site, at or above Cossipoor, must be determined after the consideration of various points of detail, such as the breadth and character of the river and its bed, the cost of the approaches, the limit of the dangerous effects of the late cyclone.

IV. That it seems probable that under any arrangement the best point for the junction of the East Indian and Eastern Bengal Railways would be at or near the termini of the Eastern Bengal and Calcutta and South-Eastern lines at Sealdah; but that there will then be urgent necessity for the construction of a short line, to bring the passenger traffic of the three lines from Sealdah to a point in the heart of the town, near Tank-square.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT AT ALLAHABAD.

—The *Pioneer* of the 3rd February records a railway accident which took place at Allahabad on the 1st, a wood train having run into the regular afternoon mail. Little injury was caused to the wood train, but the mail train suffered severely. Next to the tender was a carriage containing the clothing and accoutrements of a detachment of the 21st Native Infantry; after this came the travelling post-office, and then an ammunition waggon built of iron. The last was of considerable weight, and the result of the concussion was to throw it upon the post-office van, with such force that the latter was literally reduced to shivers. Not a vestige of its former shape remained. One Baboo, who was engaged in sorting the letters, was killed on the spot, and nine or ten persons have been more or less injured, of whom only one is a European, a stoker, whose arm has been broken. Fortunately the scene of the accident was near the rifle butts, and as there is a surgeon always in attendance, help was at once afforded to the sufferers. Our contemporary speaks in high terms of the conduct of those men of the 107th Regiment who came to the rescue. An enquiry will be held into the matter. The loss to the company is said to be about Rs. 50,000.

THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S OFFICE at the Presidency is to be done away with, as unnecessary and expensive. The work of the office, which is little more than one of a transmissive nature, will, in future, be carried on in the Presidency Office of the Advocate General of the army. Copies of all Court-martial proceedings carried on throughout this Presidency are sent home to England, and their transmission was the principal work of the office now about to be abolished, for the charge of which the officer holding the appointment of Deputy Judge Advocate of the Presidency division received a monthly allowance of Rs. 150, which will now, of course, cease to be drawn.

SMALL CAUSE COURTS.—Mr. Ephraim Da Costa, Officiating Fourth Judge of the Presidency Court of Small Causes, and Mr. J. S. Bell, officiating Judge of the Suburban and Howrah Small Cause Court, have been confirmed in their acting appointments.

NEW SANITARIA.—The *Government Gazette* of the 25th January contains an account of the proposed new Stations and Sanitaria of Yeodo and Shillong, and a set of rules under which land will be granted there to private persons, for building and other purposes. These stations are situated in the Cossyah Hills, at a distance of about twenty-eight and thirty-two miles, respectively, from Cherra Poonjee. The country is characterised by vast expanses of undulating plain, and accessible rounded hills; and the mountain tops for miles around form an extensive plateau, interspersed with shallow valleys and easy elevations, the whole being covered with a luxuriant coarse grass, capable of much improvement. The subsoil is of red and black stiff clay, resting upon sandstone strata of different textures. Millet, maize, rice, and other edible grains and potatoes constitute the staple crops of the villagers. The neighbourhood of the proposed station is free from dense forest, and there is abundance of pure water. No accurate meteorological register for the year has been made, but the highest temperature noted in 1864 in the shade was 81 degs. Fahr. at Yeodo, which is a thousand feet lower than Shillong. The climate is described as genial, and particularly free from fogs; and the soil is rich, and capable of producing excellent vegetables. Near Shillong slate strata are found well adapted for roofing. It has been decided to make Yeodo the civil, and Shillong the military station, and the quantity of land taken up by the Government at the latter place is extensive.

DISTRICT SUBDIVISIONS IN BENGAL.—It is reported that the Viceroy disapproves of the number of subdivisions of districts in Bengal, and proposes to reduce them as expensive to the State, and tending to promote litigation. It will be borne in mind that, before the creation of these subdivisions, landholders had their cutcherries, and decided both civil and criminal cases, and the excuse for their exercising self-constituted judicial powers was the distance of the regular courts, their difficulty of access, and the expense to which suitors were put. The creation of subdivisions did away with these excuses. Again, both in civil and criminal courts, where there were no subdivisions, suitors and prosecutors were subjected to much personal inconvenience, owing to the distance of the courts from their homes. Witnesses were unwilling to appear and give evidence for the same reason, and thus the rich and influential class had an advantage over the poor, and oppression and injustice were often perpetrated with impunity. We may also add, that the decrease of affrays and riots all over Bengal is to be attributed mainly to the creation of subdivisions. To abolish these subdivisions will be to throw Bengal back into anarchy and confusion. We trust, therefore, there is no truth in the report that Sir John Lawrence inclines to the abolition of sub-divisions of districts. So long as there are disputes and conflicting interests, so long it is the duty of the Government to have a sufficient number of Courts in the country easy of access both to rich and poor. On the same grounds we object to the decrease of assistant superintendents of police in the several subdivisions. This decrease will prove as mischievous as the proposed abolition of subdivisional officers. If we are to have a saving of money let a saving be made, but not at the expense of efficiency.—*Englishman*.

THE DELHI BANK has declared a dividend on the operations of the last six months of last year at the rate of 9 per cent. per annum on the paid up capital of 20 lakhs. The head-office of the bank is to be removed to London, and branches are to be opened at Bombay and Jubbulpore.

MR. W. A. BYRNE, attached to the office of the Accountant-general, Bengal, has received an appointment at Ghazepore on 500 rupees per month.

AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION AT AGRA.—The *Delhi Gazette* has a report of the opening of the Divisional Agricultural Show at Agra by Mr. Batten, the Commissioner, on the 1st of February. The company, consisting of the principal civil and military portion of the community, a large number of ladies, and several native gentlemen, gathered round the flag staff at about nine o'clock, whither they were preceded by the band of H.M.'s 23rd Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Mr. Batten, in his opening address, alluded to the fact that the exhibition was a strictly local one, and that the occurrence of other district shows had somewhat affected the number of articles exhibited. He hoped, however, that hereafter the local exhibitions would come up to the divisional shows. He reminded his audience that, as in Bengal, Mr. Beadon, the Lieutenant-governor, had first introduced agricultural shows, so they were indebted to Mr. Fleetwood Williams, the Commissioner of Meerut, Dr. Murray Thomson, and Major Medley for their initiation in the North-West Provinces by the exhibition at Roorkee. The exhibition was purely an agricultural one, the only abnormal article present being a hyena, whereas the district shows had been of a most miscellaneous character. Mr. Batten then dwelt, with much eloquence, upon the advantages of agricultural shows, and the particular necessity that existed for them in India, observing that the natives of the country had great capacity for "art," and that what they wanted was "science," and a desire for improvement. One great benefit of such shows was, that they brought natives and Europeans together; another was exemplified in the fact of their secretary, Captain Harward, forsaking his cannon balls and magazines, to discriminate curiously in plough-shares, and be nicely critical on ghee. Sudder Judges, too, were going in for butter. He concluded by expressing his confidence in the impartiality of the judges of prizes in the several departments. The secretary to the Victoria College addressed the native gentry in Hindoostanee, to similar purpose. The commissioner then declared the show opened; the Union Jack was hoisted, the band played the National Anthem, and a Royal salute thundered forth from the battery.

NATIVE CHIEFS ON THEIR TRAVELS.—When native visitors of rank pay a flying visit to British territories, under present circumstances, they occasion no slight degree of flutter and bother to the officials of the district they deign to honour. Commissioners issue nervous orders to the officers in charge of the artillery, and hold themselves in readiness for the due performance of State visits. This occasions a great deal of unnecessary trouble to all concerned. The native chief is made to feel his rank, an inconvenience of considerable magnitude, and the officers are compelled to leave their duties on occasions which are really trivial. To remedy this matter it has been ruled that when native princes visit British territories for their own pleasure, or on private affairs, all ceremonies shall be waived, but that when they come on business they are to receive all the respect due to their rank and position.

MARRIAGE IN HIGH LIFE.—The *Oorodo Guide* mentions that the second son of the Nawab Nazim of Bengal is to "form an alliance"—to be married, we presume—with the daughter of a grandson of Tipoo Sultan. The *mumquee*, or betrothal ceremony, has been completed, and the marriage will take place in the ensuing Ramzan, before the youth goes to England.

H.M.'s 71st L.I.—The head-quarters and right wing of H.M.'s 71st Highland Light Infantry left Calcutta on the 4th February, on board the screw steamer *Mauritius*, for England. The other wing, going home in the *Albert Victor*, will get away about the middle of the month.

ATTACK ON THE BALA STOCKADE.—Since our last advices from the Frontier we have received the particulars of the late attack of the Bhooteahs on the stockade at Bala. This, our readers will remember, is one of the posts which was taken up in December last by the left centre column. It is situated about 1,000 feet above the Toorsa, and is particularly strong and difficult of approach from the plain, as the Toorsa, a very rapid and unfordable stream, cuts off all communication with them for the greater part of the year, and the road leading up the hill is remarkably steep and rough. But it would seem, in taking up our position there, we lose these advantages, for the unfordable Toorsa is now in our rear, and the stockade is commanded by the higher part of the ridge. On the morning of January 27, just before day broke, the sentries round the stockade were suddenly attacked and driven in, the Bhooteahs following close on their heels, and endeavouring to enter the position with them before the gate could be shut. Luckily, however, the garrison sprang to their feet, and succeeded in shutting it. The Bhooteahs, frustrated in this bold attempt, then tried in a very plucky and determined manner to cut it down with their knives, but being deterred from this by the heavy fire which was directed on them, they retired a short distance, and kept up a continuous flight of arrows on the stockade; but at last, finding the garrison firm and day fast approaching, they retired, after having persisted in their attack for an hour and a half. Our loss is one man killed and five wounded, and the side of the stockade on which the attack was made is represented as being stuck over with arrows to such an extent as to give it the appearance of a hedgehog's back. Further particulars of this will be given as received. On the 29th January a reconnaissance of sixty men was sent to ascertain the truth of a report that the Bhooteahs were stockading themselves on the heights at hand, and they had not proceeded far before they found it to be quite true, and though they carried the first barricade they were brought up by a second and stronger one, and obliged to look to their own safety. Of course when this occurred the Bhooteahs came round in swarms, howling out their peculiar jackal cry, and ere the party could reach the protection of the stockade, Morrison, of the Ghoorkhas, and Bushby, of the 11th, were wounded; one man was killed and six wounded. It is said that Colonel Watson proposes going out with a party to destroy these stockades shortly.—*Hurkaru*.

PAPER CURRENCY.—Official papers in the *Calcutta Gazette* estimate the circulation of the currency at a million sterling in Bengal proper. This is not a seventh of the whole circulation in India. The balance of remittance is from the Mofassil to Calcutta. Last year the paper currency enabled Government to receive in Calcutta a remittance of thirty-four lakhs in notes, which otherwise must have been brought down in specie or cleared from the local treasuries by means of bills. Notes of the higher denominations are used chiefly for remittance. In districts like Shahabad the cultivation of opium causes a demand for silver, and the circulation is slight, but in the eastern districts of Bengal, where silver abounds, the demand for notes is large. The Government of India has directed that notes may be used for remittance, provided officers in charge of treasuries confine themselves to receiving notes in payment of revenue, and to paying them in exchange for silver, or in liquidation of claims upon Government. What a pity it is that Sir C. Wood has burdened Government with the management of currency details, which only the banks can properly attend to.

THE REV. J. COLE, Principal of the Lawrence Military Asylum at Sanawar, has been vested with magisterial powers by the Government of the Punjab.

LOSS OF MCCOLLUM'S STUD.—The friends of Mr. Thomas McCollum, of the American Circus, will regret to learn he has lost nearly all his beautiful stud of horses, valued at Rs. 20,000. He first shipped them on board the barque *Prata*, from Samarang, on the 28th September last, which vessel, after trying for seven weeks to get to Hong Kong, had to put back into Singapore in a leaky condition. Here they were transhipped into the P. and O. Company's steamer *Carnatic*, which, after being out five days, experienced a cyclone, during which all his horses but three, besides a very handsome white bull, were washed overboard. Among these were the famous "Alma," and one of the famous black ponies which Victor Emanuel gave to Ella. Mr. McCollum landed in Hong Kong with only one horse and two ponies.

JOHN LAWRENCE HALL.—A subscription is on foot in the Punjab for getting out a portrait of the Viceroy, to be hung up in the building which goes by his Excellency's name in the capital of the province. Subscriptions are limited to ten rupees per head. After this project shall have been carried out it is proposed that likenesses of Punjab celebrities who have died in harness, or left the province, should be also hung in the same building, those of elevated rank being painted of life size, and the others of what is technically termed kitcat dimensions, or half the figure. The men whose names naturally occur to the public are Sir Henry Lawrence, Sir Robert Montgomery, Nicholson, Broadfoot, Mackeson, Vans Agnew and Anderson, on the same canvas; Sir H. Edwards; and then there are Barnes, Hugh James, and many others who did good service to the State.

RAIN IN THE PUNJAB.—We (*Hurkaru*) are glad to learn from Umritsur that the country around had been blessed with rain, calculated at between one and a-half to two inches. The result, as the news-writer says, will be most beneficial, though the fall is so much later than usual at this time of the year. So impressed were the dealers in grain with the uncertainty of an approaching famine-like scarcity, that they entered into large contracts for grain at Rs. 1-7 per maund for delivery in April, by which purchasers will lose largely. We are also informed that there has been much rain lately at Lahore, and in the whole country between Delhi and Rawul Pindee.

THE MAHARAJAH OF GWALIOR held a Durbar on the 22nd January. After it was over, his Highness sent word to his officers, civil and military, to come to him again at night. They waited on him, when they were directed to approach and be sworn. They had then and there the oath administered to them, the Hindoos on the Toolsee and Ganges water, the Mahomedans on the Koran. They were allowed to proceed home near midnight. The cause of this strange proceeding has not transpired.

H.M.'S 10TH REGT.—The B. and B. S.S. Co.'s Steamer *Koona*, Capt. Trott, left Calcutta for Madras direct on the 4th February, with a detachment of H.M.'s 10th Europeans, Major C. Barlow, commanding, Capt. R. Davies, Capt. C. R. Johnson, Lieut. C. W. Newbolt, Lieut. C. W. Carter, Lieut. G. P. Townshead, Ensign J. K. Kennedy, Ensign E. G. Green, 257 N.C. officers and men, 26 women, and 46 children; Assist. Surg. R. Dunlop in medical charge. Passengers for Bombay, F. F. Wills, Esq., and 10 natives for Madras.

EXPIRATION OF INDIAN MUTINY ACT.—It is formally announced in general orders that the Act commonly called "the Indian Mutiny Act" has ceased to be in force. The Imperial Mutiny Act, as passed on the 18th. of March, 1864, is now in force in India as well as elsewhere. This cannot, however, affect the Indian articles of war for the native army.

MR. E. C. BAYLEY, having returned to the presidency, has resumed charge of the Home Department from Mr. Cust.

CASHMERE.—The opening up of Cashmere appears to be attended with a series of *contretemps* which irritate the Government, and certainly do not go towards disposing the Maharajah to cultivate a more extended acquaintance with his restless neighbours to the south. The last misadventure reported was that of Lieut. Traill. It would appear that this officer, whilst on a tour in Cashmere, was visited by some of the light-fingered gentry, so numerous on the borders, and robbed of some of his personal effects. The loss roused the lieutenant's ire, and he determined that if the local authorities could afford no security to travellers they should be made to feel that a British officer was a person not to be trifled with, and one who would not be robbed with impunity. He, therefore, recovered the value of the stolen property from the Thannadar of the district in which the theft occurred. The Government, however, have signally failed to appreciate the rough-and-ready way of doing justice to himself shown by Lieut. Traill, no doubt because the matter occurred in foreign territory, and concerned the officers of a foreign prince. Orders have been issued by which the lieutenant has been told the Commander-in-Chief views his conduct with displeasure and considers it "unbecoming." He has also been made to refund the fine he imposed, and finally has been prohibited from again entering Cashmere. The Government are quite right in seeing that officers and visitors to the territories of our neighbours do not take the law into their own hands and supersede the native authorities, but we think the native chiefs should be made to understand that they have duties to perform towards their guests, one of the chief of which is to secure them as far as possible from the thievish propensities of nearly all the clans along the Punjab frontier. Lieut. Traill has been very properly rebuked, but if Maharajah Rumbheer Singh could be persuaded that the Thannadar had neglected his duty, the effect would probably go far to prevent such unpleasantness for the future.—*Bengal Hurkaru*.

BHOOTAN.—Rumours from Bhootan are very contradictory, and show how badly the intelligence department must be managed. Up to the present time, beyond the oft repeated rumour of an attack upon Cheeboo Lama, nothing has been told the public of the actual force or designs of the enemy. The last report we published would indicate, if anything, that the Bhootahs were lurking in force near our posts, and were about to initiate the guerilla warfare, the danger of which we have persistently pointed out. This acquired some confirmation from the rumour of the boast made by one of the chiefs that he could retake Dewangiri whenever he chose. We now hear there are dissensions between Tongsou Penlow and the Durbar, which threaten his authority. He, with his henchman Aujod Ferung, Jungpeen, are accused of having caused the war by their behaviour to the British envoys. Tongsou Penlow is not a man to hesitate when pushed to an extremity. The Durbar reproached him, the people who could not do this treated him with coolness. In all Eastern States popularity is power, and the man who can sway the bazaar need care but little for the frowns of the Deeree. Tongsou might have laughed at the Deb Rajah, and have treated the Dhurm Rajah as he treated Mr. Eden, but the loss of popularity was a serious matter. He determined to regain this at all hazards, and repairing for his own district, endeavoured to get the people to move against the British in defiance of his own stated policy of waiting for the rains to initiate a war, which should wear us out by a series of surprises and by a continual worrying and harassing of our outposts.—*Hurkaru*.

TROPHIES.—Arrangements are to be made for the erection of monuments to mark the battlefields of Moodkee, Sobraon, Ferozeshah, Ramnugger, Chillianwalla, and Goojerat.

THE BHEELS AND MEENAS.—In Rajpootana the Bheels and Meenas are again troublesome. They work on a beautifully arranged scheme, profitable to all concerned, except the unfortunate merchant who may happen to fall into their clutches. Rajpootana is broken up into perhaps more petty states than Germany. The consequent proximity of foreign frontiers renders it the very beam ideal of what a country should be in the eyes of men who consider that to take another man's goods, and even his life, is more honourable than to stay at home and till the hereditary patch of ground. The Bheel starts with an advantage and a temptation by means of these boundaries. He is aided by the sharper wit and keener roguery of the officials of the Native States. The Kardars wink at their deeds, or rather close their eyes, as those of the "gaugers" used to be closed at home. It is a hard thing for a man to see through a quantity of gold stuff, precious stones, or even coins, at least native officials in Rajpootana find it so. But the Bheel has another assistant. The Bunniah, having an eye to legitimate profits, which in India begin amongst the Mahajans at the small interest of 75 per cent. per annum, acts as banker, receiver, and seller. He makes the robbers advances, and he sells their goods for them. He gets interest on his outlay, commission on his sales, and he has the undisputed privilege of cooking his accounts entirely after his own conscience. It cannot be wondered at that such a system is hard to break down. The native chiefs, who are in the hands of their immediate followers, are not earnest in the matter. They issue orders which are received as a matter of course, but which blind no one, although it would seem as if they were only given to blind the British authorities. Our political officers are overworked, and have one long unvarying tale of outrages and robberies to report. The matter has attracted the attention of Government, and it is to be hoped the native chiefs will be invited to act in concert with British officers on some definite and well marked plan. Then, and not till then, will the name of Bheel cease to be considered in Upper India as a synonym for cut-throats and bauditti.—*Hurkaru*.

DISTURBANCES AT LOHAROO.—We imagine there are but few of our readers who know anything of Loharoo or its chief. It is a Mahomedan dependency, which attained some notoriety in 1836, from its chief having suffered death by hanging, as a punishment for being mixed up with the murder of William Fraser, political agent at Delhi. It is a very insignificant territory, but this could not save it from political convulsions. It appears the Nawab, like most Mussulmans of rank, left everything to the care of his dewan, and the dewan, as a matter of course, took every advantage of the confidence reposed in him. His exactions at last had the effect of exasperating the peasantry beyond endurance, and the whole State machinery, such as it was, came to a sudden stop, by their rising in arms against the obnoxious dewan. The Nawab's troops were called out, and the riot might have assumed serious proportions, but, fortunately, the jaghir is within easy distance of Delhi, and its suppression was both easy and sudden. The Punjab authorities interfered, and expelled the dewan, and the tiny revolution or insurrection was at an end.—*Bengal Hurkaru*.

CAPTAIN J. MORLAND, of the late 1st Bengal Fusiliers, has been nominated to the appointment of garrison quartermaster in Fort William, in succession to Major W. Stubbs, appointed second in command of the 4th Regt. N.I., at Jhansi.

MR. T. C. TROTTER, C.S., opium agent at Patna, is likely to retire from the service by the end of the current official year. He will probably be succeeded in his present post by Mr. W. Ainslie, Civil and Sessions Judge of the same district.

SMALL-POX IN CALCUTTA.—Dr. Charles and his vaccinators have a very hard task to perform. The lower orders of natives seem to evince considerable repugnance to submit to the operation. The Government, however, is determined to look this matter of the small-pox fairly in the face, and has hitherto deserved well of the public for the measures adopted. Constables have, we learn, been appointed to attend the vaccinators, and to see that no unnecessary delay is suffered to arise, and as the number of small-pox patients has increased, as was only to be expected, when it became generally known that the people could resort to hospitals, the commissioner of police has been authorised to hire another house for the season for the accommodation of the patients.

THE MUNIPOORIES, who have so distinguished themselves at hockey, appear to have awakened considerable interest in the bosoms of their neighbours of Sylhet. We hear that the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Sylhet have started a scheme of considerable interest. They have determined on establishing a school for the instruction in English of the Munipoories who reside at that station.

PUNJAB DEPUTY-COMMISSIONERS.—A new grade of First-class Deputy-commissioners on Rs. 1,750 per mensem having been sanctioned for the Punjab, the following officers have received promotion to the new rank:—Majors O. Mc L. Farrington, F. R. Pollock, and A. L. Busk.

DELHI MUNICIPALITY.—The authorities at Delhi have introduced Kerosene lamps and oil into the Chandney Chowk. They are spoken of as far superior to the common oil lamps hitherto in use, and very little inferior to gas light.

MR. T. H. COWIE, Advocate-general, has, in consequence of ill-health, declined the offer made him by the Government to officiate temporarily for Mr. Maine, in the Legislative Council.

THE LORD BISHOP has returned to Calcutta, and will preside at the Oxford and Cambridge dinner in the Town Hall on 3rd February.

MR. TUCKER has been appointed judge of Bancoorah, in the place of Mr. Fletcher.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 2. Sam Corns. Whinney, Melbourne; Celestial Empire, Murray, Liverpool; Khanjee Odenjee, —, Liverpool. —3. str. Mula, Bland Bombay.—5. Thunder, Rodger, Hong Kong; Coringa, McCorkindale, Singapore; Burmah, Irvine, Moulinein; Onward, Watson, London; Bowtell, Ponsonby, Liverpool.—6. Berenice, Campbell, Liverpool.—7. Mayaram Dayaram, Scotts, Zanzibar; Joven Luis, Winter, Bombay.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Thunder.—Lieut. col. F. F. Warden, 34th Madras L.I., Mr. Churchward, Mrs. Isaacson.
Per Burmah.—Mr. and Mrs. Green and child, Mrs. Remander and three children, Mr. J. Thompson, Mr. J. Goodall, Mr. C. Mahoney.
Per Onward.—Mr. and Mrs. Chadwick and family, Mr. Mellish, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Stark.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 2. Str. Bushier, str. Cashmere, str. Madras, Isa Craig (ports not mentioned).—3. str. Erymanthe, Japanese, Lodors, Northfleet, Rattlesnake, Anne, Agra, Lord Palmerston, Sirocco (ports not mentioned).—5. Ghazeeport, the Duke, Humayoon, Glen Isla, Vancapellan, Alfred, Adolph Michel, Emperor (ports not mentioned).—6. Renown (port not mentioned).—8. Mail str. Simla, —, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Orissa.—For CHITTAGOON.—Dr. Ferris, the Rev. R. Robinson, Mr. T. Determes, Mr. E. H. Lewin. For AKYAB.—Mr. H. Robinson, Mrs. Robinson and three children, Mrs. and Miss Dupuis, Mr. J. B. Wellshead.
Per str. India.—For KANGOO.—Mrs. Leeds and three children. For MOULMEIN.—Mr. Robert Lethbridge. For SINGAPORE.—Mr. J. M. Hall.
Per str. Simla.—For MADRAS.—Dr. Gayer's child, Mr. and Mrs. Perry and children, Lieut. Leslie, Mr. O'Hagan. For GALLE.—Mr. Boxhorn. For BOMBAY.—Mrs. Poulton and children. For SYDNEY.—Dr. J. J. Clark, Mrs. Caldwell. For SUZ.—Mr. and Mrs. Rose, Messrs. Ames and Tibbets, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Phelps. For MARSEILLES.—Mr. Hordern, Mr. White, Mr. Rose, Mr. Jennings, Col. and Mrs. MacIsagan and children, Mrs. Proctor, Mr. G. H. Bacchus, Mr. and Mrs. Wake and infant, Major and Mrs. Lowe and child, Mr. Macnair, Mr. J. C. Robertson, Mrs. Dickens, Mr. C. N. Cook. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. Thompson, Miss

Godson, Mr. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wilson and children, Major-general and Mrs. Deniss, Capt. Nunn, Capt. Stewart, Mr. Stanmore, Mr. F. E. Dalrymple, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson and child, Major and Mrs. Syngue, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Genard, two Misses Ross, Capt. and Mrs. Timbrell and children, Mrs. Barrett, Mrs. Macnabb and children, Mr. Francis, Mr. Granville, Mrs. Macpherson and children, Mr. Baker, Mrs. Bell, Mr. J. Miller, Mrs. Kinleside.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, Feb. 8, 1865.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price
4 per Cent., Sa.	Sa. Rs. 89	Rs. 10 to 10 4dis
Do. Transfer Stock.	Sa. Rs. 90	...
4 per Cent. Co.'s Rs.	Co.'s Rs. 94 1/2	9 to 9 1/2 dis
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co.'s Rs. 100	3 8 to 3 10 pm.
5 1/2 per Cent. Co.'s Rs.	Co.'s Rs. 100	9 to 9 1/2
5 per cent., 56-57.	Co.'s Rs. 100	2 1/2 to 2 1/2 pm

EXCHANGE.

	On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight	2 1/2 to 2 1/2
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight	2 1 to 2 1/2
Bills with Docs.	at 6 months' sight	2 1/2 to 2 19-16
Bank Post Bills.	at 1 months' sight	2 0 to 2 0 1/2

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paid-up.	Quoted at
Rs. each.	Rs.	Rs.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	1400 to 1410
Alliance Tea Company	85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	200	510
Balasun Tea Company	100	185 to 140
Bank of Bengal	1000	2000 to 201 3/4
Do. Interest bearing	4000	7900 to 8200
Beerbhoom Coal Company	1000	840 to 850
Do.	250	Nom. to 172
Bengal Coal Company	1000	110 to 1110
Bengal Printing Company	100	15 to 10 dis.
Bengal River Company	1000	680 to 700
Bengal Tea Company	100	190 to 195
Do. new paid-up	100	235 to 237
Bengal Oil Company	250	par Nominal
Bengal Credit Mobilier (Lim.)	100	160 to 165
Bishanauth Tea Company	200	235 to 234
Do. new paid-up	200	230 to 232
Bonded Warehouse Association	445	695 to 700
British India Tea	80	par
Burdwan Stone Company	100	75 to 80
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	220 to 235
Do. (Contributory)	115	15 to 16 dis.
Cachar Tea Company	600	725 to 730
Do.	400	50 to 55 pm.
Calcutta Docking Company	700	1370 to 1375
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	540 to 545
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	52	52
Central Assam Tea Company	100	95 to 98
Central Cachar Tea Company	200	280 to 285
Chattahar Tea Company	25	5 to 10 dis.
Commercial Transport Association	100	par
Dehra Duon Tea Company	100	90 to 92
Delhi Bank Corporation	500	730 to 735
Dooch Teria Tea Company	100	96 to 97
Durrung Tea Company	45	5 to 4 dis.
E. B. Indigo Company	100	75 to 80
East India Coal Company	100	35 to 36
East India Railway Company	218	215 to 217
East India Tea Company	100	118 to 120
Do.	80	15 to 20 pm.
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	120 to 125
Do.	75	15 to 20 pm.
Eastern Bengal Railway Company	218	216
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000	1150 to 1475
Eastman and Company	250	220 to 225
Equitable Coal Company	250	220 Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	600	Nominal
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	240
Gola Ghaut Tea Company	250	315 to 316
Goosery Cotton Mills	60	15 dis.
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	390
Hooghly Steam Tug Company	1000	1210
Hooghly Lighter Association	80	10 to 15 dis.
Hope Town Tea Association	100	135 to 140
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	105
Howrah Docking Company	500	505
Hunter and Company	250	200 to 220
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	750
Jorchaunt Tea Company	200	745 to 750
Kunchunore Tea Company	1000	1250 to 1305
Kurseong and Darjeeling Tea Co.	250	245
Landing Shipping	100	20 to 25 dis.
Leibong and Minchou Tea Company	65	par to 5 pm.
Lower Assam Tea Company	35	par
Luckimpore Tea Company	155	60 to 55 pm.
Maoacherra Tea Company	60	par
Muttuck Tea Company	50	par
Mutual Tea Company	100	123
Do.	70	18 pm.
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	230 to 252 1/2
New Fort Gloster Company	600	1400 to 1450
Peoples Bank of India	100	75 to 80
Punjab Bank	100	120 to 122
Punjab Trading	75	10 pm.
Punkabarra Tea Company	100	100 duli
Do.	37	par Nominal
Ranghur Tea Company	100	par
Do.	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	143
R. Scott Thomson and Company	600	500
Seawing Company (Limited)	200	82
Sear Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.
Seelsaugor Tea Company	100	5 to 10 dis.
Simla Bank	500	650 to 655
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Soom Tea Company	800	12 to 15 pm.
Soorisore Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1510
Do.	750	450 to 480 pm.
Do.	100	78
South Cachar Tea Company	250	80 to 35 dis.
Spence's Hotel Company	200	165 to 170
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	200	...

Tirhoot Indigo	200	203 to 205 ad
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	200 to 206
Do.	60	par Nominal
Union Steam Tug Company	250	220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	140	180 to 183
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to 240
Do.	190	14 to 16 dis.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
	Nominal.	Nominal.
Saltpetre	£1 0 0 to 0 0 0	...
Sugar	...	...
Rice	1 10 0 to 2 0 0	2 5 0 to 2 7 6
Seeds	2 17 6 to 3 0 0	0 0 0 to 0 0 0
Jute	3 0 0 to 3 2 6	3 0 0 to 0 0 0
Cotton	3 5 0 to 3 10 0	3 5 0 to 0 0 0

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SIR WILLIAM DENISON is becoming a prolific pamphleteer. He has just issued from the press a brochure, entitled, "An Attempt to Approximate the Antiquity of Man by Induction from Well Established Facts." His Excellency, in his preface, deals somewhat roughly with Bishop Colenso, but this is no place to criticise the work.

THE MASULIPATAM RELIEF FUND has reached the large sum of Rs. 1,64,133-11-1. We (*Athenæum*) are sorry to learn from medical authority that sickness, although not yet of a severe type, is beginning to prevail in that ill-fated district, and the zillah surgeon of Masulipatam expects that various diseases will prevail extensively for many months to come, when the hot season acts on the soil lately flooded by the sea. In anticipation of a severe outbreak of epidemic disease, Government have wisely ordered a considerable addition to the medical staff at that place. The salt water has completely destroyed vegetation around Masulipatam, and it is probable that the soil will not be fit for agricultural purposes for several years to come. The town is to be retained as a civil station, and most likely as a military one also, but the latter point has not yet been finally determined.

THE "FRIEND" ON SIR W. DENISON.—The Government of Madras, we trust not in default of having more important duties, has taken to writing critical minutes on such subjects as "Lieutenant Curran's Rope Pump;" and "Solid Wheeled Carts." Lieutenant Curran has been presented with Rs. 250 for devising "this simple pump" of wood and rope, and Government has ordered twenty to be made, so as to be worked with treddles or by bullocks. From last New Year's Day no solid wheeled cart is to be allowed on any metalled road in the Madras Presidency. There is administration in detail! The Collector of Bellary thought of the inconvenience to the ryot, and made the sensible and fair suggestion that such carts should pay a heavy wheel tax. But Sir W. Denison will have none of them. Sir William has thought it necessary to reprint some papers which he wrote in New South Wales on the extension of the railway system. We are modestly told that, on his arrival in India, he felt sure that the railways would not pay, but he graciously abstained from stopping them. As "the indirect benefit to the population at large might be great, and as the political advantage accruing from the rapidity and certainty of the transport of troops and military stores was indubitable, I did not think it necessary to enter upon any inquiry as to the character of the lines in progress." Forgetting the Indian rains, Sir William Denison recommends animal power in preference to steam on branch railways.—*Friend of India.*

SNOW AT OOTACAMUND.—In a valley about six miles from Ootacamund a lady and several other persons observed a fall of snow at about 7 o'clock in the morning of Tuesday last. The weather we are now experiencing is certainly singular, but this phenomenon appears more singular still. There is evidently something strange coming over the face of the earth.—*Neilherry Excelsior.*

FRUITS OF AN ENGLISH EDUCATION.—A *pro-tergé* writing to his benefactor:—"Honored Sir,—I was elevated beyond depression at getting a sight of your honor's fist once more. Most respected sir, it is occasion of gnawing remorse that I have to inform your honor that price of rice is five measures for one rupee. 'Spanking sir,' how can your poor dependent maintain his families [including his aunt's wife's sister-in-law's children all under his protection, no any others to maintain them], on the miserable pretence of seven rupees a month. Knowing 'what a pitiful person' your honor is I am always depending on your honor's celibated (celebrated?) charity and extensive bowels of compassion for the successive advances to the goal (goal?) of my aspirations and inflations. In conclusion, I beg to assure your honor that my mind was afflicted with emotions and tremendous ebullitions when your honor wrote that Miss Constance had severe spasms which I hope will turn out fortunately to be only slight stomach ache. Your honor is in my humble opinion greatly fortunate gentleman not to be in this town just now, as I hear general talk that the Cholera morbus is 'cutting a swell' and plenty peoples is daily 'kicking the buckets' with profound respect and submission and my warm-hearted and hot-headed wishes for the longevity and promotions tantamount to your honor's expidity and my humble compliments to your respectable Mistress and Miss Constance, as in duty bound shall ever pray.—I am, most honoured and stunning sir, your honour's most obedient and very humble servant, and poor dependent, A. RAMASAWMY, Passed Candidate, S.T.E."

LIVING IN MADRAS.—The *Madras Times* draws a sad picture of the shifts to which subalterns in the army are reduced in that Presidency by the rise of prices and insufficient allowances. The pay of a local captain in Madras is now, as represented by its equivalent in commodities purchased in a free-trade bazaar, about equal to what an ensign received thirty years ago. Married captains live in misery and debt. An unmarried subaltern of seventeen years' standing has Rs. 306-10 a month, of which, after fund, mess, and band deductions, he receives Rs. 180-3-4. He never touches beer or wine, lives in a house which costs Rs. 35 a month, pays Rs. 45 for servants, Rs. 55 for bazaar expenses other than the mess, and Rs. 30 for sundry shop bills. He has a balance of Rs. 15 out of which to dress himself, pay his step money, and meet the expense of marching and setting up house in a new station. The result is that he is always in debt. This is one instance taken from the Presidency where the rise in price has been least felt.

THE INAM COMMISSION is still quietly doing its useful work in Madras. Up to the end of November the number of cases confirmed was 3,49,746, of which 79,983 were in respect of religious and charitable grants of a permanent character; 150,812 personal grants enfranchised at the option of the Inamdars; 92,331 personal grants enfranchised compulsorily, and 6,610 personal grants not enfranchised and confirmed on present tenures. The amount of Quit-rent annually payable to Government in addition to the former rate is Rs. 12,44,732. The amount paid in redemption of the Quit-rent is Rs. 12,265-6-4. The combined Quit-rent payable to Government for the future upon personal Inams confirmed to the holders amounts to Rs. 9,72,594. These figures represent the removal of a vast amount of discontent combined with a large gain to the annual revenue, for which we have to thank Sir C. Trevelyan's administration.

COFFEE IN COORG.—The *Madras Times* does not draw a favourable picture of the present state of coffee cultivation in Coorg. The crop is this season much below the average. The Madras Government, imitating Sir C. Trevelyan's hasty action in Assam—after-

wards overruled by the Viceroy—without warning refused to allow the planters, of whom many are natives, to cash at the Mercara treasury bills purchased in Madras. The planters asked for a little time to make other arrangements, but in vain. They were allowed, only temporarily, to make use of the Parapatan treasury, thirty-two miles off. The labour question, too, threatens to become relatively as formidable as in Assam. High prices have led the coolies to strike for better wages, and to leave for Wynaad, distant only a day's journey, where they receive a half more wages.

WHITE ANTS.—In reply to a request for information made by the St. Helena Government last year, Mr. M. G. Plumbe, of the Coorg Survey, reports that he knows of no other plan for preventing the ravages of white ants except this:—Apply with a brush to wood infested by the ants liquid made of nux vomica boiled in water with sulphuric acid and reduced to a paste. The operator should have no sores on his hands. It is characteristic of India that so deadly a poison as nux vomica should be obtainable in any bazaar at one anna the pound.

KIDNAPPING.—A mendicant lately induced a mother in Bombay to allow him to take her child, nine years of age, to see a wedding. Both disappeared, and after a month's search by the police the mother died. The child's sister, however, soon after discovered the mendicant, who confessed to the police "that he had left the girl with one Syud Mettoo, the doctor of his Highness Khunderao Gaekwar." Our resident at Baroda, on being referred to, replied that "the girl had been respectably married," and the case was dismissed at the Mazagon Police Court. Yet the child was only nine years of age.

EASTERN LUXURY.—The *Madras Times* draws a sad picture of the shifts to which subalterns in the army are reduced in that presidency by the rise of prices and insufficient allowances. The pay of a local captain in Madras is now, as represented by its equivalent in commodities purchased in a free-trade bazaar, about equal to what an ensign received thirty years ago. Married captains live in misery and debt. An unmarried subaltern of seventeen years' standing has Rs. 306-10 a month, of which, after fund, mess and band deductions, he receives Rs. 180-3-4. He never touches beer or wine, lives in a house which costs Rs. 35 a month, pays Rs. 45 for servants, Rs. 55 for bazaar expenses other than the mess, and Rs. 30 for sundry shop bills. He has a balance of Rs. 15 out of which to dress himself, pay his step money, and meet the expense of marching and setting up house in a new station. The result is that he is always in debt. This is one instance taken from the presidency where the rise in prices has been least felt.

DR. CLEGHORN.—The Government of India, in considering the expediency of retaining the services of Dr. Cleghorn—who has since January, 1864, been associated with Dr. Brandis, the Conservator of Forests in Bengal, on special duty—for two months longer, that is, to the 1st of March, have expressed their sense of the great services rendered to the State by that officer in the cause of forest conservancy. It is remarked that he may be regarded as the founder of Indian forest conservancy, and that his lengthened services from the institution of forest management in Madras have unquestionably contributed to the public good in this department of the administration of the country. Dr. Cleghorn's labours are also referred to as having paved the way towards establishing an efficient system of forest conservancy in the Punjab.

RANGOON.—Mr. J. Pitt Kennedy, who has been appointed to succeed Dr. Clarke as Recorder of Rangoon and Maulmain, has already arrived. His salary will be rupees one thousand per mensem, certainly not too much for any educated English gentleman in these

times to receive in such a place as Burmah, and with the heavy work of two Courts before him. There is every probability, however, that the towns of Rangoon and Maulmain will eventually have separate tribunals, the rumour being that should Dr. Clarke return he will remain at the former, and Mr. Kennedy be posted to the latter. Under the auspices of the Agri-Horticultural Society of British Burmah, an exhibition will be held on a spot of ground facing the residence of the Chief Commissioner, on the 15th February. So many as forty-eight gold and silver medals, besides a thousand rupees in cash, are available for distribution as prizes. By this time the first of the British India Steam Navigation Company's vessels has left Madras for Rangoon direct. This is in fulfilment of the long-contemplated project, which seems very warmly appreciated in the latter port. The steamer in question is the *Madras*, which will, on her way to Rangoon, touch at Masulipatam, Cocanada, Vizagapatam and Bimlipatam, taking ten days for the voyage altogether. The visit will be paid twice a-month.

H.M.'s 76TH.—In consequence of the sudden departure of H.M.'s 66th for England, H.M.'s 76th will be sent from Fort St. George to Bangalore almost immediately; and if not to Bangalore, there is some notion at headquarters of sending them to New Zealand. The regiment has barely been a year in India, having arrived in Madras in January 1864, where Colonel Brewster and his officers seem to have made themselves particularly popular.

BANK OF MADRAS.—The directors of the Bank of Madras have resolved to increase its capital, by the creation of 1,875 new shares of 1,000 Rs. each. They are to be offered to present shareholders at a premium of 10 per cent., and are to be allotted in the proportion of one new share to each holder of two shares.

CHOLERA IN MADRAS.—This disease has been, for the last five weeks, and still is, prevalent in the town of Madras. Nungumbakum and Persewalkum are the districts in which the disease has assumed its most appalling form, and Black Town is by no means free from its influence.

MADRAS WEAVERS.—The condition of the weavers in the Madras Presidency has so much improved that only a trifling sum has been required from the fund of Rs. 10,000 raised for their relief. They have been benefited by the American war, the high price of cotton having led them to seek more lucrative employment.

THE LORD BISHOP OF MADRAS is absent on a tour of visitation to the north of his diocese, and H.E., the Commander-in-Chief is similarly visiting the Burmese provinces for military purposes.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 28. Godavery, Middleton, Bombay; str. Mula, Bland, Bombay; str. Bluma, Bonfellow, Galle.—Feb. 7. str. Erymanthe, Jehenne, Calcutta.—11. str. Arabia, Patterson, Bombay; H.M. str. Feroze, Burnes, Gopalpore and Vizagapatam; Opbie, Hean, Karicall; Accrington, Christie, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per P. and O. str. Simla.—Dr. Gaver's child, Mr. and Mrs. Parry and three children, Mr. O'Hagan, Lieut. Leslie, Mr. Crooke, Mr. Macfadyen, Col. and Mrs. Stamford and two children, Maj. E. A. B. Travers.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 3. Ville de Nantes, Charvane, Bordeaux.—7. str. Erymanthe, Jehenne, Galle.—10. str. Busheer, Cameron, Bombay.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Simla.—For SOUTHAMPTON.—Capt. F. T. Miller, Maj. H. Hicks. For MARSEILLES.—F. B. Molony, Esq., Mrs. Molony and child, Mr. Gayer's child, T. M. N. Johnstone, Esq., Mrs. Fellow and child, Maj. Watson. For MELBOURNE.—Mr. Williamson. For HONG KONG.—Maj. Campbell. For PENANG.—Capt. A. C. and Mrs. Schurz. For POINT DE GALLE.—Mr. Nunn.

COMMERCIAL.

Madras, Feb. 14, 1865.

BANK OF MADRAS.

Interest on Loans on deposit of Govt. Securities...	10 per ct.
On Cash Credits on do. (subject to commission of 1 per cent. on the sum granted) on amount drawn	10 per ct.
Discount on Government Bills	8 per ct.
Do. on Private Bills, at or within 3 months	12 per ct.
Loans on deposit of Government paper	7 per ct.

EXCHANGES.

Document Bills, at 6 months' sight	2 1/2
Credit to 6 months	2 0/2
Agents' Bills on England, at 6 months	2 0/2
" " " at 3 months	2 0/2
" " " at 1 month	2 0
" " " at sight	1 1/2
H.M.'s Treasury Bills	None.
Bank of England Post Bills	None.
Mauritius Government Bills	Nominal.
Ceylon ditto	"
Court of Directors' Bill on the Government of Bengal, 30 days' sight	None.
Agents' Bills on Calcutta, 30 days	1/2 pm.
Ditto on Bombay	1/2 dis.

RATES OF ADVANCE.

On Govt. 5 1/2 per cent. Promissory Notes	100 per ct.
Ditto 5 ditto ditto	95 per ct.
Ditto 4 1/2 ditto ditto	90 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Stock Receipts	80 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Promissory Notes Sicca	85 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto Company's	85 per ct.
Ditto 3 1/2 ditto ditto ditto	— per ct.
On Tanjore ditto ditto ditto	98 per ct.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

5 1/2 per cent. Loan	1859...	10 pm
5 per cent. ditto	1856-57...	2 1/2 pm
4 per cent. ditto	1852-53...	
Ditto	1853-54...	
Ditto	1854-55...	9 1/2 dis
5 per cent. Transferable Book Debt	No transaction.	
Tanjore Bonds	1/2 per ct. dis.	
Bank of Madras Shares	140 per ct. pm.	

PRICE OF BULLION.

Sovereigns each Rs. 10-3-6

FREIGHTS.

Dead weight, 21. 5s.; Light freight, 23. 15s.; Cotton, 23. 5s. to 23. 10s. per ton.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A LAY OF BOMBAY.

Three Wallahs came sailing out into the East,
Out into the East as far as Bombay,
Each thought to go home with a fortune at least,
And live like a swell meanwhile on his pay.

But Wallahs must work, and Wallahs
must swear,
For there's nothing to earn, and things
are so dear,

That Sir Bartle Frere is starving.

Three Judges sat up in a desolate Court,
And they pondered much on the state of affairs,
They looked at their bills, and they looked at the
Fort,

Where the brokers were shrieking and fighting for
shares.

For Judges who work, like Judges must
live,

And Sir Charles Trevelyan has nothing
to give,

Though Sir Bartle Frere be starving.

Three persons laid hold of the Back Bay sands,
And their shares went up in a wonderful way;
And Government's weeping and wringing its hands,
For it can't get a single servant to stay.

For men won't work, and women won't
weep,

And Sir Charles Trevelyan has no one
to keep

But Sir Bartle Frere, who is starving.
—*Bombay Gazette.*

MOUNT ABOO.—A news-writer at Deesa says that preparations are being made for the construction of new barracks at Mount Aboo, the old barracks being no longer fit accommodation for the troops stationed there. The Sappers and Miners of the 56th Regiment are to proceed to Mount Aboo on the shortest notice. This, as our readers may know, is a mountain in the Serohee territory, Rajpootana, connected with the Aravulli range. According to Thornton, it is a celebrated place of pilgrimage, especially for the Jains, who have a very magnificent place of worship at Dilwara,

situate above the middle of the mountain, Colonel Tod says:—"Beyond controversy this is the most superb of all the temples in India, and there is not an edifice besides the Taj Mahal that can approach it." It has been erected on the site of the temple to Shiva and Vishnu, and, according to tradition, the founder purchased the site from the ruler of Serohee, by covering as much ground as was requisite with silver coin, and paying it as the price. The whole of this temple is said to have occupied a period of fourteen years in building, and to have cost eighteen crores of rupees, besides fifty-six lacs spent in levelling the side of the hill on which it is built. The summit of the mountain is situated forty miles north east of the British cantonment of Deesa, to which it was thought it might afford the site for a useful and excellent sanitarium. It was first used as such in 1847.

THE FALLS OF GAIRSOPPA.—A tourist describes, in the *Bombay Times*, a visit to the Falls of Gairsoppa, forty miles from Honore, on the western coast. They are the highest in the world, being 900 feet, while those of Niagara, though immensely broader, are only 150 feet. At present there is little water in the Gairsoppa river, in the bed of which the Falls occur, but in the rainy season travellers describe the spectacle as unsurpassed in the whole world. The visitor, facing the falls from the right or Canara bank, stands on the Rajah's Rock, so called because of the attempt of a Rajah to build a temple there, and thence command a full view of the three Falls—the Roarer, on the left; the Rocket, in the centre; and the Dame Blanche. The Roarer falls 300 feet into a deep hole, and from that 700 feet, making a noise as it strikes the rock. The Rocket is the most beautiful, for it falls sheer down to 900 feet at once. The enraptured spectator compares it to "a sheet of frosted silver 100 feet broad and 900 feet deep, and in myriads of places on the face of the sheet there are beautiful elongated patches of a yet clearer white—a sort of raised basso-relievo surface—with a silvery frostiness with which only the pure and uncontaminated snow on the summit of Ararat can vie." In the centre these patches look like exploded rockets a foot long. The Dame Blanche Fall needs much water to justify its name. There is a good traveller's bungalow on the Canara side of the river.

THE ROYCHUND DEEPCHUND ASYLUM.—The proceedings of a meeting held at the house of Mr. Cawndas Narrondas, on the 27th November last, for the purpose of accepting from Mr. Premchund Roychund the magnificent gift of five lacs of rupees for an asylum—to be named after his father—for the aged, infirm, blind, and destitute of the Bania community, were submitted by the secretaries for the consideration of Government on the 26th January. The attention of Government had been drawn particularly to the fourth resolution passed by the meeting, requesting them to consent to act as trustees of a fund of four lacs, giving the committee the interest on the amount half-yearly, to be applied to the objects of the endowment. The balance of one lac (with such additions as the donor might still make) is to be devoted to the purchase of a site and to building purposes. The proceedings of the meeting having been forwarded by Government for report to the Deputy-Auditor and Accountant-General, Mr. Birch, was of opinion that "it would seem advisable to invest the funds of the asylum in Government securities, to be endorsed over to me as deputy-auditor and accountant-general. The interest to be credited to the institution when payable." Government have passed the following resolution upon the subject:—"The suggestion of Mr. Birch should be acted on. The benefaction should be suitably acknowledged, and specially reported to the Government of India and Secretary of State, and the papers may be published in the *Government Gazette*. It should be noted to

the Government of India, in reference to their former instructions relating to such benefactions, that the trust involves no charge on the public revenues."

THE PARSEE CREED.—Professor Haug, of Poona, the Zend and Sanscrit scholar, writes in the *Bombay Gazette* a vigorous defence of Mr. Anderson's assertion in the Imperial Legislature, that the Parsees have a strong belief in a future state. They pray for the dead as Roman Catholics do. The Zend Avesta teaches that there is after death a separate abode for the good, and a separate one for the bad, the one called *Gero-demana* (Garotman), the other *Dushaka* (or *Drujo-demana*, i.e. house of destruction, or lie). The happy life of the blessed is called *ahu vahista*, i.e. the best, most excellent (literally the "most splendid") life, whence the common Persian word *Behesht*, or paradise, is derived. The king of Heaven is Ahuramazda, the ruler of Hell is Angromainyas (Ahriman). The Zend Avesta teaches a general resurrection of the dead, and a separation of the good from the wicked, a general destruction of the present universe and the creation of a new one, in which there is no evil, but only happiness. Dr. Haug holds that a comparison of the Zendavesta with the writings of Herodotus, Plutarch, Diogenes, Laertius and Pliny, proves the identity of the religion of the Magi with Parseeism. In his new work on Zoroastrianism he hopes to prove this, and also that "the Pehlevi, the language of the Parsi tradition, shows unmistakably peculiarly Babylonian elements, and is much older." Dr. Haug always makes the mistake, however, of assuming that the materialised religionless Parsees of the present day are as earnest and pure in their beliefs as the early Magi. They are as degenerate as the Hindoos compared with Vedic days have become.

MEMORIAL CROSS-TOWER.—It has been suggested that it would be right and fitting to adorn the Esplanade, near the admiral's quarters, with a cross-tower, in memory of all those Europeans who have died in serving their country in India, whether in civil, military, or naval service, or in any other capacity. This could be constructed in such a manner that, if permitted, the bell won by the army at the close of the last century, and which now lies a standing monument of disgrace to liberality, near the church, not placed in any proper position, could be hung. Cross-towers and bell-towers could be combined, and a campanile erected; one suitable to the city, and which would at once be a substantial memorial of the loved and lost, as well as a beacon and welcome to all arrivals from all countries, and a farewell to those who leave us. It is intended to make application to his Excellency to grant a site, to ask for a solemn public laying of the foundation-stone, and to secure the services of the best architects of the day.

COTTON OVERLAND.—As an encouragement to projectors of new lines of steamers to run between Bombay and Suez, we may mention that it has lately been discovered that cotton can be sent overland to England more profitably than round the Cape. Mr. Premchund Roychund, to whose enterprising genius Bombay owes this discovery, is said to have found his first shipment pay so well that he has engaged the spare cargo room of all the P. and O. steamers up to the end of May next, intending to freight them with cotton.

REVENUE SURVEY OFFICE.—On the proposition of the local Government the Government of India has sanctioned the formation of a Revenue Survey Office, or rather the reorganisation of the department at the island of Bombay, at a cost of Rs. 2,700 a month. A surveyor is to be appointed on a salary of Rs. 1,000, and an assistant on Rs. 700 a month, and the balance to be defrayed in entertaining an efficient establishment of clerks, writers, &c.



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BENGAL.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR.

Jan. 4.—No. 5.—Lieut. G. S. Hills, R.E., whose employment in the engineer establishment of the public works dept. in Bengal has been sanctioned by the Govt. of India, public works dept., assumed executive charge of the Shillong division on the 18th ult. before noon.

No. 6.—Transfer.—Mr. F. Fitzjames, local asst. eng. of the 1st class, from the Bhaugulpore to the Ganges and Darjeeling Road division.

2. Mr. Fitzjames joined the Ganges and Darjeeling Road division on the 28th ult. before noon.

No. 7.—Mr. T. J. Macnamara, asst. eng. of the 1st class, joined the presidency division on the afternoon of the 15th ult.

Jan. 7.—No. 9.—Capt. W. R. Tucker, R.E., exec. eng. of the 2nd class, assumed charge of the Berhampore division on 1st current.

Dec. 31.—The Rev. H. Smith, D.D., to be chaplain of Cuttack.

Dr. W. B. Beatson to be civil surg. of Dacca.

Jan. 4.—Mr. J. D. Maclean to be an asst. to the mag. and coll. of Tirhoot, and to exercise the powers of a subordinate mag. of the 1st class and the powers of a dep. coll. in that district.

Mr. A. J. R. Bainbridge to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Moorshedabad.

Lieut. L. J. H. Grey, asst. comsnr. of Durrung, is vested with the powers of a subordinate mag. of the 1st class and the powers of a dep. coll. in that district.

The following gentlemen to be assts. to the mags. and colls. of the districts mentioned, and to exercise the powers of a subordinate mag. of the 2nd class:—

Mr. O. G. R. McWilliam, Tipperah.

Mr. T. M. Kirwood, Hooghly.

Jan. 5.—Lieut. J. Gregory, asst. comsnr. of Golaghat, is transferred to Asaloo, and is vested with the powers of a mag. and a dep. coll. in North Cachar.

Lieut. A. N. Phillips to have charge of the subdivision of Golaghat, and to exercise the powers of a mag. and a dep. coll. in Seelsaugor and Nowgong.

Mr. C. Brownfield, senior sub-asst. revenue surveyor, Bhullooah, will conduct the duties of the Upper Assam waste lands survey as a temp. arrangement.

Leave of absence:—

Dec. 30.—Mr. R. Finney, sudder ameen of Chittagong, for 6 days—viz., from the 14th to the 19th inst., under para. 11 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

Mr. H. W. Mackenzie, extra asst. comsnr., Burpettah, for 1 mo. and a-half, under para. 12, clause 1, of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules, in ext. of the leave granted to him under orders of the 10th inst.

Jan. 5.—Capt. W. T. Fagan, district superint. of police, Kamroop, for 2 mo.

Mr. J. R. B. Ross, dep. coll. of Hooghly, for 3 mo.

Jan. 10.—Capt. R. de Bourbel, R.E., who was gazetted as dep. consulting engineer to Govt. of Bengal, railway dept., joined his appointment at this date.

No. 15.—Transfers.—Lieut. J. Dundas, R.E., asst. eng. of the 2nd class, attached to the Damoodah division, is transferred, as a temp. measure, from the imperial to the local establishment for employment under the commissioner of the Calcutta police, on the works for improving the Strand bank.

Jan. 16.—No. 16.—Mr. H. W. Stevens, local asst. eng. of the 2nd class, from the Behar (local road) to the Tirhoot division.

Mr. J. Robinson, probationary asst. eng., from the Burrakur to the Behar (local road) division.

No. 17.—The leave granted to Mr. H. W. Stevens, local asst. eng. of the 2nd class, attached to the Behar (local road) division, to proceed to the presidency preparatory to obtaining sick leave to Europe, is cancelled.

Jan. 7.—No. 454.—Mr. W. B. Savi, asst. supnt. of police, Gowhaty, is temp. transferred to the

Bootan Doora to do duty with the police force under Capt. Macdonald.

Mr. E. O. White, asst. supnt. of police, is transf. from the Bootan Doora to the Assam circle.

Jan. 9.—Dr. J. Fawcus to offic. as supnt. of the Alipore Jail, during the abs. on leave of Dr. Payne

Jan. 13.—Mr. H. Muspratt to offic. as mag., coll. and salt agent of Balasore.

Jan. 14.—The following appts. are made:—

The comsnr. of Cuttack to be the chief officer of Customs in all the ports of Orissa.

The comsnr. of Chittagong to be the chief officer of Customs in the port of Chittagong.

Mr. E. D. Kilburn to be a member of the Municipal Committee for the town of Canning.

Mr. T. N. Wilson to be an asst. to the mag. and coll. of Patna, and to exercise the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class in that dist.

Jan. 16.—The Sudder Ameen of Purneah to offic., temp., as principal Sudder Ameen of the dist., with effect from the date on which he may have assumed charge of the office under the Judge's orders.

Mr. T. Norman to have temp. charge of the sub div. of Khoonah, and to exercise the powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class, and the powers of a dep. coll., in Jessore. Mr. Norman is further empowered to hold the preliminary inquiry into cases triable by the Court of Sessions, to commit or hold to bail persons to take their trial before such Court of Sessions, and to exercise all the powers necessary for that purpose.

Mr. A. C. Bolst, asst. supnt. of police, to offic. as dist. supnt. of police of Kamroop, with effect from the 29th ult., the date on which he received charge from Capt. Fagan.

Rev. R. Henderson is re-apptd. to be junior chaplain of St. Andrew's Church, Calcutta, with effect from the 16th ult.

Rev. E. H. Blyth to offic. as chap. of Dinapore.

The following promotions are made in the revenue survey dept., Lower Provinces, with effect from 1st inst.:—

Asst. revenue surveyors of the 2nd class to be asst. revenue surveyors of the 1st class:—

Mr. G. S. Swiney, 3rd div.

Mr. J. Pickard, 5th div.

Sub asst. revenue surveyors of the 1st class to be asst. revenue surveyors of the 3rd class:—

Mr. W. Sinclair, 2nd div.

Mr. D. W. Burnett, 1st div.

Sub asst. revenue surveyors of the 2nd class to be sub asst. revenue surveyors of the 1st class:—

Mr. W. R. Vyall, 6th div.

Mr. J. Todd, 6th div.

Sub asst. revenue surveyor of the 3rd class to be sub asst. revenue surveyor of the 2nd class:—

Mr. J. D. Lynch, 1st div.

Junior sub asst. revenue surveyor to be sub asst. revenue surveyor of the 3rd class:—

Mr. T. W. Nicholson, 4th div.

Prob. sub assts. to be junior sub asst. revenue surveyors:—

Sergeant L. G. Hill, 6th div.

Sergeant H. Wray, 6th div.

Jan. 18.—The following gentlemen to be members of the Charitable Dispensary Committee at Kooshtea:—

Mr. A. Mackenzie.

Dr. J. G. Grant.

Dr. J. G. Grant will act as secretary to the committee.

Dr. C. E. W. Bensley to offic. as civil asst. surg. of Backergunge.

Jan. 19.—Mr. A. C. Mangles to be dep. registrar of assurances of the sub-district of Arrah, having its head quarters at the Sudder station of the district of Shahabad.

Mr. C. D. Field to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Tipperah, during the absence on leave of Mr. F. G. Millet.

Jan. 14.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. P. Cowley, sub asst. revenue surveyor, 1st or Darjeeling Waste Land Survey Div., for 1 mo., from 20th ult.

Mr. G. E. Nash, sub asst. revenue survey, 2nd or northern div., for 3 mo.

Jan. 17.—Mr. J. B. Birch, asst. superint. of police, Monghyr, for 6 days, to enable him to rejoin his appt., with effect from Oct. 5 last, the date of his return to the country.

Mr. T. C. Pennington, principal sudder ameen of Dacca, for 1 mo., from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave, making over charge of his office to the additional principal sudder ameen.

Mr. C. F. Carnac, insp. gen. of police, for 3 mo., from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave.

Mr. F. H. Elphinstone, dep. mag. of Khoonah,

for 3 mo., under the financial notification dated July 31, 1863.

Jan. 18.—Mr. F. G. Millett, joint mag. and dep. coll. of Tipperah, for 3 mo., from the date on which he may be relieved by Mr. Field.

Jan. 19.—Mr. F. A. Elphinstone-Dalrymple, additional judge of Chittagong, for 11 days, prep. to retiring from the service.

Jan. 20.—ERRATUM.—In the orders granting leave of absence dated 12th inst., published at page 78 of the *Calcutta Gazette* of the 18th inst., for "Mr. E. P. Armstrong," read "Mr. E. P. Amesbury."

Jan. 16.—Lieut. col. H. Bruce, c.n., received charge of the office of insp. gen. of police, lower provinces, from Mr. C. F. Carnac in the afternoon of the 14th inst.

Jan. 18.—No. 21.—Leave of Absence.—Mr. J. A. Ellis, overseer of the 1st grade, att. to the Patna branch road div., is allowed leave of absence for 1 mo., on m.c., with effect from the date on which he avails himself of the same.

Jan. 19.—No. 22.—Appts.—Mr. F. M. Avern, prob. asst. engr., att. to the Berhampore div., is apptd. an asst. engr. of the 2nd class, with effect from Dec. 15, the date on which he passed the prescribed examination.

No. 24.—Mr. L. T. Deefholts, overseer of the 3rd grade, att. to the Damooda div., is permanently apptd. an overseer of the 2nd grade in the upper subord. estab.

Jan. 20.—No. 25.—Transf.—Mr. G. Phillips, overseer of the 1st grade, from the Lower Assam to the Shillong div.

Jan. 12.—No. 582.—Appointments:—

The following gentlemen are licensed to grant certificates of marriages between native Christians, being converts from any religion in India:—

Rev. O. R. Bachelor, of Midnapore.

Rev. M. C. Roy, of Midnapore.

Rev. S. Curtis, of Jellalore.

Jan. 21.—Mr. D. White to officiate as dep. mag. and dep. coll. in Cuttack division, to be stationed at Balasore, during leave of Mr. E. F. G. Lingham.

Mr. White will exercise powers of a subord. mag. 2nd class in Cuttack division.

Jan. 25.—Mr. W. T. Tucker to be civil and sess. judge of West Burdwan.

Mr. G. C. Fletcher to be civil and sess. judge of Backergunge.

Mr. C. E. Lance to be mag. and coll. of Pubna, but to officiate as civil and sess. judge of Backergunge during leave of Mr. Fletcher.

Mr. J. D. Gordon to be mag. and coll. of Monghyr, but to continue in the special duty in which he is at present employed.

Mr. F. B. Peacock to officiate temporarily as mag. and coll. of Monghyr.

Jan. 20.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. E. C. Craster, magistrate of Howrah, for 1 mo. from 10th prox.

Jan. 23.—Major H. C. Adlam, for 2 mo.

Jan. 25.—Mr. G. C. Fletcher, judge of West Burdwan, for 2 mo.

THE SONTHAL PERGUNNAHS.

Jan. 25.—In explanation of notification No. 6,638, dated 24th ult., it is hereby notified that the whole of the tract of country known as the Sonthal Pergunnahs shall, for the purposes of Act 16 of 1864, form one district; and its five divisions—viz., Rajmehal, Godda, Pakour, Deoghur, and Nya Doomka—shall form sub-districts. The deputy commissioner of the Sonthal Pergunnahs shall be *ex-officio* district registrar, and the assistant commissioners in charge of the divisions or sub-districts of Godda, Pakour, Deoghur, and Nya Doomka *ex-officio* deputy registrars under the Act.

The Rajmehal division or sub district, having its head-quarters at the Sudder station, has been specially provided for in the notification above alluded to.

Jan. 30.—The Hon. the Lieut. gov. of Bengal is pleased to declare Balasore to be a port of registry, under Act 10 of 1841.

No. 26.—Mr. W. B. Trenwith, prob. overseer of the 2nd grade, attached to the Assam Circle, is posted to the Lower Assam div.

Jan. 25.—No. 31.—The app. of Mr. T. C. Marshall as a temp. supervisor, 1st grade, local upper subord. estab., and his posting to the Jessore road div., are cane.

Jan. 27.—No. 684.—Mr. J. S. Rees, asst. professor, Presidency Coll., to offic. as a professor, with effect from 28rd ult.

Mr. D. W. M. Testro to be a member of the local committee of public instruction at Bogra.

Mr. G. Bright to offic. as civil and session judge of Burdwan during the absence, on leave, of Mr. J. E. S. Lillie, or until further orders.

Rev. H. P. Woodington to be chaplain of Berhampore.

Rev. F. W. Robberds to be chaplain of Dinapore.

Feb. 2.—Capt. J. F. Sherer to be dep. registrar of assurances of the sub district of Cachar, having its head qrs. at the Sudder station of the district of Cachar.

Mr. C. B. Garrett to be vice chairman of the municipal committee for the suburbs of Calcutta, v. Mr. A. M. Macgregor, dec.

Mr. R. Grant, asst. superint. of police, Moorshe-dabad, is transf. to Hazareebaugh.

Feb. 3.—Mr. H. A. Cockerell, magis. of the 24-Pergunnahs, to offic. as coll. of the district, in addition to his own duties, during the absence, on deputation, of Mr. G. Bright, or until further orders.

Jan. 27.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. J. E. S. Lillie, civil and sessions judge of Burdwan, for six mo., from March 23 next.

Mr. P. D. Dickens, asst. mag. of Midnapore, for 1 mo., from date on which he may avail himself of the leave.

Jan. 30.—Dr. T. Bray, med. officer of Serampore, for 3 mo.

Feb. 3.—Rev. H. P. Woodington, chap. of Berhampore, for 18 mo., under sec. 11 of the new furl. regs.

Jan. 30.—The leave granted to Mr. F. H. Elphinstone, dep. mag. of Khoolnah, under orders of the 17th inst., is cancelled at his own request.

The services of the Rev. E. H. Blyth, offic. chap. of Dinapore, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the Punjab.

The following orders issued by the Govt. of India in the mil. dept. are republished for information:—

Feb. 3.—No. 129.—The Govt. G.O. No. 41 of the 10th ult., placing the services of Lieut. P. H. M. Wynter, of the late 32nd N.I., at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal, is cancelled at the request of that officer.

Feb. 2.—No. 34.—The following order issued by the Govt. of India, public works dept., is republished for information:—

Jan. 26.—No. 18.—Mr. W. Hutton, overseer, 2nd grade, is transf. from Bengal to the light houses div., with effect from Jan. 4.

Feb. 6.—No. 35.—The following order, issued by the Govt. of India, mil. dept., is republished for information:—

Feb. 3.—No. 130.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave of abs. on m.c.:—

Lieut. col. J. P. Beadle, of the royal engrs., chief engr. and sec. to the Govt. of Bengal, public works dept., for 20 mo., under the new regs.

No. 36.—Mr. W. Boate, local asst. engr. of the 1st class, from the 24-Pergunnahs to the Dacca div.

Feb. 7.—No. 39.—Mr. T. Martin, C.E., whose employment in the engr. estab. of the public works dept. in Bengal has been sanctioned by the Govt. of India, assumed exec. charge of the Lower Assam div. on the afternoon of the 28th ult.

Collector's Office, Bhulooah, Jan. 20.—Mr. J. Birkmyre, asst. coll., has been placed in charge of the Bhulooah Treasury, and is authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Commissioner's Office, Chittagong, Jan. 25.—Mr. J. Birkmyre, covenanted dep. coll., received charge of the Bhulooah Treasury from Baboo G. C. Roy, dep. coll., on Jan. 19, and he has been empowered to draw bills on all public treasuries.

Patna Commissioner's Office, Camp Chuprah, Dec. 19, 1864.—Mr. J. A. Hopkins, asst. coll., has been placed in charge of the Treasury of Behar on Nov. 10, and has been authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR, N.W.P.

Jan. 21.—No. 153a.—In supersession of the notification dated 14th July last, Mr. R. Jardine is posted as asst. to the Agra div., and is invested with the powers of a subord. magis. of the 2nd class, and with those of an asst. coll.

No. 162a.—Mr. A. Boulderson, joint magis. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade at Moradabad, is appd. to be a joint magis. and dep. coll. of the 1st grade, with retrospective effect from the date on which Mr. W. C. Plowden was appd. to be secy. to the Sudder board of revenue.

No. 163a.—Mr. T. B. Tracey is appd. to be a joint magis. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade, with effect from the date of Mr. A. Boulderson's prom.

No. 164a.—Mr. G. E. Lance, magis. and coll. of Cawnpore, is appd. to be civil and sessions judge of Goruckpore, with effect from Nov. 23 last. Mr. Lance will continue to offic. as civil and sessions judge of Cawnpore.

No. 165a.—Mr. G. Palmer is appd. to be magis. and coll. of Cawnpore, v. Mr. Lance, but will continue to offic. as magis. and coll. of Bijnore.

No. 166a.—Mr. J. A. Loch is appd. to be a joint magis. and dep. coll. of the 1st grade, v. Mr. Palmer, and is posted to Muttra.

No. 167a.—Mr. H. C. Barstow, asst. magis. and coll. at Muttra, is transf. in his present capacity to Agra.

Jan. 23.—No. 178a.—Two mo. priv. leave, under the new C.S. absentee rules, is granted to Mr. G. H. M. Ricketts, c.b., magis. and coll. of Allahabad, with effect from March 1 next, or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

Jan. 19.—No. 129.—Maj. E. D. R. Ross, exec. engr. Roorkee and Dehra roads, returned on the 31st ult. from the leave granted to him in notification No. 23, dated 4th inst.

Jan. 21.—No. 153.—Lieut. col. J. H. Dyas, r.e., chief engr., irrigation works, N.W.P., reported his return on the 11th inst., from 20 days' priv. leave granted him by G.O. No. 5,678a, dated 20th Dec. last.

No. 161.—Leave of absence on private affairs, without pay, for six mo. is granted to Mr. H. C. Woods, asst. supervisor, attached to the 1st Allahabad div., public works, from 1st inst., or from such date as he may avail himself of the same.

Jan. 26.—No. 47a.—One month's priv. leave of absence, under para. 16 of the new uncovenanted service absentee rules, is granted to Mr. J. W. Williams, asst. dist. supt. of police in the Meerut div., with effect from the 18th inst., or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

EXAMINATIONS.

No. 220a.—It is hereby notified that the yearly examination of assistants, and such other officers of the Govt. as are required to present themselves, will be held at the several divisional head-quarter stations on Wednesday, the 5th April next.

The undermentioned gentlemen are appointed members of a special central examination committee which will assemble at Agra:—

Mr. W. Roberts, judge of the Court of Sudder Dewanny and Nizamut Adawlut, president.

The commissioner of the Agra division.

The civil and sessions judge of Agra.

The principal of the Agra College.

The register to the Court of Sudder Dewanny and Nizamut Adawlut, who will also be secretary to the committee.

Jan. 28.—No. 242a.—The services of Mr. E. B. Thornhill, joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 1st grade at Allahabad, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the foreign dept., for employ. in Oudh, with effect from the 15th prox.

No. 243a.—Mr. D. C. Halkett, asst. mag. and coll. in the Benares division, is app. to offic. as a joint mag. and dep. coll., with effect from date on which Mr. E. B. Thornhill makes over charge of his duties as joint mag. and dep. coll. at Allahabad.

Jan. 30.—No. 253a.—Mr. G. E. Watson, offic. mag. and coll. of Goruckpore, is app. to offic. as mag. and coll. of Benares, with effect from date on which he is relieved of his present duties by Mr. G. Ouseley.

No. 254a.—Mr. W. S. Halsey, offic. mag. and coll. of Benares, is transf. as a joint mag. and dep. coll. to Allahabad, with effect from date on which he is relieved of his present duties by Mr. G. E. Watson.

No. 260a.—Mr. E. S. Robertson, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. at Benares, is transf. in his present capacity to Ghazepore.

No. 264a.—Mr. W. H. Smith, whose services have been replaced at the disposal of this Govt., is reposted as asst. to the mag. and coll. of Jounpore.

No. 269a.—The services of the undermentioned officers are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India, in the foreign dept., for employ. in Oudh:—

Mr. A. C. Tupp, b.a., asst. mag. and coll., Futtehpore.

Mr. J. Woodburn, asst. mag. and coll. at Cawnpore.

Mr. J. M. C. Steinbelt, asst. mag. and coll. at Ghazepore.

Mr. C. W. McMinn, asst. mag. and coll. at Benares.

Mr. J. C. Williams, whose services were placed at the disposal of this Govt. by G.O.G.G. in Council, No. 368, dated Jan. 12.

No. 273a.—Fourteen days' leave, under the new civil service absentee rules, preparatory to proceeding on furl. to Europe, is granted to Mr. J. C. Robertson, judge of the small cause court at Allah-

abad, with effect from the 10th inst., or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 277a.—Mr. E. Macnaghten, joint mag. and dep. coll. at Allygurh, is app. to offic. as judge of the small cause court at Allahabad, with effect from date on which Mr. J. C. Robertson may avail himself of the leave granted to him by G.O. No. 273a, dated Jan. 30.

Jan. 26.—No. 272.—The transfer of the Bundelkhand road div. from Mr. Brockman to Major Owen was completed on Nov. 30 last.

No. 275.—With reference to notification No. 5,787a, dated Dec. 29 last, Mr. W. Kelly will draw a salary of Rs. 300 per mensem as civil div. engr. of the 3rd grade.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR PUNJAB.

Jan. 20.—No. 114.—The Hon. the Lieut. gov. is pleased to vest the Rev. J. Cole, principal of the Lawrence Military Asylum, Sanawur, with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class, in subordination to the dep. comsr. of Simla.

No. 87.—The services of Maj. B. T. Reid, superint. of Chumba, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the foreign dept., for employment as 1st class dep. comsr. of Darjeeling.

No. 88.—Capt. F. M. H. Forbes, inspector of schools, Rawul Pindee circle, to be superint. of Chumba, in succession to Maj. Reid.

No. 170.—The services of Lieut. col. R. C. Lawrence, c.b., dep. comsr., Simla, and superint. Hill States, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the foreign dept., to offic. as resident at Nepal.

No. 178.—Mr. E. H. Harrison, asst. comsr., Goordaspoor, has obtained leave for 3 mo. on m.c., with effect from the date of his availing himself of the same.

No. 179.—Promotion.—Maj. J. W. Bristow, dep. comsr., from the 2nd to the 1st class, from Jan. 10, in succession to Mr. F. H. Cooper, c.b., prom. to comsr.

No. 180.—The services of Mr. C. U. Aitchison, C.S., under sec. to the Govt. of India, foreign dept., having been placed at the disposal of the Punjab Govt., he is app. a dep. comsr. of the 2nd class, in succession to Maj. Bristow, and posted to the Delhi dist.

No. 22.—The Rajanpore station order, dated Nov. 20, 1864, by Maj. P. F. Gardiner, comdg., appg. Lieut. S. Beckett, wing officer, 2nd Sikh inf., to be station staff officer, is confirmed, as a temp. arrangement.

Jan. 19.—No. 5,391.—Dr. C. F. Oldham is app. to the charge of the civil station of Madhopoor, with effect from Nov. 17 last.

No. 5,396.—Capt. A. Cadell, R.E., superint. engr., 3rd circle, assumed charge of the office of the superint. engr., 1st circle, on the 16th current, as a temp. arrangement, in add. to his own duties.

Jan. 20.—No. 5,446.—Transfers.—Mr. T. W. Knowles, special asst. engr., from 8th to 7th div. Grand Trunk Road, from date of the reconstitution of the latter div.

No. 5,449.—Mr. R. D. Falkner, prob. asst. engr., from the Delhi to the Lower Sirhind div.

Jan. 24.—No. 203.—The Supreme Govt. having sanctioned, subject to the confirmation of the Secy. of State, a new grade of 1st class dep. comsrs. for the Punjab, on a salary of Rs. 1,750 per mensem, to have effect from the date of Mr. W. Ford's prom. to the rank of comsrs., the Hon. the Lieut. gov. is pleased to prom. the underment. officers to be 1st class dep. comsrs. of the higher grade:—

Majs. O. J. McL. Farrington, F. R. Pollock, and A. L. Busk.

No. 204.—Mr. F. H. Cooper, c.b., to offic. as comsr. of the Umritsur div., in addition to his other duties, as a temp. arrangement.

Jan. 25.—No. 35.—Mr. McLean, 3rd class engr., on probation, in the Punjab inland steam navigation dept., is removed from his app.

Jan. 27.—No. 69.—Lieut. R. S. Armstrong, insp. of schools, frontier circle, and offic. insp. of the Rawul Pindee circle, is permanently appd. to the latter circle, in succession to Capt. Forbes, removed to another app.

No. 70.—Mr. H. W. P. Hutton, b.a., professor, Delhi Coll., to be insp. of schools, frontier circle, in succession to Lieut. Armstrong, but to continue to offic. in the Umballa circle, during the absence of Lieut. Holroyd on special duty.

Jan. 26.—No. 222.—Lieut. C. A. de Kantzow, asst. comsr., has leave of absence for 17 days, prepy. to applying for leave of absence to Eur. on m.c., with effect from such date as he may avail himself of the same.

Jan. 27.—No. 232.—The Supreme Govt. having accepted the resignation by Capt. J. C. Horne, Bengal staff corps, of his app. as 1st class asst. comsgr. in the Punjab, his serv. are placed at the disp. of the Govt. of India, in the mil. dept.

No. 233.—Mr. J. W. Macnabb, C.S., officg. dep. comsgr. of Rawul Pindee, to offic. as dep. comsgr. of Simla and superint. hill states, v. Lieut. col. R. C. Lawrence, C.B.

No. 234.—Major C. H. Hall, officg. dep. comsgr. of Lahore, to offic. as dep. comsgr. of Rawul Pindee, v. Mr. J. W. Macnabb.

No. 235.—Mr. C. U. Aitchison, C.S., dep. comsgr. of Delhi, to offic. as dep. comsgr. of Lahore.

No. 236.—Mr. M. McAuliffe, C.S., is appointed an asst. comsgr. of the 3rd class in the Punjab, and is posted to the Goordaspore dist.

No. 237.—Transfers.—Lieut. R. T. Hare, asst. comsgr., from the Dera Ismail Khan to the Peshawur dist., and to offic. as personal asst. to the comsgr. of Peshawur, during the absence on furl. of Mr. G. Knox.

No. 238.—Promotions.—Mr. W. E. Blyth, dep. comsgr. 3rd class, to be dep. comsgr. 2nd class, v. Major Adams, dec.

No. 239.—Mr. D. MacNabb, asst. comsgr. 1st class, to be dep. comsgr. 3rd class, v. Mr. Blyth, prom.

No. 240.—Lieut. J. W. H. Johnstone, asst. comsgr. 2nd class, to be asst. comsgr. 1st class, v. Mr. D. MacNabb, prom.

No. 241.—Lieut. E. L. Ommanney, asst. comsgr. 2nd class, to be asst. comsgr. 1st class, v. Capt. Horne res., from the date of the latter officer making over charge of his civil duties.

No. 242.—Lieut. F. C. Bewsher, asst. comsgr. 3rd class, to be asst. comsgr. 2nd class, v. Lieut. Johnstone, prom.

No. 243.—Mr. C. J. Powlett, C.S., asst. comsgr. 3rd class, to be asst. comsgr. 2nd class, v. Lieut. P. W. Powlett, transf. to Berar, from the date of the latter officer's departure.

No. 244.—Lieut. P. L. N. Cavagnari, asst. comsgr. 3rd class, to be asst. comsgr. 2nd class, v. Lieut. Ommanney, prom.

No. 245.—*Punjab Gazette* order, No. 2,511, dated Dec. 23, transf. Capt. A. A. Munro from Peshawur to Kohat, and appointing him to offic. as dep. comsgr. of the latter dist.; and *Punjab Gazette* order, No. 113, dated Jan. 11, transf. J. R. G. G. Short from Kohat to Sealkote, are hereby cancelled.

Jan. 26.—No. 27.—Leave of absence.—Lieut. G. N. Money, wing officer, 3rd Punjab inf., from Feb. 15 to April 15, to proceed to Kurrachee and Bombay, with the view to m.c.

Jan. 21.—No. 5,479.—Lieut. col. R. MacLagan, R.E., chief engr. and sec. to Govt., Punjab, D.P.W., availed himself on Jan. 16 of the prep. leave granted in *Punjab Gazette* order No. 4,881, of Dec. 26, 1864, making over charge of his office to Col. A. Taylor, C.B., supntg. engr. of the 1st circle.

Jan. 21.—No. 5,555.—Major J. J. McL. Innes, v.c., controller and examiner of public works accnts., to assume charge of the office of supntg. engr., 3rd circle, in add. to his own duties, as a temp. arrangement.

Jan. 14.—No. 5,243.—The following will in future be the designations of the officers of the forest dept., now employed in the Punjab:—

Conservator of Forests—Dr. J. L. Stewart, M.D., officg.

Dep. Conservators—Lieut. J. Chalmers, Chenab and Ravee Forests divs.

Jan. 30.—No. 260.—Mr. D. Fitzpatrick, asst. comsgr., held charge of the Delhi dist. from Sept. 30 to Oct. 9, 1864.

Feb. 3.—No. 131.—Capt. F. M. H. Forbes received charge of the office of superint. of Chumba from Maj. Reid Jan. 31.

Feb. 1.—No. 293.—Under orders of the local Govt., Mr. T. W. Moore, extra asst. comr., proceeded from Kussoor, in the Lahore div., Dec. 14, to Fazilka, in the Sirsa dist., and returned to Kussoor Jan. 3.

No. 296.—Transfers.—Capt. F. J. Millar, asst. comr., from Kussoor, in the Simla dist., to Umballa.

No. 297.—Mr. W. R. Thomas, asst. comr., from the Umballa to the Simla dist., to be stationed at Kussoor.

Feb. 2.—No. 299.—Appt.—The Rev. E. H. Blyth to be chaplain of Meean Meer.

Feb. 3.—Transf.—No. 29.—Lieut. H. J. Lawrence, doing duty 1st Punjab inf., is perm. transf. to the 5th Goorkha regt., as doing duty officer.

Feb. 3.—No. 28.—The 4th Punjab inf. regt. order dated Dec. 28, by Maj. J. Hood, comdg., making the following arrangements consequent on

the departure of Maj. G. A. Williams, officg. 2nd in command and wing officer, to join another appt., is confirmed:—

Lieut. W. Snow, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in command and wing officer.

Lieut. A. J. D. Hawes, adjt., to offic. as wing officer.

Lieut. G. C. DeLautour, qrmr., to offic. as adjt.

Lieut. Hawes to take charge of the qrmr's office.

Feb. 1.—No. 5,800.—Transfers.—The following transfers of upper and lower subords. to the Ferozepore div. are sanctioned, from the date of the re-constitution of that div.:—

From the 8th Division Grand Trunk Road.

Mr. J. B. Daly, supervisor, 2nd grade.

From the Jullundur Division.

Sergt. J. Stewart, overseer, 1st grade.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Head-qrs., Calcutta, Jan. 12.—On the breaking up of the Dooar field force, Lieut. J. L. Ferris, late 12th N.I., is directed to proceed and join the 19th hussars, for the purpose of being instructed in cav. drill.

With reference to G.G.O. No. 17, app. Maj. gen. W. O'G. Haly, C.B., to the div. staff of the army in Bengal, H.E. the C. in C. is pleased to post him to the Lahore div., with effect from the date on which Maj. gen. Cunynghame, C.B., vacates the command.

Brev. Maj. E. A. M. McGregor, late 4th Eur. L.C., is transf. from Benares to Moradabad for gen. duty.

Kussowlee Depot.—Capt. F. Stephen, of the 2nd batt. rifle brigade, to be station atf., v. Lieut. Byng, who rejoins his corps, dated Dec. 26.

Lieut. G. P. Cumming, late 4th Eur. regt., att. to the 90th foot, is perm. to do duty with the 14th N.I., and directed to join.

The following medical officers of the R.A. will proceed to join the batteries to which they have been posted in Madras as soon as the dep. insp. gen. of hospitals H.M.'s British forces, at the presidency, can arrange for their relief from the corps with which they are at present doing duty:—

Asst. surgs. J. H. N. Bracken, D battery, 23rd brig., at Secunderabad; and A. R. Hall, E battery, 23rd brig., at Bellary.

The G.O.C.C. of Nov. 11 last, directing Asst. surg. H. H. Maclean, 16th brig. R.A., to join the head qrs. of the brig. at Barrackpore, is cancl., that officer having been subsequently posted to B battery, 10th brig. at Saugor.

The following medical arrangements are directed: Asst. surg. H. C. Cutcliffe, F.R.C.S., civil asst. surg. Deyrah, is apptd. to the med. charge of Mussoorie, v. Asst. surg. D. B. Smith, about to res.

Surg. C. T. Paske is apptd. to the med. charge of the 19th N.I., v. Surg. maj. W. Keates, prom.

In consequence of the transfer of Asst. surg. G. Park, M.D., 52nd foot, from the med. charge of the *St. Lawrence* to that of the *Conflict*, Mr. B. Taylor, surgeon of the *St. Lawrence*, is, with the sanction of Govt., apptd. to the med. charge of troops proc. to England on that vessel.

Lieut. F. H. Kennedy, of the invalid estab., is perm. to reside and draw his pay and allowances in the Peshawur div.

The tempy. app. of Surg. maj. S. A. Homan as officg. dep. insp. gen. of hospitals of the Agra circle, in succession to Dr. J. Murray, nominated to offic. as insp. gen. of hospitals, is, with the sanc. of Govt., confirmed.

The foll. Peshawur div. orders are confirmed:—

Dated Oct. 26 last.—App. Lieut. C. E. Nairne, E baty. C brigade R.H.A., and Lieut. D. V. Stuart, of the 51st foot, to do duty with the invalids and time-expired men proc. to port of embark.

Dated Nov. 5 last.—Directing the foll. med. arrangements for the invalids of the season proc. to Mooltan and Kurrachee:—

Asst. surg. W. Ironside, of the 71st foot, to assume med. charge.

The following orders are confirmed:—

Moradabad station order dated Jan. 10, 1864, directing Asst. surg. M. J. E. Fagan, M.D., 46th foot, to receive medical charge of detachments of 3rd Bengal cav. and 10th N.I. from Asst. surg. A. Fitzgerald.

Dinapore brigade order dated Oct. 18 last, directing the following medical arrangements:—

Asst. surg. A. S. Russell, M.D., B baty. F brig. royal horse art., to assume charge of office of dep. inspec. gen. of hospitals, and medical charge of 16th N.I., in addition to his other duties, v. Surg. major T. C. Hutchinson, proceeded on duty.

Asst. surg. T. Y. Baker, 27th foot, to assume charge of the brigade staff, v. Asst. surg. Russell.

By the officer comdg. the 8th Bengal cav., dated Oct. 26 last, apptg. Lieut. A. F. Lindsay, 8rd squadron officer, to offic. as 2nd squadron officer, in addition to his other duties, with effect from the 25th idem, v. Lieut. T. R. D. Bingham, proceeded on sick leave.

By the officer comdg. the 79th foot, dated Nov. 2 last, appg. Lieut. J. Brehner to act as qrmr., until further orders, with effect from the 1st idem, v. qrmr. W. McGill, proceeding to England.

Seepree station order dated Nov. 3 last, appg. Lieut. W. P. Harrison, doing duty officer, 84th N.I., to offic. as station staff, with effect from Oct. 27 last, there being no qualified officer available.

Dooar Field Force order dated Nov. 18 last, making the following medical arrangements:—Directing Asst. surg. E. A. Fitzgerald to assume med. charge of No. 7 company sappers and miners, and detachments of art. att. to the right column.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Lieut. A. C. Hennessy, 2nd squad. officer, 14th B cav., from Aug. 25 to Oct. 15, 1864, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Mussoorie, on m.c.

Royal Art.—Lieut. F. P. W. Freeman, No. 5 baty. 24th brig., from date of embark., to England, via the Cape, m.c., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

2nd Drag. Gds.—Surg. T. F. Wall, from Nov. 24 to Dec. 24, 1864, to Calcutta, on m.c.

7th Drag. Gds.—Col. W. C. Forrest, from Jan. 1 to Jan. 2, to Calcutta, and thence to England, for 15 mo.

19th Foot.—Lieut. M. Tucker, 2nd batt., from date of embark., to England via the Cape, m.c., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

20th Foot.—Lieut. col. G. Bennett, 1st batt., from Feb. 8 to March 8, Calcutta, prep. to leave to England.

28th Foot.—Capt. T. E. Adams, from date of embarkation of regiment, to remain at Bombay for 3 mo., pending his exchange into the 45th foot.

35th Foot.—Col. C. Beamish, from date of embarkation, to England, via either route, m.c.

95th Foot.—Lieut. col. G. C. Vials, from June 20 to Sept. 20, in ext., to remain in England.

97th Foot.—Capt. A. R. N. Gould, from date of embarkation, to England, for 17 mo., doing duty with troops on voyage.

107th Foot.—Ensign W. M. Playfair, from 25th to 27th Sept., in ext., priv. leave, to enable him to rejoin.

Late 12th N.I.—Lieut. J. L. Ferris, doing duty 44th N.I., from Oct. 6 to Nov. 14 last, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

Late 21st N.I.—Capt. T. G. Ross, doing duty 15th Bengal cav., from Jan. 1 to Sept. 30, to proceed to Darjeeling, m.c.

Late 73rd N.I.—Capt. C. N. McMullin, doing duty at Meerut, from Dec. 12 to Jan. 31, to Calcutta, for the purpose of passing in the native languages.

H.M.'S 89TH FOOT.

Head Qrs. Calcutta, Jan. 18.—Under instructions from Govt., H.E. the C. in C. is pleased to direct that the 89th regt. be held in readiness to return to England, and that the soldiers of this regt. desirous of extending their service in India, be allowed to volunteer to inf., under the rules and restrictions prescribed in G.G.O. No. 695 of Nov. 17, 1863.

Jan. 24.—Maj. G. A. St. P. Fooks, staff corps, is permitted to continue doing duty with the wing of the 48th foot at Dum-Dum until its departure to England, and then to do general duty at the presidency instead of at Meerut, as announced in G.O.C.C. of Nov. 1.

Lieut. J. W. Ridgeway, gen. list, inf., recently returned from leave to Europe, is apptd. to do duty with the 1st batt. 20th foot at Roorkee, and directed to join.

Staff surg. D. F. Rennie, M.D., will take med. charge of the 54th foot until further orders.

Surg. W. Poole, 54th foot, on being relieved by Surg. Rennie, will proceed to Chinsurah, and assume med. charge of the depot at that station as a temp. arrangement.

The undermentioned medical officers, arrived for the first time in India, will proceed without delay to Lucknow, and report themselves for duty to the Dep. Inspector gen. of hospitals, British troops, Lucknow.

Staff Asst. surgs. R. C. C. Hickson and H. H. Phillips, M.B.

Under the provisions of G.G.O. No. 585 of Sept. 24, 1852, the undermentioned officers are permitted

to study at the Thomason College, Roorkee, from Jan. 1 to Nov. 1, 1865:—

Ens. E. B. Bishop, 54th foot.

Lieut. A. C. B. Wither, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. E. Molloy, gen. list, inf., is app. to do duty with the 19th N.I. at Allypore, and directed to join. Surg. J. C. Bow, m.d., recently returned from furl. to Europe, is app. garrison surg. of Chunar, v. Surg. J. C. Corby, m.b.

The following orders by Capt. E. F. Gregory, 98th foot, comdg. detachment of invalids, en route to the Presidency, are confirmed:—

Dated 22nd ult.—Directing Lieut. C. G. Heathcote, 98th foot, and Lieut. G. T. C. Moore, 42nd foot, to do duty with the detachment.

Dated 24th ult.—Appointing Lieut. C. G. Heathcote, 98th foot, to act as adjt. to the detachment.

The following Lahore div. orders are confirmed:—

Dated 3rd ult.—Appointing Lieut. W. W. Chard, 1st batt. 7th foot, to do duty with the detachment of invalids and time-expired men proceeding to port of embarkation.

Dated 27th ult.—Appointing Ens. H. W. Nicholson, of the 82nd foot, to proceed to Mooltan for duty with the detachment of invalids, &c., proceeding to port of embarkation, under the command of Major Miller.

The following Benares div. order is confirmed:—

Dated 4th inst.—Appointing Major R. W. Chambers, staff corps, to act as station interpreter, v. Lieut. G. A. P. Arbuthnot, late 4th European L.C.

The foll. presy. div. orders are confirmed:—

Dated 4th ult.—Directing Lieut. col. A. L. McMullin, staff corps, to do gen. duty at Barrackpore.

Dated the 17th ult.—Directg. Lieut. R. Shakespear, gen. list, inf., doing duty 31st N.I., to do duty with the 36th N.I., at Alipore.

The following orders are confirmed:—

Dugshai station order dated Oct. 31 last, appg. Capt. G. Wedderburne, 1st batt. 7th foot, station staff, v. Lieut. and adjt. J. E. Christie, 42nd foot, resigned.

Agra garrison and station order dated the 4th ult., directg. Asst. surg. A. S. L. Hepworth, E. batty. A brig. royal horse art., to receive over med. charge of the A. batty. C. brig. royal horse art., from Asst. surg. J. R. Murray, m.d., who on being relieved will proceed to Jhansi, his services being urgently required there.

Saugor district order dated 7th ult., directing Surg. H. Stewart, R.A., to assume med. charge of the Dep. Inspector gen.'s office from the 8th idem, pending the arrival of Dep. Inspector gen. J. Bowhill, m.d.

By the officer commanding the 14th N.I., dated 14th ult., directing Capt. L. H. Williams, offg. 2nd in com. and wing officer, to assume command in addition to his other duties, with effect from the 13th idem, v. Lieut. col. C. C. G. Ross, proceeded on sick leave.

By the officer commanding the 16th N.I., dated 29th ult., appg. Lieut. D. R. Clarke, late 55th N.I., offg. doing duty officer, to offic. as adjt., v. Lieut. W. G. Cubitt, v.c., app. offic. wing officer.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Horse Art.—Lieut. I. Ketchen (C baty. D brig.), from date of embarkation at Bombay, to England via the overland route, on m.c.

12th Foot.—Asst. surg. T. Walsh (2nd batt.), from Nov. 15, 1864, to Dec. 15, 1864, to remain in Calcutta, on m.c.

8th Foot.—Capt. J. Baird (1st batt.), from date of embarkation at Madras, to England via the overland route, on m.c.

38th Foot.—Ens. C. A. S. Menteath, from Dec. 16, 1864, to Jan. 16, to Calcutta, on m.c.

54th Foot.—Lieut. C. S. Chapman, from Dec. 16, 1864, to Jan. 16, to Calcutta, on m.c.

66th Foot.—Ens. A. C. Addison, from date of embarkation at Madras, to England for 12 mo.

10th Madras N.I.—Lieut. col. H. C. Gosling, from Jan. 1 to Jan. 31, in ext.

Late 34th N.I.—Capt. F. H. Henner, from Jan. 1 to March 31, to remain in the Nagpore district; and Lieut. col. P. H. K. Dewaal, from Jan. 1 to March 1, to the presidency, prepy. to applying for leave to Europe, on m.c.

Late 74th N.I.—Lieut. J. E. Kennedy (doing duty 11th N.I.), from Oct. 15, 1864, to Oct. 26, 1864, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

Jan. 26.—With reference to G.O.C.C. of Oct. 10 last, H.R.H. the Field-Marshal Commanding-in-Chief has been pleased to confirm the transfer of 3rd class schoolmaster E. Carthew from the 77th to the 88th foot, as a temp. measure only.

Staff Asst. surg. J. Atkinson will proceed to Agra

without delay, for duty with F. batty. 22nd brig. R.A., v. Asst. surg. J. H. White, dec.

Asst. surg. J. R. Murray, 107th foot, will join his corps at Allahabad on being relieved of medical charge of B. batty. 22nd brig. royal artillery by Asst. surg. T. H. White, m.d., royal artillery, who has been ordered to Jhansi for that purpose.

The following Agra garrison and station order is confirmed:—

Dated Nov. 14.—Apptg. Lieut. J. L. Ferris, late 12th N.I., doing duty 44th N.I., staff officer to right centre column.

Dated Nov. 27.—Apptg. Capt. E. K. O. Gilbert, staff corps, attached to the 3rd Goorkha regt., staff officer to left centre column.

Dated 10th ult.—Apptg. Lieut. A. C. Anderson, 5th Ben. cav., to officiate as major of brigade, v. Lieut. C. M. McGregor, wounded, with effect from 6th idem.

The following Presidency division orders are confirmed:—

Dated Nov. 28.—Directing Maj. E. A. Rowlett, staff corps, returned from furlough to Europe, to do general duty in the division, and placing Sergeants Kelly, of the 55th, and Muller, of the 48th foot, at the disposal of the commissariat dept. for duty, as a temporary arrangement.

Directing Capt. R. A. Nowell, staff corps, to do duty with the wing of the 36th N.I. at Barrackpore.

Dated Nov. 30.—Directing the following medical arrangements:—

Asst. surg. T. Dillon to proceed to Meerut, and afford medical aid to the 12th Bengal cav.

Dated 5th ult.—Directing Asst. surg. W. J. Palmer, officiating 2nd asst. surg. to the general hospital, to assume medical charge of the left wing of the 36th N.I., as a temporary measure.

Dated 12th ult.—Directing Capt. and brev. maj. W. H. Lowther, late 52nd N.I., to do general duty at Berhampore.

Dated 13th ult.—Directing Asst. surg. J. Fawcus, m.d., officiating 2nd asst. surg. to the general hospital, to assume medical charge of the left wing 36th N.I., v. Asst. surg. W. J. Palmer, prom.

Dated 17th ult.—Directing Asst. surg. W. Watson, m.b., returned from furlough to Europe, to proceed to Chinsurah and assume medical charge of a detachment proceeding up country as far as Allahabad.

Dated 28th ult.—Directing Lieut. J. F. Trevanion, late 21st N.I., to do duty with 38th N.I.

Dated 4th inst.—Directing Staff asst. surg. E. J. Hatchell, attached to 55th foot, to assume medical charge of detachment of 17th N.I., v. Surg. A. Fleming, m.d., civil surg. at Moorsheadabad.

Directing Staff surg. maj. E. Menzies and Asst. surg. T. Maunsell, royal artillery, to proceed at the public expense, the former to Agra to assume medical charge of the 1st batt. 23rd foot, v. Surg. maj. P. S. Laing, invalided, and the latter to Benares to assume charge of 58th foot, v. Surg. P. H. E. Cross, reported sick.

Dated 5th inst.—Directing Capt. G. D. Crawford, late 18th N.I., to do duty with 31st N.I., as a temp. measure.

Dated 6th inst.—Directing Asst. surg. J. G. Grant, 48th foot, to afford medical aid to No. 3 batty. 25th brig. royal artillery at Dum Dum.

Dated the 7th inst.—Directing Asst. surg. T. H. White, on being relieved of the med. charge of the 80th foot, to proceed and join B. batty. 22nd brig. royal art., at Jhansi.

The foll. Cawnpore brig. orders are confirmed:—
Dated the 19th ult.—Appg. Capt. K. J. W. Coghill, maj. of brig., to act temp. as station interpreter in add. to his other duties, there being no qualified officer available, v. Major A. S. Allen, staff corps, appd. wing officer to the 5th N.I.

The following orders are confirmed:—
Nagode station order dated Oct. 10 last, appg. Lieut. W. V. F. G. Jacob, late 6th Eur. regt., doing duty 38th N.I., to offic. as station staff.

Rawul Pindee brig. order dated the 15th ult., appg. Asst. surg. R. T. Lyons, of the 20th N.I., to assume med. charge of the staff and civil duties, v. Surg. D. McDonald, proceeded with his regt. towards Dugshai.

By the officer comdg. the 14th N.I., dated the 31st ult., directing Major C. W. Miles, offg. 2nd in com. and wing officer, to offic. as comdnt., v. Lieut. col. C. C. G. Ross, on sick leave.

The Meerut div. order dated Oct. 21 last, confirmed in G.O.C.C. of Nov. 17, appg. Lieut. E. O'B. Horsford, late 46th N.I., doing duty 1st batt. 20th foot, to the charge of the depot, 3rd Goorkha regt., is can.

Erratum.—In G.O. of May 9 last, confirming the

appt. of Capt. F. J. Ellis, late 58th N.I., to the charge of adjt.'s office, after the words "Capt. F. J. Ellis, late 58th N.I.," insert "is appd. acting adjt., and will receive charge, &c."

Leave of absence:—

Royal Horse Artillery.—Lieut. F. H. Thompson (D batty. D brig.), from date of embarkation, to England, by the overland route, on m.c.

Royal Artillery.—Capt. H. V. Timbrell (A batty. 16th brig.), from Feb. 9, 1865, to May 9, 1866, to England; Capt. J. McNeill (acting adj. 17th brig. R.A.), from date of embarkation, to England, via overland route, on m.c.; and Lieut. J. G. Edwardes (G batty. 18th brig.), from date of embarkation, to England, via Egypt, on m.c.

4th Foot.—Qmr. W. Connell, from date of embarkation, to England, via Egypt, on m.c.

23rd Foot.—Surg. major P. S. Laing (1st batt.), from date of leaving regiment, to Calcutta, for 1 mo., on m.c.

85th Foot.—Col. C. Beamish, from Dec. 10, 1864, to Jan. 10, 1865, to Calcutta, on m.c.

38th Foot.—Ensign L. W. Lee, from Dec. 26, 1864, to Jan. 16, 1865, to Calcutta, on m.c.

54th Foot.—Lieut. C. S. Chapman, from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, on m.c.

80th Foot.—Capt. C. J. R. Tyler, from date of embarkation, to England, for 15 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

Madras Med. Estab.—Surg. J. Wilson (attached to 20th brig. R.A.), from Jan. 15 to Feb. 15, on m.c.

RETURN HOME OF THE 71ST HIGHLANDERS.

Head Quarters, Calcutta, Jan. 27.—The services of the 71st Highland light infantry in India entitle them on their departure for England to honourable mention in general orders.

A wing of the regiment on their arrival in India in 1858 joined the Central India Field Force, and H.E. therefore is enabled to bear testimony to the good services which they performed, and the excellent spirit which they displayed during that campaign.

The regiment more recently distinguished itself under their commanding officer, Colonel Hope, c.b., in the late operations on the frontier.

Sir Hugh Rose cannot, in justice to military merit, speak of the 71st in a general order without reverting to an earlier period, when in two great campaigns in Europe they won a reputation which has earned them an honoured page in history.

Sir Hugh Rose's best wishes attend this distinguished regiment on their leaving his command for home.

Exchanges.

Military.—No. 389.

India-office, London, Dec. 9, 1864.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

SIR,—With reference to my letter, dated Nov. 23. No. 365, I have now to inform you that the F.M. C. in C. proposes to issue a G.O. to the officers of the army on the subject of exchanges of such officers with officers of the staff corps.

2. It appears desirable to H.R.H. that officers of the staff corps who wish to exchange should submit with their applications the recommendation and certificate laid down in para. 19, page 69, of the Queen's Regulations, to the effect that the exchange does not originate in any regimental proceeding of any kind, or in any cause affecting the honour and character of the officer concerned.

3. As, however, officers of the staff corps serve every variety of position, civil and military, H.R.H. further considers that the "recommendation" in their case should be signed by the Adjutant-general of the army of the presidency in which they serve, as an evidence of fitness for line service and the declaration countersigned by the commanding officer or head of department under whose orders they may be at the time of application.

4. Your Government will issue the necessary instructions for carrying out these views.—I have, &c.,
(Signed) C. Wood.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

From Jan. 28 to Feb. 12.

Mr. R. A. Dalrymple, sub sec. to the board of revenue, to act as sec. to the board of revenue, during the absence of Mr. Huddleston on leave, or on further orders.

Mr. A. R. Hutchins, to act as sub coll. and joint mag. of the Kistna dist., during the employment of

Mr. Cockerell on other duty, or until further orders—to join immediately.

Mr. J. H. Nelson, to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Madura, during the employment of Mr. Hutchins on other duty, or until further orders.

Lieut. A. T. Rolland, Madras staff corps, to be prob. superint. of police in Tanjore, v. Capt. D'Arcy, vacated his appt.

Lieut. T. H. B. Young, to be prob. asst. superint. of police in Coimbatore, v. Rolland—to continue to do duty in South Arcot until further orders.

The undermen. officer having been absent on m.c. in England beyond the period prescribed in para. 13, G.O.G. No. 288, of Dec. 5, military dept., vacates his appt., from Jan. 28.

Capt. F. D'Arcy, 32nd regt. N.I., prob. superint. of police in Tanjore.

Capt. D'Arcy's services are placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C. from the above date.

Mr. S. D. Birch is permitted to resign the Madras C.S. from Feb. 28 next, and is admitted to an annuity from that date, under the terms of the despatch from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, dated Nov. 25, 1862, No. 78.

Leave of absence:—

The Right Rev. the Bishop has granted the Rev. W. S. Trotman, B.A., Joint Chaplain of Kamptee and Seetabuldee, priv. leave for 3 mo., from Mar. 5.

Mr. J. R. Arbuthnot, head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kurnool, for 1 year, to proc. to Europe, on furl.

Mr. F. H. Woodroffe, asst. to the coll. and mag. of Vizagapatam, for 15 mo., to proc. to Europe, on m.c., with prep. leave for 13 days.

Transfers:—

Capt. H. W. Wood, R.E., acting exec. engr., 3rd class, from Bangalore to the Presidency.

Capt. H. Tulloch, R.E., exec. engr., 2nd class, from special duty at the Presidency to Bangalore.

No. 142.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to accept the res. by Dr. J. C. Campbell of his appt. of Durbar surg. at Mysore, and to replace his serv. at the disp. of the Madras Govt.

Dr. A. A. Renton, of the Madras med. estab., is appd. to offic. as Durbar surg. at Mysore till further orders.

Maj. E. L. Grant, late 1st Madras fus., is appd. station staff officer of the convalescent depot at Wellington, under the provisions of G.O.G., Jan. 13, No. 20.

The serv. of Asst. surg. J. Law, M.D., are placed at the disp. of the Govt. of India, for employment as civil asst. surg. of Saugor.

Lieut. G. Murray, 21st regt. N.I., is appd. adjt. of that corps.

Lieut. C. B. Smith, inf. gen. list, acting qrmr. and interp. 13th regt. N.I., will do duty with the 40th regt. N.I., and is appd. acting qrmr. and interp. of that corps.

Leave of Absence.—The undermen. officers are perm. to proceed to Europe:—

Maj. E. B. Ramsay, of the staff corps, military asst. to the comr. of Mysore, on furl. for 6 mo., under the regulations of 1854.

Lieut. G. Tyndall, adjt. 1st regt. N.I., on furl. for 2 yrs., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Bombay.

Lieut. F. C. Steer, of the late 3rd Madras Eur. regt., for 12 mo., under the new regs. m.c.

Capt. T. Wakefield, of the Madras staff corps, asst. comr., Central Provinces, for 20 mo. on m.c.

Late 41th Regt. N.I.—Capt. (Brev. maj.) F. M. Davis, from date of departure till April 15—Madras, prep. to applying for furl. to Eur.

Medical Dept.—Insp. gen. of hospitals D. Macpherson, M.D., from date of departure from Madras for 60 days—Calcutta, priv. leave.

Late 6th Regt. L.C.—Capt. (Brev. maj.) G. H. M. Aynsley, doing duty 2nd regt. L.C., from March 6 to June 6, the first 60 days to be priv. leave, Madras and Neilgherries—Private affairs.

60th Rifles.—Surg. R. E. Fitzgibbon, 3rd batln., in continuation for 2 mo.—Neilgherries, m.c.

Lieut. col. R. O'Connell, 14th brigade R.A., from date of embarkation to England, on m.c.

Capt. W. Crozier, 1st batt., 18th foot, from date of embarkation at Bombay, to England, on m.c.

Maj. A. J. Shulldham, 108th foot, from date of embarkation to England, via the Cape, on m.c.

Capt. (brev. maj.) R. S. Couchman, 12th regt. N.I., from March 1 to Oct. 31, the first 60 days to be priv. leave, to Neilgherries, Mysore, and Madras.

2nd Capt. C. Raikes, D battery, 23rd brig. R.A., from Feb. 15, or date of departure, for 4 mo., the first 60 days to be priv. leave, to Cannanore, Neilgherries, and Western Coast.

Lieut. C. H. Smith, 32nd regt. N.I., from Feb. 6 to April 6, to Bombay and Cannanore, priv. leave.

Returned to duty:—

Lieut. H. W. Bairnsfather, inf., gen. list, doing duty 6th regt. N.I.; arrived at Madras on Jan. 24.

Madras Staff Corps.—The admission to the Staff Corps of the undermentioned officers is to have effect from the dates now specified against their names, instead of from those indicated in G.O.G. Jan. 20, 1865, No. 30.

Lieut. J. W. Macdougall, royal (Madras) art., asst. comsgr., Central Provinces; Feb. 2, 1864.

Lieut. A. S. Grove, cadre 42nd regt. N.I., late adjt. 42nd regt. N.I.; Dec. 1, 1862.

The undermentioned officer having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provisions of para. 2 of G.O.G. No. 531 of 1864, republished in Madras G.O.G. July 22, 1864, No. 276, is admitted thereto from date specified against his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. E. W. C. H. Miller, 8th regt. N.I., asst. conservator of the Nuggur Forests in Mysore; Oct. 30, 1863.

Lieut. W. H. M. Franchlyne, inf., gen. list, doing duty 2nd regt. N.I., has obtained a certificate of qualification in surveying.

Postings:—

Brigadier gen. R. N. Faunce, to Malabar and Canara.

Brigade major A. K. C. Kennedy, to the Northern division; to join.

Removals:—

Maj. (brev. lieut. col.) E. W. Boudier, late 51st regt. N.I., from doing duty 33rd regt. N.I., to do duty with 38th regt. N.I., on duty at the public expense.

Maj. H. S. Rammell, staff corps, from doing duty under orders of officer comdg. centre div., to do duty under orders of officer comdg. Mysore div.

Lieut. H. W. Bairnsfather, inf. gen. list, from doing duty 6th regt. N.I., to do duty with 38th regt. N.I.; on duty at the public expense.

Asst. surg. W. Doyle, from doing duty dep. insp. gen.'s dept., southern div. 17th regt. N.I.

Asst. surg. J. Bilderbeck, from doing duty 17th regt. N.I., dep. insp. gen.'s dept., presidency div.

HINDOOSTANEE.

The undermen. officers have been examined in the Hindoostanee language:—

Capt. C. J. Richards, 38th regt. N.I., Madras; Lieut. C. T. F. Luxmoore, late 1st Madras fus., doing duty 14th regt. N.I., Bangalore; qualified for the gen. staff under para. 11, G.O.C.C., 6th July, 1853, No. 46.

Lieut. L. F. Campbell, late 50th regt. N.I., doing duty 33rd regt. N.I., Bangalore; Lieut. A. Anderson, G.L., doing duty 35th regt. N.I., Malacca; passed the examination prescribed for officers of companies.

No. 60.—Promotions.—The Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following prom., subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Brevet.

Lieut. A. B. Irving, of the staff corps, to be capt., from Feb. 10.

Retirement.—Surg. major J. C. Campbell is permitted to retire from the service on a pension of £550 per annum, with effect from Jan. 31, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India.

Removals and Postings.—The following removal and postings are ordered:—

Lieut. col. C. P. Y. Triscott, from late prom. to 7th regt. N.I.

Lieut. J. D. Dale, from late prom. to 28th regt. N.I.

Lieut. col. R. A. Doria, from 28th regt. N.I., to 22nd regt. N.I.

Vernacular Examination.—Lieut. A. Curtois, gen. list, acting adjt., body guard—Madras: Telooogo, creditable progress.

Lieut. J. Healey, 66th foot—Madras: Tamil, creditable progress.

The Moonshiee allowance to be disbursed to Lieuts. Curtois and Healey.

BOMBAY.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Jan. 20.—No. 84.—Surg. St. J. Stanley is directed to proceed to Kurrachee, to assume med. charge of the depot at that station. Asst. surg. Murphy, on being relieved by Dr. Stanley, will proceed to Hyderabad, and assume med. charge of the detachment 109th foot.

These officers will travel at the public expense.

No. 92.—Leave of absence:—

2nd Capt. R. Stevenson, R.A. (21st brig.) to England by the overland route, m.c.

Brev. col. J. E. Collings, 33rd foot, to England by the overland route, m.c.

Ens. W. H. Webb, 109th foot, to England by the overland route, m.c.

These officers are not available for duty with troops, and will, on arrival, report themselves to the adjt. gen., Horse Guards.

Lieut. J. L. Egginton, 3rd drag. gds., from Jan. 18, to Jan. 31, to Bombay, on m.c.

Asst. surg. T. Wood, M.D., 45th foot, from Jan. 23, to March 5, on m.c.

Capt. T. O. Howorth, 44th foot, from Jan. 13, to Jan. 31, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final certificate to Eur.

Lieut. and adjt. S. De B. Edwardes, 2nd gr. regt. N.I., from Jan. 20, to Feb. 19, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final certificate to Eur.

Capt. J. Campbell, 22nd regt. N.I., from Nov. 26, 1864, to May 25, 1865, to Bombay, on private affairs.

No. 97.—The undermen. officers are reported to have passed the required examination in native languages as follows on Jan. 10:—

Hindoostanee—Interpreter's Test.

Lieut. C. A. Davies and Cornet G. R. Hodgson, 3rd dragoon guards.

Hindoostanee—Staff Test.

Lieut. M. F. Cousmaker, gen. list, attached to sappers and miners.

Maj. W. L. Cahusac, cadre 11th regt. N.I.

Lieut. G. Bannister, cadre 16th regt. N.I.

No. 98.—Capt. J. Miles, cadre 3rd Eur. regt., is placed on general duty, Bombay.

Poona, Jan. 28.—No. 112.—The order dated Jan. 14, by officer comdg. 72nd foot, appg. Lieut. Sherlock asst. instructor of musketry to the regt., v. Lieut. Guinness, relieved, is confirmed.

No. 114.—The following have leave to England, overland, m.c.:—

Royal Art.—Lieut. M. J. Clarke, 14th brigade.

3rd Drag. Gds.—Lieut. and adjt. J. L. Egginton.

Feb. 1.—No. 118.—Lieut. col. Forbes, C.B., cadre 3rd regt. L.C., is placed on gen. duty at Hyderabad, Scinde, and will proceed to that station at the public expense.

No. 119.—H.R.H. the Field Marshal C. in C. has sanctioned Lieut. M. C. Newall, 18th brig. royal art., joining at Shoeburyness on Jan. 1, for the purpose of going through the long course of instructions at the School of Gunnery.

BIRTHS.

BRIDGER—At Calcutta, Jan. 26, the wife of Capron Bridger, Esq., Deputy Shipping Master, of a daughter.

BRADSHAW—At Meerut, Jan. 7, the wife of Assistant Surgeon A. F. Bradshaw, 2nd Battalion, P.C.O. Rifle Brigade, of a son.

CARTER—At Calcutta, Jan. 21, the wife of Henry Carter, of a daughter.

CORMACK—At Darjeeling, Jan. 27, the wife of John T. Cormack, Esq., of a son.

CLARK—At Bogwolah, Feb. 1, the wife of Mr. George B. Clark, of a daughter.

CLARK—At Calcutta, Feb. 5, the wife of W. Clark, Esq., C.E., of a daughter.

DOVETON—At Mozufferpore, Tirhoot, Jan. 31, the wife of H. Doveton, Esq., of a daughter.

DYSON—At Calcutta, Jan. 27, the wife of Thomas Dyson, Esq., Bank of Bengal, of a son.

FARQUHARSON—At Calcutta, Feb. 1, the wife of D. E. Farquharson, Esq., of a son.

HUNTER—At Beerbhoom, Jan. 27, the wife of W. W. Hunter, Esq., C.S., of a son.

KNEEBONE—At Calcutta, Feb. 4, the wife of G. A. Kneebone, Esq., of a daughter.

KING—At Nazeerah, Upper Assam, Jan. 23, the wife of H. O. King, Esq., of a son.

LOWE—At Gorgaum, Feb. 7, the wife of J. R. Lowe, Esq., of a daughter.

LEES—At Akyab, Arracan, Jan. 30, the wife of L. H. Lees, Esq., M.D., Civil Surgeon, of a daughter.

M'ALLUM—At Secunderabad, Jan. 5, the wife of D. C. M'Allum, M.D., Hyderabad Contingent, of a son.

NEWMAN—At Cochin, Feb. 1, the wife of F. Newman, Esq., of a daughter.

SHERMAN—At Berhampore, Jan. 26, the wife of Mr. G. J. Sherman, Bengal Police, of a daughter.

TIMS—At Calcutta, Jan. 21, the wife of T. L. Tims, Esq., of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BROOKE—BROOKE.—At Bubnowlie, Jan. 16, Chas. John Brooke, Esq., son of the Rev. R. P. Brooke, to Mary Melling Brooke, youngest daughter of the Rev. Thomas Brooke, Rector of Nantwich, Cheshire.

BARCHARD—SIDDALL.—At Buxar, on the 26th Jan., Major C. H. Barchard, c.b., H.M.'s Indian Army, to Ann, youngest daughter of the late J. Siddall, Esq., of the Royal Horse Guards Blue.

CRAWFORD—MACKINTOSH.—At Allahabad, on the 31st Jan., at the Trinity Church, James Armstrong Crawford, Esq., East India Railway, to Annie Sarah, relict of the late Edwin Mackintosh, Esq.

COLLIS—GRANT.—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, Jan. 25, Stephen Collis, Esq., to Sophie Thomson, second daughter of the late Rev. F. W. Grant, A.M., of Banff, Scotland.

GRANT—LE COULTRIE.—At St. Andrew's Church, Calcutta, Jan. 27, James H. Grant, Esq., to Mademoiselle Eugénie Alice Le Coultrie, youngest daughter of Monsieur Ami Le Coultrie, Juge Cantonal, Lausanne.

GREY—PLOWDEN.—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, Jan. 26, William Grey, Esq., Bengal C.S., to Georgina Chicheley, eldest daughter of Trevor Chicheley Plowden, Esq.

LATHAM—YOUNG.—At the Cathedral, Madras, Feb. 7, J. H. Latham, M.A., Fellow of Clare College, Cambridge, Civil Engineer, to Rosina H., eldest daughter of Lieut.-col. H. Young, of Bedford, England.

MENDES—ISAAC.—At Boitokhanah Church, Calcutta, on the 1st Feb., Henry Mendes to Angelica Isaac.

MACDOUGALL—RANKING.—At Secunderabad, on the 2nd Feb., J. Macdougall, Esq., 41st Regt. M.N.I., eldest son of Colonel Macdougall, late of the Madras Army, to Emily M. F., eldest daughter of Surg. Major J. S. Ranking, Madras Medical Service.—Also, at the same time and place, W. L. Ranking, Esq., General List, with 32nd Regt. M.N.I., to Jane Fanny, eldest daughter of Lieut.-col. W. Williams, 3rd Regt. M.N.I.

ROBERTSON—O'BRIEN.—At St. Thomas' Church, Middleton Row, Calcutta, on the 2nd Feb., James Alexander Robertson, Esq., to Annie Augusta, eldest daughter of the late Edmund O'Brien, Esq.—No cards.

RENNY—WESTON.—At Ramnaghur, Jessore, on the 25th Jan., Hercules G. Renny, Esq., Assistant Superintendent Bengal Police, to Margaret Agnes, eldest daughter of J. Weston, Esq., Judge, I.C.C.—No cards.

SIMEON—MYLE.—At Calcutta, Jan. 30, at the Armenian Church, Job Simeon, Esq., to Miss Eliza Myle, youngest daughter of A. Myle, Esq.

DEATHS.

BRYANT.—At Spence's Hotel, Calcutta, Jan. 24, George Bryant, Esq., Intendant of the Presidency Opium Godowns, aged 49.

BANKS.—At Royapettah, Madras, Feb. 2 of cholera, Emma, the wife of the Rev. J. S. Banks, Wesleyan Missionary, Shimoga, Mysore.

CURRIE.—At Malabar-hill, Bombay, Jan. 10, W. C. Currie, Esq., son of Sir Frederick Currie, Bart., and Manager of the East India Bank.

DE CRUZ.—At Cavel, Jan. 31, Francis De Cruz, Esq., Assistant, Political Dept., Secretariate, aged 40.

GRANT.—At Calcutta, Feb. 2, Robert Grant, Esq., aged 44.

MACCARTHY.—At Madras, Feb. 5, Capt. Popham Tenison MacCarthy, Royal Artillery, aged 29, eldest son of D. MacCarthy, Esq., of Carbery, Hants, and grandson of the late Admiral Sir Home Popham, K.C.B. and K.M.

PERNON.—At Bimlipatam, Jan. 28, Mrs. Charles Pernon, widow of the late C. Pernon, Esq., of Pondicherry.

PYE.—At Marine Lines Esplanade, Bombay, Katharine, infant daughter of Lieut. Pye.

RAIKES.—In the Goojeranwalla District, near Lahore, suddenly, by the fall of his horse, Lieut. Edward Augustus Rakes, of the Bengal Royal Staff Corps.

STEWART.—At Sangor, Feb. 6, Emma May, the infant daughter of Dr. Haldane Stewart, Royal Artillery.

SINCLAIR.—At Belgaum, Feb. 8, Caroline, the wife of George Sinclair.

SWINHORE.—At Calcutta, Jan. 23, William, infant son of Mr. William Swinhoe, Solicitor.

TULLOCH.—At sea, on board the str. *Arabistan*, Jan. 5, on his passage from Bombay to Calcutta, Capt. H. C. Tulloch.

URQUHART.—Jan. 29, Lieut. Urquhart, killed in action before Dewangire, Bhootan.

WORSLEY.—At Breach Candy House, near Bombay, Jan. 24, infant son of Francis Worsley, Esq., Commander of the ship *Cheshire*.

WELD.—At Chunar, Jan. 18, Sarah H., the wife of Major George Weld, Bengal Staff Corps.

YOUNG.—At the Adyar, Madras, Feb. 6, Henry Howard Mackenzie, infant son of John Young, Esq., aged 6 months.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c.,
IN H.M.'s REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA.

March 3.

19th Hussars.—Lieut. gen. J. Hall, to be col., v. Gen. W. Pattle, c.b.

Royal Regt. of Artillery.—Maj. gen. E. Sabine to be col. comdt., v. Gen. G. Cobbe, dec.

Royal Artillery.—Brev. col., with temp. rank of Brig. gen., J. H. Lefroy to be col., v. J. McCoy, removed as a gen. officer; Brig. maj. C. R. O. Evans, to be lieut. col., v. Brev. col. Lefroy; 2nd Capt. C. B. Brackenbury to be capt., v. Brev. maj. Evans; Lieut. C. D. Chalmers to be 2nd Capt., v. Brackenbury.—Feb. 9. The second Christian name of 2nd Capt. Smith is Montagu, not Montague, as stated in the *Gazette* of Dec. 16. Gentleman Cadet H. S. Ford, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., v. Chalmers; gent. Cadet F. Howard, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., v. W. S. Poole, seconded on account of ill health; gent. Cadet G. H. Palmer, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., v. F. H. Wheatley, seconded on account of ill health.

4th Foot.—Lieut. B. H. Vidal, from the 2nd W.I. regt., to be lieut., v. Sayce, who excs.

23rd Foot.—Lieut. G. F. R. Colt to be capt., by pur., v. G. W. Marsden, who rets.; Ens. G. A. Dawson to be lieut., by pur., v. Colt; C. J. Gilbert, gent., to be ens., by pur., v. Dawson.

42nd Foot.—Ens. A. M. Creagh to be lieut., by pur., v. H. J. Bramley, who rets.; S. G. Hulse, gent., to be ens. by pur., v. Creagh.

BREVET.

Paymaster T. Hunt, R.A., to have the hon. rank of capt.

Deputy Commissary J. Brooke, Public Works Dept. (Bengal), to have the hon. rank of lieut.

The undermentioned promotions to take place consequent on the decease of Lieut. gen. R. Powney, Royal (late Bengal) Art., on the 23rd Jan.:—

Maj. gen. G. Conran, Royal (late Madras) Art., to be lieut. gen.

Col. C. S. Reid, Royal (late Bengal) Art., to be maj. gen.

The undermentioned promotions to take place consequent on the decease of Gen. G. Cobbe, R.A., on the 8th Feb.:—

Lieut. gen. A. C. Mercer, R.A., to be gen.

Maj. gen. J. E. Dupuis, c.b., R.A., to be lieut. gen.

Col. J. McCoy, R.A., to be maj. gen.

Maj. W. A. Armstrong, depot batt., R.A., to be lieut. col.

Capt. A. W. Cameron, 92nd Foot, to be maj.

The undermentioned promotions to take place consequent on the decease of Gen. W. Pattle, c.b., Col. 19th Hussars, on 9th Feb.:—

Lieut. gen. John Drummond to be gen.

Maj. gen. G. H. Mackinnon, c.b., Col. 29th Foot, to be lieut. gen.

Brev. col. Lord Henry H. Manvers Percy, from lieut. col. h.p., late Grenadier Guards, to be maj. gen.

Maj. S. Hackett, h.p. unatt., to be lieut. col.

Capt. J. D. Reece, 2nd West India Regt., to be maj.

March 7.

Royal Artillery.—Staff asst. surg. R. Henry to be asst. surg., v. W. D. Smythe, dec.

18th Foot.—Staff surg. J. H. Lewis to be surg., v. W. Stewart, M.D., app. to 21st foot.

21st Foot.—Surg. W. Stewart, M.D., from 18th foot, to be surg., v. Surg. maj. W. H. Mackintosh, M.D., app. to the staff.

48th Foot.—Capt. J. R. Lovett to be maj., without purch., v. W. Pownall, dec.; Lieut. R. Eyre to be capt., without purch., v. Lovett; Ens. W. B. Beatty to be lieut., without purch., v. Eyre; Ens. J. Talbot to be lieut., by purch., v. W. B. Beatty,

whose prom., by purch., on Feb. 14, has been cancelled; Ens. G. A. Lewes, from 16th foot, to be ens., v. Talbot.

60th Foot.—Lieut. G. C. Kelly to be capt., without purch., v. B. B. Forsyth, drowned; Lieut. M. Tilford to be capt., without purch., v. Kelly, whose prom., without purch., on Oct. 28, 1864, has been cancelled; Ens. R. D. Elphinstone to be lieut., without purch., v. Tilford; Ens. G. L. M'L. Farmer to be lieut., by purch., v. Elphinstone, whose prom., by purch., on Oct. 28, 1864, has been cancelled; Gent. cadet W. Forster, from the Royal Military College, to be ens., without purch., v. Farmer.

88th Foot.—Lieut. L. C. Scott to be capt., without purch., v. T. E. Anderson, who rets. upon full pay.

Medical Dept.—Surg. maj. W. H. Mackintosh, M.D., from 21st foot, to be staff surg. maj., v. Staff surg. J. H. Lewis, app. to the 18th foot.

BREVET.

The undermentioned promotion to take place consequent on the decease of Lieut. gen. B. O. Jones, col. 73rd foot, on Feb. 16, 1865:—

Lieut. gen., with local rank of gen., Sir W. R. Mansfield, K.C.B., col. 38th foot, prom. maj. gen. for distinguished service, to be placed on the fixed establishment of gen. officers.

March 14.

6th Dragoon Guards.—Lieut. E. Corbett, from 17th lancers, to be lieut., v. J. J. N. Buchanan, prom. to an unattached company, without purch.; March 14.

1st Dragoons.—First class Vet. surg. F. F. Collins, from 16th lancers, to be vet. surg., v. T. J. Richardson, who excb.; March 14.

33rd Foot.—Lieut. E. S. Wason to be adjt., v. Lieut. B. G. Graham, prom.; March 14.

34th Foot.—Lieut. J. O. Gage to be adjt., v. Lieut. G. Malcom, prom.; March 14.

36th Foot.—Lieut. C. Spurgeon to be adjt., v. Lieut. W. Neal, who has resigned the appointment; Dec. 23.

51st Foot.—Lieut. H. Chambers to be capt., by purch., v. G. H. Hibbert-Ware, who retires; Ens. R. R. Drought to be lieut., by purch., v. Chambers; Ens. W. H. Hume to be lieut., by purch., v. E. E. Middleton, who retires; Gent. cadet H. C. M. Turnbull, from the Royal Military College, to be ens., by purch., v. Drought; March 14. C. E. S. Ruthven, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. Hume; March 15.

Cape Mounted Riflemen.—Lieut. W. C. Nicolson to be capt., by purch., v. H. R. M. Humphreys, who retires.

UNATTACHED.

Lieut. J. J. N. Buchanan, from 6th drag. guards, to be capt., without purch.; March 14.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Asst. surg. V. Maher, from 41st foot, to be staff asst. surg., v. N. Norris, appointed to the 41st foot; March 14.

Staff asst. surg. F. L. G. Gunn to be staff surg., v. H. S. E. Schroeder, M.D., placed upon half-pay; March 14.

BREVET.

Capt. T. H. Salt, Royal (late Bengal) art., to be maj.; Aug. 5.

The undermentioned officers having completed the qualifying service in the rank of lieut. col., to be colonels, under the Royal Warrant of Oct. 14, 1858:—

Lieut. C. J. L. Barrow, Royal (late Madras) art.; July 8.

Lieut. C. J. D. Mein, Royal (late Madras) art.; July 8.

In consequence of the appointment of Maj. gen. J. E. Dupuis, c.b., from the supernumerary list, to be major gen. on the fixed establishment of general officers, on Jan. 19, the commissions of the undermentioned officers to be altered, and the subsequent promotions to take place as follows:—

Commissions as Lieut. colonels.

J. E. W. Lawrence, half-pay, royal marines, to Jan. 19.

W. A. Armstrong, depot battalion, to Feb. 6.

S. Hackett, unattached, to Feb. 9.

A. C. K. Lock, 50th foot, to Feb. 10.

Commissions as Majors.

E. F. Tranchell, Ceylon rifle regt., to Jan. 19.

A. W. Cameron, 92nd foot, to Feb. 6.

J. D. Reece, 2nd West India regt., to Feb. 9.

J. P. Stuart, unattached, staff officer of pensioners, to Feb. 10.

Major G. Skipwith, depot battalion, to be lieut. col.; Feb. 17.

Capt. J. S. F. Fowke, 54th foot, to be major; Feb. 17.

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ADMINISTRATION OF THE N.W. PROVINCES FOR THE YEAR 1863-64.

THE high price of cotton naturally led to a largely increased cultivation of that staple throughout the North-West Provinces, and it is stated that in 1863 the area sown was one-half greater than that of the preceding year. But so continuous was the downfall of rain in the Central and Upper Doab, and in parts of Bundelcund and Rohilcund, that the plant became generally stunted, while on the low lands it rotted and died off. Thus it happened that of the one and a half million acres planted with cotton, at least a quarter of a million were ploughed up and sown with other crops. Then, in some districts, just as the plants were coming to maturity, a drought set in, which exercised a very prejudicial influence upon the out-turn. Some slight damage, too, was done by locusts. All this goes to prove how inexpedient it would be for the Lancashire manufacturers to place too much confidence in the reputed cotton-growing capabilities of Upper India. In fact, notwithstanding that a far greater breadth of land was sown with cotton in 1863 than in 1862 the produce was rather less than in the preceding year, 1,217,170 acres yielding no more than 1,034,660 maunds of clean staple. The fact that at most of the chief marts in the Upper Provinces the price had nearly doubled between January, 1863, and May, 1864, without producing any very striking effect on the amount of supply, illustrates the reluctance of the native mind to venture upon any innovation, however tempting it may appear. At Meerut the price rose from Rs. 18-13-0 to Rs. 30-10-11, at Agra from 21 to 34, at Furruckabad from 20 to 35-8, at Cawnpore from 24 to 40, at Allahabad from 20 to 40, at Mirzapore from 16 to 40, and at Ghazepore from 22-12 to 39-6.

The diminution in the demand for Manchester piece goods induced the Calcutta Chamber of Commerce to make inquiries into the state of the local manufactures,

which, it was supposed, might possibly have benefited by the almost prohibitory price of English goods. It appears, however, that so far from this being the case, there was a decided falling off in the native manufactures. And yet the demand for native cottons is greater than for English, because the former, though of a coarser texture, are "considerably cheaper than any English stuffs that would answer the same purpose, and are also warmer and more durable and better suited to the wants of the people." It is surely little creditable to the ingenuity of the Manchester manufacturers that with all their advantages of machinery they cannot compete in price with the poor hand-loom weaver, who plies his shuttle much in the same way as his forefathers did two thousand years ago. Taking the entire produce of the N.W. Provinces at 8,000,000 lbs., it is computed that from one and a half to two millions of pounds are retained for domestic use, and about 6,000,000 lbs. exported to Europe and China. At present by far the largest portion of the up-country cotton finds its way to Calcutta, but as the different lines of railway are completed, it may be expected that no small quantity will be diverted to Bombay.

Nor was the production of cotton the only branch of husbandry that occupied the attention of the Government. Agricultural Exhibitions were held at Benares and Roorkee in the early part of 1864, and a General Association was formed for the encouragement of agriculture in the Upper Provinces. Though looking to Government for moral support and occasional aid, the Association expect to maintain themselves chiefly by their own exertions, and propose to have annual Shows at the principal stations.

The most beneficial effects appear to have resulted from the establishment of the Government tea plantations on the spurs of the Himalaya. The actual quantity of tea produced was only 41,575 lbs., and 2,361 maunds of seed, valued at Rs. 104,386 in the gross—or at Rs. 40,086 net, after deducting Rs. 64,300 for expenditure. To this, however, should be added nearly 5,000 rupees, the value of 161,000 seedlings distributed to private planters. But, in truth, no just estimate of the importance of this experiment can be derived from a bare statement of income and expenditure. Had these nurseries even failed to cover their own expenses, any pecuniary loss would have been abundantly compensated by the immense benefits they are likely to confer upon the native population. Hundreds of thoroughly trained tea makers have been brought up in the Government establishments, while no small number of native zemindars are now turning their attention to the cultivation of this profitable shrub.

Some thousands of pounds weight have been purchased by Punjab merchants for exportation to Cabul and Bokhara, and in our own provinces a taste for the fragrant and grateful beverage is fast springing up.

The conservancy of the Government forests is another matter, the true importance of which is at length beginning to be appreciated. For many years past timber trees and copse-wood have been ruthlessly cut down, or rooted up, without any thought being given to the maintenance of a sufficient supply for the future. The consequence is, that some districts have been entirely denuded of forest trees, and neither timber nor fuel is procurable, except at exorbitant prices. A conference of several experienced forest officers was therefore held at Nynsee Tal, and various propositions have been submitted to Government, with a view to check any further waste for the present, and to make some provision against future wants. Adequate establishments being organised, and the forest tracts properly valued and surveyed, it was proposed to divide the latter into two classes, Reserved and Ordinary. The reserved forests are to be regarded as sacred, while in the ordinary forests the inferior kinds of trees would be farmed out under a watchful supervision. Other measures were recommended of a highly useful and practical character, but to which we need not more particularly allude in this place. To form a just estimate, however, of the value of forests in a tropical country, it must not be forgotten that without the protection of trees the springs of water dry up; neither does the same quantity of rain fall from the clouds. But irrespective of these momentous considerations, there is an ever-increasing demand for timber in all parts of India. Immense quantities of Saul wood are required for railway sleepers, and for public buildings, and it may naturally be expected that the natives themselves will acquire a taste for a better description of dwellings under the combined influence of education and high wages.

Here we take leave of this able and interesting report of a year's administration of the Northern-Western Provinces. There still remain several sections to which we have not even casually alluded; but in the annals of British India the history of a year ago already borders on the antique, so rapid is the progress of western ideas and European civilisation.

THE CYCLONE ON THE HOOGLY.

THE Bengal Government has at length published an official narrative—bearing the signature of the Hon. Ashley Eden—describing in detail the disastrous effects of the great hurricane of the 5th of October, 1864. The gale appears to have originated in the immediate neighbourhood of the Andaman Islands, whence it travelled in a

north-westerly direction, and struck the mainland somewhere near the Balasore Roads and Hidgelee. Here it raged furiously throughout the night of the 4th, and from this point rushed up the right bank of the Hooghly at a rate varying from eight to twenty-six miles an hour. The full force of the hurricane made itself felt at Calcutta from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. on the 5th, and seven hours later the storm reached Kishnagur. It was somewhere between Rampore, Bauleah and Pubna that it crossed the Ganges and swept over the Bograh district. At about the 25th degree of north latitude it turned back towards the east, and finally spent itself on the Garrow Hills.

Although these cyclones recur with tolerable regularity every ten or twelve years, and although scientific men had warned the Government in 1862 that a hurricane might be expected in the latter part of 1864, no precautions of any kind had been taken—the entire community, untaught by experience, enjoying that comfortable sense of security appropriately designated a fool's paradise. The destruction caused by the storm was, of course, all the greater from its being unexpected. And it worked out its wicked will in two ways, by wind and by water. The gale blew down houses, uprooted trees, dismantled the shipping, and lashed the sea and the river unto madness. But it was the storm-wave that overthrew the embankments—swept “the labour'd mole away”—inundated the country, destroyed the crops, and overwhelmed men and cattle in a common and sudden death. The loss of life and property in Calcutta, where exact returns were most easily obtainable, was truly dreadful, and would have been infinitely greater had not the embankments in the lower part of the river given way, and so diverted a large volume of water from the port and city of Calcutta. The magistrate of Howrah, indeed, does not hesitate to say that the total destruction of the capital of British India was only averted by that of the embankments intended to retain the flood in its appointed channel. But though saved thus providentially from being submerged beneath a wall of water towering thirty feet high, Calcutta and its suburbs had yet to mourn the deaths of two Europeans and forty-nine natives, besides injuries sustained by one of the former, and fifteen of the latter race, and the total destruction of 102 houses built of masonry, and of 40,698 tiled and straw houses, in addition to serious damage done to 563 substantial tenements, and 4,594 slighter erections. The Botanic and the Eden Gardens, Tank-square, Fort William, and the roads and avenues in and about the capital, were all denuded of their fine stately trees, which strewed the ground in all directions, block-

ing up the highways, and rendering them impassable to wheeled vehicles. The greatest damage inflicted, however, by the combined force of wind and water was done to the shipping in the port. On the morning of the 5th there were 195 vessels lying off Calcutta—at the going down of the sun not more than twenty-three had passed unharmed through the double ordeal. The gale, indeed, was ridden out by nearly all with comparative impunity, but, when the terrible bore came roaring up the river, one ship after another was torn from her moorings, and either driven ashore or hurled against the tier higher up the stream. In this manner thirty-six vessels were entirely lost,—including ten that went down bodily,—ninety-seven were severely damaged, and thirty-nine sustained more or less injury. The *Gobindpore*, a newly built 1,200 ton ship, capsized and sank off the Custom-house, her crew being saved through the devoted courage of a seaman named Edward Cleary who swam off to the wreck with a line, across the raging waters. The P. and O. Company's hulk, the old *Hindustan*, turned over, and went down at her moorings, while the Hospital ship *Bentinck*, off Diamond Harbour, was lifted up by the wave and carried bodily on to the top of the embankment; but not until the invalids had been taken off by the steamer *Defiance*. Unhappily, the same good fortune befel not the coolie emigrants on board the *Ally*, bound for the Mauritius. Not only did the vessel itself founder, but of 335 emigrants only twenty-two were saved, and no more than seven of the crew. Equally complete was the loss of the Burmah mail screw steamer *Persia*, which was literally swallowed up with all her passengers and crew, save two of the latter, by an enormous wave that struck her from the stern. On the river the steam-tugs *Phoenix*, *Banshee*, *Linnet*, *Fire Queen*, *Dwarkanauth*, and *Satellite*, have ceased for ever to puff and splutter. The Government steamer *Adjai*, and the *Hope* and *Krishna*, light vessels, were also lost, and much injury was sustained by vessels belonging to the Pilot, Survey, and Harbour Master's departments. Finally, of 270 sets of moorings in the Port only 60 remain fit for service. The damage done to Government buildings in the outlying districts of the division, with the exception of Midnapore, are estimated at £20,000, and in Fort William, Barrackpore, and Dum-Dum at £35,000, exclusive of the amount required to re-construct what is past repair. Of the trees in the park at Barrackpore at least one-half were levelled with the ground, while still greater damage was done to the beautiful avenue leading to the Governor-general's suburban residence. But not only in ships, trees, and houses did the Government suffer from this ruthless visitation, an immense quan-

tity of salt being utterly lost, and a considerable number of Golahs seriously injured.

At Howrah, on the opposite side of the Hooghly, the hurricane raged even more furiously than in Calcutta, the populous villages of Shampore and Oolobariah being completely overwhelmed by the storm-wave. The loss of life in this district is computed at 1,978 individuals, while 316 masonry, and 150,158 mud-houses were utterly destroyed. In addition to all this, 12,762 head of cattle were drowned, but this loss does not fall entirely upon the inhabitants of the district, as many droves were merely passing through on their way to the Calcutta market.

In what may be called the county of Calcutta, or, as it is generally termed, in the 24-Pergunnahs, the mischief wrought by the great wave amounted almost to annihilation, so far as Saugor Island was concerned. Of a population of 6,000 souls, only 1,488 are known to survive, while 7,000 head of cattle and 3,565 houses were swept off the surface of the land. The wave rose 15 feet above the level of the island, and cleared away everything that opposed its advance, cutting the very island into two halves. Indeed, from Saugor to Atcheepore, the storm passed like a knife over a riband of land, varying from one to eight miles in breadth. Everything disappeared before it. Within a mile of the river 80 per cent. of the entire population perished, and between that distance and the outer edge of the storm-stricken area from 30 to 40 per cent. The total loss of life in this district probably exceeded 12,000. It was still greater, however, in that of Midnapore, where upwards of 20,000 human beings are still missing, and not less than 40,000 head of cattle. The number of houses destroyed is not known, but at Tumlook, which suffered less severely than many other places, of 1,400 houses, only 27 are now standing. The storm-wave varied greatly in height as it passed over this district. On the southern face of the sea-dyke it was under five feet, but by the time it reached Goonput it was 11½ feet high, and at Dowlutpore it was over 30 feet. Above Calcutta the hurricane lost much of its original violence, though 112 persons are reported to have been killed or drowned at Hooghly, and a considerable number at Nuddea. At Bograh, too, which was struck by the gale at 2 A.M. on the 6th, the jail was blown down as well as the bazaar, and many Government buildings severely injured, but it is not known that any lives were lost. In addition to the destruction of human life, the loss of so many thousands of cattle, the levelling or unroofing of so many houses, and the uprooting of so many noble trees, there is also to be

taken into consideration the damage done to the crops by wind and wave. Fortunately this was not so great as might have been anticipated, and it is hoped that even the salt deposited by that terrible wave will not exercise a permanently injurious effect. Owing to the cyclone following so soon after the rainy season, the waters of the Bay of Bengal were less brackish than at other times of the year, and the soil itself being saturated with fresh water the tidal wave became, as it were, diluted, even as it sunk into the ground. For all that some time must elapse before the wretched villagers can be expected to recover any portion of their former prosperity. Many of the native zemindars, indeed, have done all that laid in their power by remitting rent to their tenants, but a large margin was still left to be supplemented by public and private benevolence. And neither the Government nor the European and Parsee residents were found wanting in the hour of need. In an incredibly short space of time 15,700 maunds of rice, 2,500 of dhall, 492 of oil, and 234 maunds of salt, 128,000 yards of cloth, 1,750 pieces of blanket, 988 maunds of coir yarn and jute twine, 6,200 khoddallies, and 6,400 khuttarees, were distributed among the sufferers, in addition to pecuniary aid, to the amount of £10,000. What now presses upon the Government is to devise some protection against a recurrence of such a calamity. With this view three questions have been submitted to Government: (1) the construction of wet docks for the accommodation of the shipping; (2) the completion of the requirements at Port Canning with a view to direct a portion of the shipping to Mutlah; (3) the best mode of relaying the moorings so as to render them more secure. The first and second questions are still under consideration, but on the third action has already been taken, and an urgent indent sent home for a supply of screw moorings. It is also enjoined upon all shipowners and captains that "from the 30th September until after the full moon of November no ship in the port shall be allowed to have top-gallant yards or top-gallant masts aloft, and they shall in addition strike top-sail yard and top mast when required to do so." If properly used, this almost fatal cyclone may prove the beginning of a brighter era for Calcutta, and may save it from the doom to which it was gliding down through the selfishness of its merchants and the plethoric apathy of its Baboos. But if it neglect this warning, or allow this chance to escape, another decade will not have passed away before Bombay be recognised as the capital city of British India.

DR. SMITH, civil surgeon of Mussoorie, has been appointed to a professorship in the Medical College, Calcutta.

BOOKS.

Soldiering in Sunshine and Storm. By Wm. Douglas, Private 10th Royal Hussars. A. and C. Black.

We wish to speak with all possible forbearance of this very pretentious and impertinent volume. That a private in a cavalry regiment should possess the ability and inclination, and find time, to write a book that is in many parts quite readable, and occasionally even instructive, is a circumstance very much to his credit. At the same time it is to be regretted that before rushing into print he did not consult some person of ordinary taste, who might have counselled him to omit the many riotous descriptions of drinking bouts, and also have cautioned him against making such free use of the names of individuals either still living, or very recently dead. In short, the book savours strongly of the barrack-room. The author may be a sharp, clever fellow enough, and he really appears to have picked up some slight smattering of literature at one of the Edinburgh schools; but he is altogether destitute of refinement, and knows neither what to reveal nor what to suppress. During his eight years' service in India he seems to have acquired the usual amount of camp jargon, and he is particularly fond of dragging in corrupt, mis-spelt gibberish, which he apparently mistakes for Hindustani. There is one point, however, on which, though unconsciously, he throws some light that may hereafter prove useful, when Egypt becomes our military high road to India. He shows, by his own experience, how inexpedient it is that British soldiers should be permitted to remain in that country one hour longer than is absolutely necessary. Even at Suez, though special orders were issued against any trooper entering the town, the author and one of his comrades contrived to get within the walls, and tested the liquors offered for sale at least at three different shops. At Cairo drinking and love-making were the order of the day, and it is somewhat significant that on their march from that city to Alexandria they found that all the women were sent away to some distance from their line of route. At that period—for the 10th Hussars were on their way to the Crimea—greater allowance would be made for the peculiar weaknesses of the infidel than could be expected in ordinary times. And it would be a very untoward result of this shortening of the passage to India if we only succeeded in alienating the goodwill of the Pasha, and in disgusting his fanatical subjects, already not too well disposed towards us. On matters connected with the practical details of a cavalry soldier's life Mr. Douglas writes much that is worthy of the notice of his superiors, however disagreeable and ungracious may be his manner of expressing himself. For a soldier's library his book may be an acceptable acquisition, but it certainly is not one in which a general reader will take the slightest interest.

The Englishwoman in India. By a Lady Resident. Smith, Elder, and Co.

A "Lady Resident" has conferred a real boon upon all who are bound "East-

ward, ho!" whether as mere voyagers for health, or pleasure, or as future dwellers in "the clime of the sun." Her directions on all points connected with outfit, furniture, housekeeping, and the rearing of pigs, poultry, and children are as minute as they are practical and varied. Though chiefly familiar with the mode of living that prevails in the Madras Presidency, the information she imparts, in a light and graceful style, will be found equally applicable to the other Presidencies, with a very few trifling exceptions. In one respect, at least, it is clear that the denizens of "Sleepy Hollow," as Madras has irreverently been named, are less artistic than the dwellers within the Mahratta ditch. Our authoress suggests, as an experiment, that a narrow paper bordering should be put on between the doors and windows in drawing-rooms, so as to have the effect of panneling. This effect is commonly enough produced in Calcutta by paint far better than it could be by paper, which in the rainy season is apt to blister and peel off in ribbons. In addition to the most ample details relating to outfit, furniture, servants, housekeeping and horse-keeping, travelling, rearing children, and the management of the farm yard, a "Lady Resident" furnishes a large supply of receipts for Indian cookery, which must prove invaluable to all young housekeepers. One or two good anecdotes are also told, not the less amusing for being somewhat ancient. Here is one illustrative of the sort of answers a Madras servant who speaks a little English is likely to bring back when entrusted with a verbal message:—

"Boy, my compliments to Captain A., and ask him to send me the last 'Army List.'"

Answer given: "Tell master, very sorry, not got now."

Answer received: "Captain Sahib says see master d—d first."

And here is another touching a native's idea of the "eternal fitness of things":—

"Boy, how are master's socks so dirty?"

"I take, make e'strain coffee."

"What, you dirty wretch, for coffee?"

"Yes, missis, but never take master's clean e'sock. Master done use, then I take."

Elihu Jan's Story; or, the Private Life of an Eastern Queen. By Wm. Knighton, LL.D. Longman and Co.

Elihu Jan was a female slave and hookah attendant of the late Queen Dowager of Oude, who visited England in the vain hope of winning from her Britannic Majesty's compassion the restoration of her son, Wajid Ali Shah, to his throne and kingdom. On her royal mistress's departure from Calcutta Elihu Jan returned to Lucknow, and for a while lived with her husband, a dealer in tobacco. After the mutiny, however, her husband failed in business, and Elihu Jan entered the household of Mr. Johannes, the well-known store-keeper, in the capacity of ayah. Subsequently she transferred her services to the wife of Dr. Knighton, who professes to have taken down from her lips the very curious and amusing revelations of palace life at Lucknow, which are given to the world in this little volume. Thoroughly to appreciate the state of society depicted in these pages, one ought to come to the task fresh from a perusal of Madame D'Arblay's delineations of Court

life in the time of George III. and his most correct and formal consort. The contrast is supremely ridiculous, and presents itself at every step and under all sorts of strange forms and colours. Elihu Jan's stories are certainly piquant, and afford, so far as they may be credited, a singular insight into the horrors, extravagances, and maniacal follies of a debauched Mussulman ruler, who cared nothing for power save as the means of gratifying his morbid appetites. Confessions extorted by flogging, faithless women bricked up alive, the grossest superstition, the most crass ignorance, and the most extraordinary mixture of imperial splendour and patriarchal simplicity, all combine to constitute a picture with Turneresque effects, and yet dreadfully real and life-like.

Some of Elihu Jan's personal anecdotes are exceedingly naive, and are invaluable as illustrating the mode and habit of thought that prevail among uneducated Mahomedans in British India. She is clearly a staunch believer in the right divine of kings, and is quite prepared to defend every atrocity committed by the orders of Wajid Ali Shah, or of his strong-minded mother. The book itself, however, is spoilt by the insertion of forty pages of extracts from Colonel Sleeman's "Journey through the Kingdom of Oude," and from Mrs. Parks's "Wanderings." They are put in, of course, as padding, to make the volume more suitable in appearance for the purposes of the circulating libraries, that are acting towards wholesome literature the part of a careless nurse who overlays the infant intrusted to her care. The "Conclusion" apart, Elihu Jan's Story is a series of often laughable, and always readable sketches of Eastern life and character, and quite as pleasant a pastime for a leisure hour as the general reader usually encounters.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 9.

Petitions from officers of the Indian Army complaining of grievances were presented, by Lord R. MONTAGU, from Captain Edward John Wild, 40th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, and from Captain Patrick Wheeler, late 15th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; by Colonel SYKES, from Colonel Edward R. Mainwaring, of the Bengal Army, Brevet-Major C. L. Montgomery, of the 10th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, and Captain Parish, of the Bengal Artillery; and by Sir F. SMITH, from Brevet-Captain E. T. W. Price, of the 30th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Captain R. Blair Kennedy, 23rd Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and Lieutenant Tudor Lavie, 24th Regiment Madras Native Infantry.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 10.

Petitions from Indian officers praying for redress of grievances were presented by Mr. FLOYER, from Captain Jocelyn, Cambridge; by Mr. MARSH, from Lieutenant-Colonel R. Troup, 9th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry; and from Captain John Roberts, 40th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry; by Mr. BEIRKELEY, from Captain F. E. Laing, 1st Regiment of Ghorka Light Infantry; from Lieutenant G. C. Jackson, of the late 2nd Bengal European Cavalry; and from Captain S. A. T. Judge, late 67th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry; by Colonel SYKES, from Brevet-Major F. J. Ellis, of the late 58th

Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry; from Captain A. Ellis, late 31st Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry; and from Lieutenant C. J. Farquharson, late 50th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry; by Mr. LESLIE, from Brevet-Major S. Sage, of the late 30th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry; and from Lieutenant-Colonel E. J. Simpson, of the Bengal Army; and by Mr. TORRENS, from Brevet-Major Edmund Smyth, late 13th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; from Brevet-Captain E. P. W. Ripley, 1st Regiment of Punjab Cavalry; and from Captain F. W. Russell, late 3rd Regiment of European Cavalry, Bengal Army.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 13.

Petitions from officers of the Indian army, complaining of grievances and praying for redress, were presented by Mr. VANSITTART, from Brevet-Major T. H. Wilson, late 57th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, and from Captain Addington Taylor, late 25th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; by Sir J. KILPINSTONE, from Captain and Brevet Lieutenant-colonel John Murray MacGregor, late 6th Regiment Madras Light Cavalry, from Lieutenant and Brevet-captain Evan Maclean, her Majesty's 8th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, from Lieutenant H. M. S. Magrath, her Majesty's 39th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and from Captain B. Hamilton, Indian Army; by Mr. ADAM, from Captain William Graves, 25th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and from Captain C. J. Godfrey, her Majesty's 10th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Sir M. FARQUHAR, from Captain John Norman Maclean, her Majesty's late 7th Regiment Madras Light Cavalry, from Lieut. Charles F. Moore, her Majesty's 7th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and from Lieutenant Augustus Drummond Grant, her Majesty's 20th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Colonel W. H. SYKES, from Brevet-Major C. F. Hicks, of the late 5th Regiment Bengal European Infantry; from Brevet-Major H. G. Raverty, late of the Bombay Army, from Brevet-Major Thos. Drever, of the Madras Army, and from Captain J. A. Brereton, of the late 33rd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; by Sir H. STRACEY, from Major H. D. Maunsell, of the late 62nd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, from Captain Henry Melville, of the late 2nd Bengal European Cavalry, and from Lieutenant J. K. McCausland, of the late 34th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; by Mr. W. MILLER, from Lieutenant and Brevet Captain W. M. Wilson Mercer, her Majesty's 7th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and from Lieutenant A. Mears, 36th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and by Mr. FINLAY, from Lieutenant Carey de Lancey Gostling, 40th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and from Captain Wm. Somerville Mitchell, 22nd Regiment Madras Infantry.

Petitions in favour of considering the claims of his Highness Prince Azeem Jah to the throne of the Carnatic were presented by Mr. T. J. MILLER, from Colchester; by Mr. WALDEGRAVE-LESLIE, from 506 inhabitants of Pimlico; by Mr. ABEL SMITH, from inhabitants of Great Munden, in the county of Herts; by Mr. HANBURY, from inhabitants of Chiswick and Hammersmith; by Mr. BLACK, from inhabitants of Edinburgh; by Mr. Alderman ROSE, from inhabitants of London; by Mr. LAWSON, from Manchester (2), Leeds, and Warwick; by Mr. DU CANE, from inhabitants of Romford; and by Lord HENNIKER, from Woodbridge.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 14.

Petitions from officers of the Indian Army, complaining of violation of rights and praying for redress, were presented by an Hon. MEMBER, from Major Le M. Mackenzie, 33rd Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and Lieut. Charles J. B. Harris, 46th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Colonel W. H. SYKES,

from Lieut.-Colonel A. H. Gore, 29th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Major Arthur Sage, late 52nd Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Captain Robert Brown, Captain R. T. Passingham, and Lieut. W. M. Dickinson, 29th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Sir J. HAY, from Captain J. Mackillop Mackenzie and Captain G. J. Dalrymple Hay, of the Bengal Staff Corps; and by Mr. W. EWART, from Lieut.-Colonel M. B. Whish, late 29th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, and Lieut. B. Hughes Preston, late 2nd Regiment Madras European Light Infantry.

Petitions praying for a consideration of the claim of Azeem Jah to the throne of the Carnatic were presented by Mr. CORBETT, from the inhabitants of Oldham; by Mr. BENTINCK, from the city of Norwich; by Sir R. CLIFTON, from the inhabitants of Nottingham; by Mr. WHALLEY, from Wrexham; by Colonel ROWLEY, from the inhabitants of Harwich; by Mr. P. WATLINGTON, from the inhabitants of Stratford; by Mr. H. LEWIS, from the inhabitants of Seymour-street, St. Pancras, clerks and others employed upon various metropolitan railways, and from the inhabitants of St. Pancras; by Mr. BUTLER, from the inhabitants of Bethnal-green, Stoke Newington, and Kingston-upon-Hull; by Mr. PEASE, from Manchester; by Sir S. M. PETO, from certain petitioners; by Mr. WHITE, from Brighton; by Mr. BARNES, from the inhabitants of Bolton; by Mr. FERRAND, from the inhabitants of Devonport; by Mr. J. SOMES, from Hull; by Mr. H. FENWICK, from Sunderland; by Major PARKER, from Hadleigh and its vicinity, Suffolk; by Sir F. KELLY, from Ashton-under-Lyne, Bloomsbury (2), Bury, Lancashire, Plymouth, and Salford.

PRINCE AZEEM JAH.

Sir F. KELLY moved for a select committee to inquire into the claim of Prince Azeem Jah to the title and dignity of Nawab of the Carnatic, and the claims of his Highness, under a treaty entered into in 1801 between the East India Company and Prince Azeem-ul-Dowlah. Looking at the nature of the questions involved in this case, he only asked, he said, that, in order that there should be a full and fair inquiry into all the circumstances, it should be referred to a select committee, so that the House and the Government might be able to do justice to this unfortunate Prince. The real question, which arose out of a certain alleged treasonable correspondence discovered in 1799, was whether it was of such a character as to justify the East India Company in at once deposing the Nawab in 1855. Sir Fitzroy entered into a long and minute history of transactions connected with the Carnatic, commencing more than a century ago, up to the treaty of 1801, with the then Nawab Azeem-ul-Dowlah. Supposing, he said, that the Company would have been justified in deposing the Nawab Wallajah, upon the discovery of the correspondence, or Omdut-ul-Omrh, his successor, the question was whether, under the treaty of 1801, the Nawab Azeem-ul-Dowlah was recognised as hereditary successor to a transmissible title and dignity, or only as possessor of the rank for his life. This was a question—the legal construction of the treaty—which that House, he observed, was not a proper tribunal to decide. He cited documents to show that the treaty was understood to convey a recognition of the hereditary dignity in the Nawab, a construction which seemed to be confirmed by the succession to the Musnud of the eldest son of Azeem-ul-Dowlah, on the death of the latter in 1819.

The motion was seconded by Mr. SMOLLETT in a long speech, in which he denounced the "Carnatic transaction" as an act of grave injustice, reflecting discredit upon the authorities.

Sir E. DERING defended Lord Harris against charges made by Mr. Smollett, complaining, with some warmth, of the unmeasured terms in which he had impugned the conduct of

that nobleman when Governor of Madras with reference to the treaty of 1801; and he appealed to evidence which showed that that treaty was considered to confer no right of hereditary succession, but was a purely personal engagement. He thought Sir F. Kelly had not made out any substantial ground for the appointment of a committee.

After a few observations by Mr. VANSITTART and Mr. NEATE,

The SOLICITOR-GENERAL observed that the maintenance in India of a number of nominal Sovereigns was an admitted evil, and their abolition was beneficial to the people of India, and did harm or injury to no human being. Then were we, notwithstanding, bound to perpetuate the evil? It was said that we were bound by the treaty of 1801. He contended that the terms of the treaty bore no such construction; that it was not the intention of the treaty; on the contrary, that it was framed expressly for the purpose of excluding the possibility of such an interpretation. He proceeded to show that there had been a clear case of treachery on the part of the Nawabs of the Carnatic; that a correspondence of a treasonable character between Wallajah and Omdut-ul-Omrah and Tippoo Sultan had been discovered which gave us the right and the power to depose the Nawab. He explained the grounds of the treaty of 1801, which was a personal treaty, under which it was intended that the then Nawab, Azeem-ul-Dowlah, should hold the title by permission of the East India Company, and not by hereditary right, which could be claimed neither by the letter or spirit of the treaty, nor by the intention of its framers. He insisted that the House could decide upon the case, and that nothing but evil could result from the appointment of a committee.

Mr. HENNESSY observed that only inquiry was asked for, and he was surprised that the Government resisted it.

Mr. DUNLOP thought it was a case for inquiry.

Mr. H. SEYMOUR opposed the motion. He thought that neither on legal grounds nor upon the ground of expediency could the motion for an inquiry by a committee be maintained. At the same time, the East India Office should, in his opinion, take the case of this unfortunate family into consideration.

After a few words by Mr. INGHAM,

Sir C. WOOD justified the policy and justice of the course which had been taken in the case of the Carnatic family upon public as well as special grounds, and insisted that it had been attended with no breach of faith. He gave a short history of the transactions which resulted in the treaty of 1801, and an explanation of its object, which was, after the Carnatic had been forfeited by the family, to give to the then Nawab Azeem-ul-Dowlah the title for life only, the words "him and his heirs," and all terms implying perpetuity, being intentionally omitted. He cited the opinions of Indian statesmen and other authorities adverse to any claim of hereditary right in his descendants.

The discussion was continued by Colonel DICKSON and Colonel SYKES, but, upon a division, the motion was negatived by 53 to 38.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SIR S. W. STEEL, K.C.B.—We have to announce the death of Lieutenant-General Sir Scudamore Winde Steel, K.C.B., of her Majesty's Indian Forces. The deceased joined the Indian service in 1806. He served during 1808-9, under Col. Doveton, in Berar. During the Mahratta War of 1817-18 he served as Assistant-Quartermaster, and was present at the reduction of the Hill Forts in the Gungterry, where he was slightly wounded in the head with a matchlock ball. In 1821, 1822, and 1823 he was employed in the Southern Mahratta country, for which he received the

thanks of the departmental officers. As Deputy-Assistant-Quartermaster of the Madras troops he took part in the expedition against Rangoon, and after a long succession of services he was appointed in 1852 to the command of the Madras division of the army of Burmah. He was in 1853 appointed K.C.B., and in 1854 specially appointed to command the Pegu division and Martaban provinces. He returned to England on the 27th of May, 1856, after having completed an uninterrupted service in India of fifty years.

LIEUT.-GENERAL SIR S. B. ELLIS, K.C.B., Royal Marines, one of the few remaining heroes of Trafalgar, died at his residence, Old Charlton, on Friday, Feb. 10, aged 78. The deceased entered the Royal Marines in 1804. He first served in Sir R. Calder's action off Cape Finisterre in 1805, and in the battle of Trafalgar in the same year. He was one of the survivors of the Walcheren expedition in 1809, was at the capture of Guadaloupe in 1810, was present at the capture of the American frigate *President* in 1814, and was the first officer who boarded her after she struck. He was employed from 1812 to 1813 off the coasts of Spain and Portugal, and was engaged in several boat actions off the coast of North America in 1814. In 1839 we was at the bombardment and reduction of Fort Munora in Scinde, and in the same year he commanded a detachment of his corps at Bushire, where he landed under a heavy fire from the Persians, and embarked in safety the political resident. For two years he was actively engaged in all the principal actions of the Chinese war, for which service he was promoted to the rank of Brevet-major and Lieutenant-colonel, and was also made a C.B. He was created K.C.B. in 1860, and Colonel-commandant of the Portsmouth division of Royal Marines in 1863. He had received the war medal with two clasps, and also the China medal.

ORIENTAL FINANCIAL CORPORATION.—A circular has been issued to the shareholders of this company in view to various important and beneficial alterations. It is proposed to reduce the value of the shares from £50 to £20, increasing their number in the like ratio; to limit the calls to £2 per share at any time; to increase the capital by the issue of new shares in India; to strengthen the board of directors, and to take powers to amalgamate with any other company. It is stated in the circular that to carry out the reduction in value of the shares, the present corporation must be dissolved and re-constructed, and to this the consent of the shareholders is requested.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 11. Trafalgar, Calcutta; Beatrice, Manila.—12 Alexandria, Calcutta; Amer, Manila; Constance, Manila; Star of Ceylon, Colombo; Westward Ho, Kurrachee; British Merchant, Mauritius; 1022 Vanant, Moultien.—14 R. d. Gauntlet, Madras; Maid of Tyne, Singapore; Elizabeth Ann, Colombo.

DEPARTURES.

March 9. India, Kurrachee; India, Kurrachee; Moor Hall, Ceylon.—12 Henry Reed, Calcutta; Defence, Bombay; Excelsior, Bombay; City of Edinburgh, Bombay; Raphael, Yokohama; Edward Percy, Calcutta; Gyrn Castle, Singapore.

CASUALTIES.

The Norm, from Saigon to Hong Kong, with rice, has been totally lost. Crew saved.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTH.

DUFFERIN—At 8, Grosvenor-square, March 14, Lady Dufferin, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

CLEATHER—Mary Elizabeth, widow of the late Captain Thomas Cleather, of the Bombay Artillery, at 10, Torrington-villas, Lee, Kent, March 4.

STEEL—Lieut. general Sir Scudamore Winde Steel, K.C.B., Madras Army, at 101, Gloucester-terrace, Hyde-park, aged 77, March 11.

Long—John J., son of Frederick J. Long, Esq., late of the H.E.I. Co.'s Home Service, at Maitland-cottage, St. Clements, Jersey, aged 10 years, March 8.

INDIA EXCHANGES.

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	India Stock Debentures, 1859		116
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	India 4 per cent. 1858		99½
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Stock	Ditto (guar. 4½ per cent.)	100	94
20	5th Extension	2	½
Stock	Scinde 5 per cent.	100	98 to 100
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50	Do. issue at 30 pm.	25	60 to 62
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40	New	all	71 to 73
25	Bank of Egypt	all	82
20	Chart. of Ind., Aus., & China	all	30 to 33
20	Ditto, New	all	
25	Chart. Merc. of India, Lond., and China	all	51 to 53
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25	Commercial Bank of India	all	4 pm.
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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

WE are in receipt of our usual files of papers from Calcutta to the 21st and from Bombay to the 28th of February.

The war on the North-Eastern frontier, in which the Indian Government has become involved through Mr. Beadon's ill-judged mission to Bhootan, has at last been fairly taken in hand by the Viceroy in Council. It is much to be desired that this most unfortunate embarrassment may bring about the reduction of the powers of the Lieutenant-governor of Bengal within the strict limits of an administrative function. As a subordinate officer, it is absurd that he should possess opportunities for forcing the hand of the Supreme Government, and of imposing upon it a line of conduct opposed to its own expressed policy. It is now obvious, however, that Sir John Lawrence is determined to submit to no more trifling and playing at soldiers—a costly and perilous game, which implies a heavy loss of men and money. The selection of Brigadier-general Tombs to command the expedition shows that fighting in good earnest is meant, and that there is no longer any idea of paying tribute for the occupation of the captured Passes. Another indication of "thoroughness" is the employment of European troops, H.M.'s 55th Regiment recently stationed at Lucknow having arrived at Calcutta on its way to Cooch Behar and Gowhatty. Six engineer officers, including Captain Trevor, Garrison Engineer, Fort William, and Lieuts. Dundas and Pre. have also been ordered up to the scene of hostilities. Two Punjab regiments, the 29th and 30th, have likewise been pushed on to reinforce the expeditionary columns, while No. 3 Battery, 25th Brigade, R.A., is only waiting till its armament is changed before it proceeds in like manner to aid in avenging the recent reverses of the British arms. As the lightest mountain train Armstrong guns weigh 3 cwt. each, it is impossible to use them where mules are the only beasts of burden. A battery of six 3-pounder mountain train guns, weighing only 2 cwt. each, is therefore being fitted out in Fort William, and will be sent forward without delay. And it is manifest that no time must be lost, if the prestige of British prowess is to be maintained among the barbarous peoples beyond our north-eastern frontiers. The evacuation of the post at Dewangiri, exaggerated as it is certain to be by the Bhootiahs, will naturally embolden their neighbours to cast in their lot with them, partly for the sheer love of fighting cha-

racteristic of all savages, and partly, perhaps, in the hope of deterring the Feringhees from ever again attempting to penetrate into the mountains. The retreat from Dewangiri might, indeed, be almost called a flight, the guns having been thrown down a ravine, and the wounded abandoned to the mercy of the enemy. As the post was no longer tenable, the Bhootiahs having cut off the supply of water, and stopped the surrounding passes by stockades, Colonel Campbell had no alternative but to steal out under cover of the night and take his chance of getting his enfeebled garrison down into the plains. While the pickets distracted the attention of the enemy by a sharp but desultory fire, the small force crept out from the miserable fort, which under no circumstances could be converted into a stronghold, and sought safety by scrambling down the heights as best they could, every man thinking only of himself. One party of 150 men, however, did keep together, under the command of Captain Macdonald, and Lieutenants Welchman, Griffiths, and Peet, and were thereby enabled to repulse an attack of the Bhootiahs after they had reached the plain country, and to drive them back into the hills at the point of the bayonet. The consequence of these untoward events is, and that General Mulcaster has been superseded, and that General Tombs has been appointed to make short work of an enemy whose intrinsic insignificance should have spared us a war which can never be glorious, but which is becoming disgraceful through the true English mistake of breaking up the force into small detachments—a species of warfare for which the formal discipline of the British army unfits both officers and men.

H.R.H. the Duke of Brabant having completed his tour through Upper India has returned to Calcutta for a few days, previous to his departure for China. During his royal highness's stay at Government-house, a sham fight, in which 6,000 troops were engaged, was "performed" on the Maidan, the battle raging with the greatest fury in the immediate neighbourhood of the Kidderpore Bridge, which was finally captured, after a severe struggle with an obstinate but, fortunately, imaginary foe.

The unfavourable news from Bhootan and the pressure of legislative business have prevented the Viceroy's departure for the Hills at the early date originally intended. It was expected, however, that

DATES OF ADVICES.

Bengal	Feb. 21	Burmah (Rangoon)	Jan. 28
Madrass	" 22	Bombay	Feb. 24
Agga	" 23	Ceylon	" 16
		China (Hong Kong)	Feb. 1

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Mails to India and China, via Marseilles, are despatched from London as follows, viz.:—Those for Bombay packets, on the evening of the 3rd and 18th of each month, and those for Calcutta packets (including mails for Ceylon, Madras, and China), on the evenings of the 10th and 26th of each month. When any of these dates fall on a Sunday, the mails are made up on the following evening.

Letters and Newspapers can be forwarded to any part of India, via Bombay and Marseilles, and in most cases will reach their destination some days sooner than if despatched by the following Calcutta mail. The Bombay mails via Southampton, however, are no longer available for the transmission of Letters or Newspapers to the Madras Presidency.

Mails for the Mediterranean, and all parts of India and China, except the Bombay Presidency, are despatched via Southampton on the mornings of the 4th and 20th, or, when either of these dates falls on Sunday, upon the previous evening.

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A French line of mail packets now leaves Marseilles on the 19th of every month for Alexandria. Postage for letters and papers to India and China the same as is charged by the English mail via Marseilles. Letters intended to be forwarded by these packets must be specially addressed "By French mail packet from Marseilles."

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the official exodus would take place about the 25th of the present month.

Sir Hugh Rose was still in Calcutta, and proposed to leave for Madras on the 23rd of March, whence he would proceed to Bombay, and there bid adieu to the East.

Sir William Mansfield arrived at Kurra-
chee on the 16th of last month, and after inspecting the different stations in Scinde intended to take up his new command at Simla, after the departure of his predecessor from Bombay. As Sir Robert Napier returns to Europe for six months before assuming the command of the Western army, the duties of that high post will temporarily devolve on General Straubenzie.

The Viceroy has availed himself of the opportunity afforded by Brigadier-general Neville Chamberlain's resignation of the command of the Punjab Irregular Force to issue a General Order in the highest degree eulogistic of that gallant officer's most distinguished career.

Speculation is rife as to the means likely to be adopted by Sir Charles Trevelyan for filling up the anticipated deficit in the revenue accounts. According to some authorities an increase of the salt-tax is contemplated, while others maintain that the income-tax will be nominally repealed, only to be re-imposed a little later in the year. The *Indian Daily News*, however, asserts that peremptory instructions have been received from the Home Government for its immediate and final extinction.

Small-pox was still very prevalent in Calcutta, the mortality reaching to thirty deaths a day.

We have been requested to state that the Amalgamation Inquiry Committee have removed their office from 13, King-street, to 3a King-street, St. James's-square.

CALCUTTA AND CHINA MAILS.

MALTA, March 24.

The *Ellera* will leave at four P.M., and the *Massilia* at nine P.M. to-day.

The former may be expected at Marseilles on the 27th inst., and the latter at Southampton about the 2nd April.

OUTWARD BOMBAY MAIL.

The *Delta*, from Marseilles on the 20th inst., reached Malta at midnight on the 22nd, and left at seven P.M. on the 23rd for Alexandria.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

BENGAL.—Lieut. col. J. A. Fairhead, retired list, Bengal Army, at 14, Western-villas, Mada-hill, aged 69, March 16. Lieut. J. L. Tripp, Quar. of the 2nd Batt. 12th Foot, from a fall from his horse, at Secapore, Feb. 13. Ens. E. J. A. Smith, H.M.'s 95th Foot, on his passage home from Calcutta, on board the *Trafalgar*, Oct. 23, 1864. Lieut. C. G. Mallett, 11th Bengal N.I., killed in action in Bhootan, Feb. 4. Capt. F. Harri on, late of the 1st Bengal Fusiliers, at Surbiton, March 15.

Passengers by the present Mail.

Per str. *Nyanza*, March 24.—For MARSEILLES.—From BOMBAY.—Mr. and Mrs. Ravencroft and infant, Mrs. Prior, Mr. and Mrs. Shovel, Mr. and Mrs. Birch, Mr. Hurst, Mr. J. Cowan, Mrs. Gavin and three children, Mr. James Boosey, Mr. Lookmanji, Mr. G. Swin, Mrs. Cameron, Mr. Roberts, Mr. F. Robertson, Mr. Dugan, Lieut. C. Ducat, Mrs. Ducat and four children, Lieut. Boyd, Mr. Fitzhugh, Mr. and Mrs. Hoare and infant, Capt. Frazer, Mr. Burton. From ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. and Mrs. Fairfax, Mrs. Foss, Mr. and Mrs. Forbes, Mr. Corking, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Shillito, Mrs. Morgan and child, Mr. Corry, Lord Dudley, Mr. Mitchell.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. *Pera*, April 2.—Mr. McCulloch, Mr. N. P. Green, Mrs. Green, Maj. Etheridge and two children, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. Plonker and infant, Mrs. Kennedy and four children, Mr. S. R. Sassoon, Capt. and Mrs. Belcombe and three children, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Burn and infant, Capt. Wood, Mr. Pritchard, Miss Fagg and infant, Miss F. Crawley, Miss C. Alder, Mr. Padley, Mr. Bulkeley.

BENGAL.

HONOUR TO THE MARQUIS OF DALHOUSIE.

The finest statue in India was erected to Lord Hardinge twelve years after he had left the country. The late Lord Canning has had three successors, and he is likely to have more before the statue which his admirers talked of adorns the capital. Not till eight years after his resignation of office were those who remembered the almost regal bearing and calmly noble face of the Marquis of Dalhousie gratified by gazing on Steell's effigy, which stands, as the original wished it to do, fronting the statue of Lord Wellesley, in the great vestibule of Government House. But that is not to be the final resting-place of the memorial of either. Both were men whose reputations and services were so pre-eminently public that their statues demand a building of a less private character than the palace which Wellesley himself erected—a place where all classes may at all times visit them, as they visit the sculptures which enshrine the memory of Warren Hastings and Lord Cornwallis, of Lord Hastings and Lord William Bentinck. A surplus of Rs. 97,000 remained after providing for Lord Dalhousie's statue, and to this was added the two funds raised by the admirers of "Havelock, Neill, and Nicholson," and of "Venables," the whole amounting, with subsequent subscriptions and interest, to a lakh and a half of rupees. Besides the two great statues, busts of these heroes of the mutiny and one of Sir James Outram (presented by himself) await a permanent Walhalla. After much difficulty and delay in selecting a proper site, all classes have united in fixing on that portion of Tank-square which fronts the grand staircase of Government-house. Already a temple-like structure, within which the statue of Lord Hastings is concealed, stands there. It will act as a graceful portico to the new building for the Dalhousie Institute, designed by Mr. W. Granville. The hall, which will be neither large nor lofty, while it will not be unworthy of its object, will adorn a square already being improved by such buildings as the new Post-office, Messrs. R. C. Lepage and Co.'s offices, the Agra Bank, and the new buildings about to be erected fronting Writers'-buildings. For the first time everything has conspired to favour a project which ought to be dear to all India. Everything but one—a party of the Calcutta Justices have suddenly discovered that a building of one story, for which no other appropriate site can be found, may obstruct the breeze which the tall houses all round the square already prevent from blowing. The objections seem to be made by that narrow, fussy class who delight in the rhetoric of vestrymen and understand coarse jokes better than the acts of great statesmen. Never was the assumption of a virtuous regard for the interests of the public so baseless. We trust the Governments of India and Bengal will let the "show of hands" at a mail-day meeting of the justices pass unheeded. Lord Dalhousie's memory—if not the objects of the institute—are of more importance in the eyes of the public and the present occupant of his seat and former supporter of his policy than the opinions of a few men dressed in a little brief authority. Let the Viceroy give the necessary order, and gratify the public who are tired of the justices.—*Friend of India*.

MR. BEADON'S LITTLE WAR.

The local administrations are becoming too strong for the Central Government. The Governors of Madras and Bombay correspond directly with the Secretary of State for India, and the Lieutenant-governors of the Punjab and Bengal secure a reluctant consent to their proposals by a most pertinacious importunity. Twice within two years has the Supreme Government been persuaded against its will into

sanctioning two wars, from which nothing could be expected but expense and disaster. Both in the Umbeyla hills and the Bhootan passes the enemy were described by Sir Robert Montgomery and Mr. Beadon as too contemptible to require more than a small force, at a trifling cost, to crush them. By such representations they hoped to obtain the desired sanction. In both cases the Government of India, after resisting their importunity for years, sent a larger force than had been asked; while the Commander-in-Chief would have personally thrown himself into the thick of the fight on the north-west frontier, and magnified the little war into a campaign, which, in the state of Afghanistan at that time, might have lighted up Central Asia. There is this difference, however, between the two little wars—the Punjab Government was accustomed to such adventures—its whole existence had been passed in the exciting work of first subduing the frontier tribes, and then civilising them. Not so the more youthful Government of Bengal. All its past attempts against Kookes, Nagas, and other Indo-Chinese savages, had been as trifling as they were unfortunate, chiefly because it had no military force equal to the extent of the frontier. Moreover, while the Punjab abounded in trained political officers, Bengal could not produce one of better judgment and greater courage than Mr. Ashley Eden, whose humiliation, discussed in every native Court and bazaar throughout India, has done as much to injure our prestige as the disasters of the Cabool expedition. These were the results of a dishonourable policy, and were atoned for by the heroism of the ablest officers that ever served an ungrateful country. That was the effect not so much of a policy as of the incapacity of an individual officer to act on the instincts of an Englishman. His countrymen would fain bury it for ever in the silence of shame.

The events of the past fortnight on the frontier of Bhootan render it imperative that all classes of both the authorities and the public should forget the origin of the war, and devote themselves to its thorough completion. The result of weakly offering the bribe of fifty thousand rupees a year to bring to our feet the treacherous savages we ought to have cut to pieces, has been that the little war, so far from being at an end, has to be begun again. Had the Bhootens been a little wiser they would have continued to pursue their clever policy of passive resistance, and have allowed our troops to withdraw, and our police, surveyors and officials to take their place. They would have postponed their active resistance a few months longer. But, fortunately for us, they did not wait beyond the close of January. While the Bhooten Durbar have been talking of peace, attracted by the glitter of the promised rupees, Toungsou Penlow has been collecting his forces among the clansmen of his own province, and preparing to vindicate his treatment of our mission. On the 26th of February the 3rd Ghoorkas, who hold the entrenchment which commands the Buxa pass, repulsed the first attack. A vain attempt to surprise our garrison at Chamoorchee was made about the same time. On the 29th a large force attacked the detachment at Dewangiri, and though they were driven off with severe loss Lieutenant Urquhart, of the Engineers, and five sepoy fell on our side, while Lieutenant Story and thirty-eight sepoy were wounded by arrows. On the 27th the strong stockade which we hold in the Bala pass, a thousand feet above the sea, was attacked before daylight, and a shower of arrows kept up for nearly two hours, which caused a loss of one man killed and four wounded. Two days after we sent a party to disturb the enemy, who were stockading themselves on a height which commands our position, when one man was

killed, and two officers and six men wounded. With a stronger force, on 4th February, Col. Watson attempted to drive them from their post, but in vain. The last telegram informs us that Lieut. Millett, of the 11th N.I., was killed, and Lieut. Cameron, R.A., with several sepoy, wounded. There is some confusion as to the different attacks, but these seem to be the facts, so far as is yet known. Small reinforcements of men, and two guns belonging to Cooch Behar, are now on their way.

Fortunately, there are still four months of good fighting weather before the rains compel our force to leave Bhootan. It is time to decide on a vigorous policy. We must march to the "capital," and exact, on the scene of our envoy's disgrace, reparation for the insults of the past ninety years, as well as security for that future good behaviour which the offer of money has so miserably failed to produce.—*Friend of India.*

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE DUC DE BRABANT.—H.R.H. the Duc de Brabant is still a guest at Government House. A grand review was given in his honour on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 19, at which nearly 6,000 men were on the ground, under the command of H.E. the Commander-in-Chief. The Duke's health is still delicate, but is said to have improved by his travels, and a still further improvement is expected from his trip to China, for which he leaves in a few days. His Royal Highness has made himself extremely popular by the winning affability of his manner to all who have been presented to him, and has evidently taken a great interest in all financial and statistical questions connected with this vast empire.

SIR NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN.—Major General Sir Neville Chamberlain having tendered his resignation of the command of the Punjab Irregular Force, the Viceroy has issued the following complimentary, but well-deserved general order, in honour of one of India's gallantest soldiers:—"Major General Sir Neville Chamberlain, now on sick leave in Europe, having tendered his resignation of the command of the Punjab Irregular Force, the Right Honourable the Viceroy and Governor General in Council considers it his duty to place on record that the Government of India has the highest appreciation of the services of this distinguished officer. Sir Neville Chamberlain, having served with honour during the two campaigns in Afghanistan, in the Gwalior campaign of 1843, and in the second Sikh war, was, in the year 1855, appointed to the command of the Punjab Irregular Force, since which period he has most successfully conducted the arrangements for the protection of the border occupied by that force, while he has ably commanded several important expeditions into the adjacent mountains, concluding with that to Umheyala in 1863, when he was severely wounded, and compelled to return to Europe. Nor must it be forgotten that during the mutiny, when a large portion of the Punjab Irregular Force proceeded to Hindoostan, Sir Neville Chamberlain was, in the first instance, placed in command of the movable column for the security of the Punjab, and, subsequently, was called to the important post of Adjutant-general of the army at Delhi, in which capacity he was highly distinguished, and received a most severe wound. Not only was Sir Neville Chamberlain often distinguished on field service during his command of the Punjab irregular force, but he strenuously and successfully exerted himself for the discipline, efficiency, and welfare of the troops under his command; he cordially co-operated with the Civil Government in its effort for the benefit of the people, and he maintained a friendly intercourse with the principal natives in the neighbourhood of his command. In all these particulars he set an admirable example to all under his control,

an example which the Government would desire to see followed by all British officers in India. The Viceroy and Governor-general in council deeply regrets the retirement of such an officer from his command, but trusts he may again have the opportunity of serving his Sovereign in other capacities, when his health, shattered by numerous wounds and arduous service, has recovered under the influence of rest in his native country."

PROPOSED INCREASE OF THE SALT TAX.—The substitute for the income-tax most favoured at present by Sir C. Trevelyan and the wealthy zemindars of Bengal, is an increased taxation of the salt duty. We freely admit that the cost of salt, as compared with the rise in prices, is much less than it was when Mr. Wilson so largely raised the duty some years ago. It is, moreover, the only appreciable tax paid by the masses of the peasantry, besides that on land. To a slight extent the duty on this necessary of life might be raised without oppression; but it was never so dangerous to meddle with it as at present. Parliament is sitting, and last session the Hon. A. Kinnaird gave notice of a motion intended to expose the oppressive nature of this impost. Nothing can be more ignorant than the hatred of the philanthropic party to this tax, but this is the very reason for the probable success of any motion on the question; once, by the narrowest majority, the Government of India escaped an order to give it up. We are convinced that order will be sent if we do not follow the good policy—*quies non movere.*

THE GANGES CANAL has cost upwards of two millions sterling. Nearly another million must be spent on its head works because the formula on which it was constructed was borrowed, without inquiry, from the smaller canals with which we were then familiar. Sir Arthur Cotton fairly deserves some of the credit which he claims for the success of the great Godavery and Kistna irrigation works. In a controversy which he has been conducting in the London papers he asserts that the Ganges canal would have cost only half of the actual expenditure, and would have been returning twenty per cent. now, if the head had been made below the Solani, and the excavation had been so carried out as not to carry all the water below the surface. There is much truth in this, but it is hardly fair, when discussing the question of profits, to compare an irrigation canal which leads water to districts hitherto completely desert and yielding no land tax at all, with one which passes through fields previously cultivated and giving a considerable revenue. Projects for making a new cut parallel for some distance with the present Ganges Canal, and for remedying the rapidity of the fall of water at the head, have been drawn up. They will be immediately carried out at a cost of nearly eighty lakhs of rupees—a course which is the most economical now left.—*Friend of India.*

HAIL-STORM.—Nowgong, in Bundelcund, was visited by a severe hail-storm on the evening of the 7th February. In a quarter of an hour the station was clothed in a mantle of white, as if it had suddenly been transferred to Europe in winter. The crops in the track of the storm have been entirely ruined, for the hail-stones were very large; the gardens in cantonment were swept clean, and the trees half-stripped of leaves. The mango blossoms have perished.

COLONEL W. W. TURNER, C.B., of H.M.'s 97th Regiment, who has been brought upon the list of Brigadier-generals, will be appointed to the Saugor command. This appointment gives Lieut.-colonel Gloster, promoted from H.M.'s 38th Regiment, the command of H.M.'s 97th, at Saugor.

SIR HUGH ROSE is expected to leave Calcutta about the 23rd March, from which date he will resign his command. Sir Hugh is to visit Madras and Bombay *en route*, embarking for England from the latter port.

REINFORCEMENTS FOR BHOOTAN.—The Commissariat Department are as busy as the others in preparing and despatching supplies for the troops about to reinforce our army in the field. Major J. Willes, Deputy Commissary General at the Presidency, who had gone on his tour of inspection up-country, was recalled by telegraphic message before he had got beyond Benares, and is now occupied with the Commissariat arrangements for the troops going to the seat of war. The Ordnance Department are also busy in the Arsenal of Fort William; and guns and ammunition are being got ready for despatch to the frontier. Ten mortars, two nine-pounder guns, and two twenty-four-pounder howitzers, with a large supply of ammunition, leave Calcutta by the first river steamer for Assam; and further reinforcements and supplies will follow by every opportunity. A battery of six Armstrong guns has just arrived at the seat of war from the Allahabad Arsenal; and it is probable that a battery may also move up from Dinapore should necessity arise. We suppose that this time European artillery men will be employed, as it is probable that the men of the Eurasian battery who lost their guns at Dewangiri are seriously "demoralised" by this time.—*Englishman.*

MEDICAL SERVICE FUNDS.—The doctors, having terminated their differences with Sir Charles Wood, are now quarrelling with the Service Funds, which they represent as grasping donations and subscriptions for them, not in accordance with the pay which they receive as belonging to their rank, but in accordance with the pay which they ought to receive. A Civil Assistant Surgeon at one of the Eastern stations, being mulcted by the Military Fund as a Captain, represented to the Directors that the pay of his appointment is Rs. 400 a month, with Rs. 70 in addition, the Colonial allowance of a Subaltern, and especially mentioned as such. To this the Directors reply that his rank is that of a Captain, and that the Government ought to pay him as such; but they keep fast hold of the contributions which they have levied from him at the higher rate and order all others to be enforced at that rate for the future. This is arbitrary enough, but we doubt its justice.—*Englishman.*

MEER OF KOTAH.—It will be in the recollection of our readers that the Meer of Kotah some time ago attempted to build a fort after he had been informed that the Government would not allow him to do so, and that on his recusancy the fort was razed to the ground, and the land confiscated. The Meer would seem to have turned his energies, roughly directed from one pursuit, to another equally objectionable. Thinking, no doubt, the office of chieftain requires the exercise of a real governing power in him who holds it, and that unless he keeps his name and fame before their eyes his subjects might fancy he was but a myth, he has undertaken what Sir Herbert Edwards would call a crescentade against his Hindoo subjects, by imposing certain taxes relating to their religious ceremonies, which have, as a matter of course, produced considerable excitement and discontent. The Government have, therefore, been obliged to interfere to prevent the consequences, and have intimated to the Meer their displeasure at his recent proceedings.

SECOND CAPTAIN C. W. WILSON, of the C (Major Francis's) Battery of Royal Artillery, at Barrackpore, has been ordered to proceed with the utmost possible despatch to Assam, for employment with an Armstrong Battery at the seat of war in the Bhootan Doora.

BRIGADIER-GENERAL TOMBS has been appointed to the command of the Bhootan expedition, and in all probability the affair will have to be commenced *de novo.*

SIR W. MANSFIELD is expected to reach Simla about the end of March, when he will take over the command of the Indian army from Sir Hugh Rose.

CAPTAIN J. U. CHAMPAIN, of the Royal, late Bengal, Engineers, succeeds to the appointment of superintendent of the great telegraphic line from England to India, *via* Persia, vacant by the death, at Constantinople, of Lieutenant-colonel P. Stewart. Captain Champain has hitherto acted as superintendent of the Persian portion of the line, and assumed charge of the whole line on hearing of Lieut.-colonel Stewart's death. Though a young officer, Captain Champain is eminently qualified for the appointment in question, and his service in India gives him a speciality of aptitude, as regards Orientals and their languages, which could not be found in an engineer officer sent from England.

THE FOLLOWING REDUCTIONS IN THE ARTILLERY are to be carried out at once. No. 6 Battery 25th Brigade, being the junior battery in Bengal, to be reduced on its return from field service. E, F and G. batteries 22nd Brigade, being the junior field batteries in Bengal, to be reduced, to be converted into Garrison Batteries. The E, F and G Field Batteries will be designated in future as Nos. 5, 6 and 7 batteries, 22nd Brigade. The Supernumerary Non-Commissioned Officers and Artificers will be transferred to other batteries and be gradually absorbed, but, with the sanction of Government, they will receive the pay and allowances of their present ranks till the absorption has been completed.—*Hurkaru*.

SIR GEORGE COUPER has compiled a very excellent pamphlet, being an abstract of the Law of Evidence for the guidance of the officers in Oude. The contents are taken mostly from Phillip's work, with additions here and there, to suit the circumstances of the country. There is no doubt but that the compilation will be of great use to judicial officers whose knowledge of the Law of Evidence may be limited. The shortcomings of officials in this respect have been so palpable, as to have induced the judicial commissioner to supply an omission which has all along been felt.

H.M.'s 55TH REGIMENT, whose head-quarters are at Lucknow, with three Companies detached to Berhampore, has been ordered down towards the seat of war on the Eastern frontier. The head-quarters and right wing of the 55th will go to Cooch Behar for the present, and the left wing to Dooabree. The three companies at Berhampore will be relieved by three companies of H.M.'s 27th Inniskillings, ordered to Hazareebagh.

THE RAJAH OF KHYRIM.—His Excellency the Viceroy has granted to Ob Raban Sing, Rajah of Khyrim, subject to the confirmation of the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, a pensionary allowance of Rs. 850 per month, for the services he had rendered to the British Government during the late Cossya and Jyntee rebellion. On the chief's death the allowance will descend to his son and successor on the Guddee, and on the demise of the latter it will lapse to the State.

MEDICAL COLLEGE.—The Government contemplate the formation of a higher class in the Medical College, for Bengali students unacquainted with English, the present vernacular class being retained, as the Bengal Native Apothecary Class, whilst the new class is to be called the Vernacular Licentiate Class. The matter has been referred to the College Council for report.

RIOT AT RAWUL PINDEE.—A serious disturbance lately took place between some men of the Cashmere Raja's and the Sirdah's Afghans at Rawul Pindie, which ended in the discomfiture of the former, three of whom were killed before the British could interfere.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—The *Pioneer* states that Lieut. J. E. Tripp, the popular quartermaster of the 2nd Battalion of her Majesty's 12th Regiment, was killed on the 13th Feb., by a fall from his horse at Seetapore.

SALE OF WASTE LANDS IN ASSAM.—The following are the results of the sale of waste lands which took place at Debroghur on the 2nd February:—

625 acres, at Rs. 11 0 per acre.		
625 do.,	"	2 8 "
500 do.,	"	2 8 "
125 do.,	"	4 1 "
1,500 do.,	"	9 0 "
3,000 do.,	"	2 8 "

OFFICIAL MOVEMENTS.—Mr. Trotter, the Behar Opium Agent, has resigned the service; Mr. Toogood, Judge of Bheerboom, goes home on leave, and will probably be succeeded by Mr. Jenkins; Mr. Brotherib has also taken three months' leave, leaving Mr. A. Hope in charge of his office; Mr. Dodson, Judge of Mymensing, has applied for leave, his place to be filled by Mr. F. B. Simson, now acting as Commissioner of Cuttack.

MILITARY CHANGES.—In consequence of Colonel Dickens' promotion to the office of secretary in the P. W. D. to the Government of India, Colonel Maxwell will succeed him as chief engineer, Central Provinces. Colonel Beadle will be succeeded in the post of secretary to the Government of Bengal, P. W. D., by Major Chesney. Captain Hyde goes home almost immediately, and will be succeeded by Captain Trevor, of the controller's department.

ARCHERY AT MEERUT.—On the 16th February a grand archery meeting was held on the station cricket ground. The Meerut Cricket Club offered prizes for the Toxophilite Society to contest for. The first prize was won by Mrs. Jenkins, and the second by Miss Drummond. A band played some favourite airs, and there was a large attendance of spectators.

MR. G. OSBORNE, the Sub-deputy Opium Agent of Goruckpore, applied to the Lieut.-governor of Bengal to be permitted to retire from the service of Government on the pension of his rank. Mr. Osborne's salary is Rs. 900 per month, and as he has served the State for upwards of thirty years he has asked for a moiety of his salary to be granted as a pension.

CASHMERE.—There has been a miniature *coup d'état* at Cashmere, in consequence of some difference of opinion having arisen between the Maharajah Rumbheer Singh and Rajah Shere Ahmed Khan, which has culminated in the expulsion of the latter from Jummoo. The Rajah thereupon sought the assistance of the British Government, which was refused.

MAJOR GENERAL LORD GEORGE PAGET being gazetted for England, Major General Becher, C. B., will proceed immediately to relieve him in the command of the Sirhind Division. Colonel Williams, with the rank of Major General, comes out to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Lord Paget, and will assume command of the Oudh Division on arrival. Brigadier General Haly, C. B., gets the command of the Lahore Division, in succession to Major General Cunynghame, who goes home on furlough, or, as it is said, retires from the service.

NORTHERN INDIA RIFLE ASSOCIATION.—Northern India gives name to a Rifle Association which had its competition recently. The financial and general position of the association has now been made known; and in the report the association is said to be in an extremely flourishing condition, having a balance in its favour at the end of the year of Rs. 3,000. The total number of competitors in all the matches was 1,218, and the total amount of the entrances Rs. 3,613. The total cost of prizes borne by the association was 2,700 rupees.

H.M.'s 48TH REGIMENT.—The five companies of H.M.'s 48th Regiment, which were detained behind at Darjeeling, embarked on the 9th of February, on the ship *Winchester*, for England, under the command of Major J. R. Lovett, of the Regiment.

AFFRAY IN MUNEEPOOREE.—On the 6th February a party of one hundred and fifty Muneepoorees, under a proscribed chief living in Cachar, made an attempt to invade Muneepooree. The Cachar police, however, attacked them and kept them in check for some hours near the Gheree river, till a party of the 39th N.I., under Lieutenant Williams, arrived to their assistance. The Muneepoorees were then attacked and dispersed, with a loss of eleven killed, a large number of wounded, two iron guns, muskets, ammunition, standards, &c. Our loss was one sepoy, and one constable wounded. The conduct of the police in this instance and at Dewangiri shows that they are not so useless as the enemies of the new system once tried to make out, and that their drill and discipline have been at last found useful.

THE INDIAN MINTS.—The following statement of the silver received and coined in the Mints of Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay, in December, 1864, is published for general information:—

	BULLION OR COIN RECEIVED.		Coined.
	Govt.	Merchants.	
Bombay ...	3	—	40,98,867
Madras ...	5,365	2,38,214	8,25,000
Calcutta ...	74,300	9,78,872	41,01,140

MR. W. J. ALLEN, of the Board of Revenue, has applied for permission to retire from the Civil Service on the annuity of his rank.

OUDE COMMISSION.—Five civil servants of standing from the North-western Provinces are to be sent to Oudh, where they will hold the appointment of Deputy-commissioners of Districts. The paucity of experienced and efficient officers in that province is said to be great. Dr. Corbyn, who stands appointed to the Inspector-generalship of Prisons in Oudh, had not arrived in Lucknow, and the consequence of his absence was much felt in the management of the Central Jail.

ROORKEE.—This station is, by the departure of H.M.'s 20th, again left without troops. There are conflicting reports as to whether it is to be given up altogether as a military station. The Governor-General is said to be for abandoning it, while Sir Hugh Rose would enlarge and make a fine depot of it.

MAHOMED SHUFFEE.—It was a mistake to say that Mahomed Shuffee or any of his accomplices had received pardon. Mahomed Shuffee turned Queen's evidence and craved pardon; but no promise was made to him or to any of the others implicated in the Patna conspiracy. What may be done for them hereafter depends on the issue of Ahmedoolah's trial at Patna.

MR. BAINS, C.E.—The committee of the Punjab Exhibition have presented their architect, Mr. Bains, with a silver tea service, as a mark of their appreciation of his services and assistance. This is as it should be; they do things better in the Punjab than in Bengal.

THE NEW COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.—By the death of Sir W. Tuyl, his Excellency Sir William Mansfield has been promoted to the brevet rank of Lieut.-general. His Excellency left Bombay on board the *Dalhousie*, on the morning of the 13th Feb., for Kurrachee.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 7. Mayaram Dayaram, Scotta, Zanzibar; Joven Luis, Winter, Bombay.—8. Pomona, Guffin, Mauritius.—10. Eraanee, Swinscow.—13. Durham, Kerr, Gravesend; Marie Gabrielle, Blan, Bourbon; Mauritius, McIntyre, Mauritius; John Cropper, Fairler, Liverpool; Premabloy Hemabhooy, Williams, Boston; Iona, Berryman, Sunderland; str. Defiance, Maddison, Shanghai; Benton, Wallace, Newcastle; Bedfordshire, Macky, Liverpool; John Lidgett, Robertson, Bombay; Napore, Macdonald, Liverpool; Scuai Jehan, Jenkins, Bombay.—14. Pearl, Brown, and Himalaya, Cow, Mauritius; Impulse, Ingli, Moulmein.—15. Jamseljee Jeejobhoy, Muscat; Englishman, Herdwick, Liverpool.—17. Ophir, Octules, Bombay.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Eraanee.—Mrs. Swinscow, Mr. Steven.
Per str. Candia.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. and Mrs. Pasley, Miss Siddons, Maj. Eiderman, Mr. Manson, Mr. and Mrs. Donald, Mr. and Miss Tanse, Messrs. Raban, Mr. and

Mrs. Sprague, Capt. and Mrs. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Woodruffe, Mr. Temple, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Bradford, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Archer and infant, Mr. Cliffe, Misses George, Lieut. Green, Dr. Milne, Mr. D. Thompson, Mr. Wynne, Mr. and Mrs. Figg, Mr. de Remy, Mr. Little, Mr. Pearce, Mr. Pringle, Mr. James, Mr. Bickham, Mr. Abrahams, Mr. Plomer, Mr. Coupland, L. V. Fraser, W. Lahore, F. Stubbins, A. Smart, R. Blyth. From MAXSELLS.—Mr. and Mrs. and Miss Thornhill, Mr. Smyth, Mr. Payne, General Vetch and son, Mr. Severin, Mr. Wodehouse, Mr. Middleton, Mr. Sandby, Sir B. and Lady Peacock, Capt. and Mrs. Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Symonds, Mr. and Mrs. Ross, Capt. and Mrs. Taylor, Capt. and Mrs. Peake and three infants, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Shea, Mr. Steel, Mr. Vickers, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Hancock. From MALTA.—Mr. Hoscason. From CRYLOW.—Mr. Grant, Mr. McClellan, Mr. Calzado and wife, Mr. Wilson, the Rev. Mr. Maddock. From BOMBAY.—Mr. Christ, Mr. Deanes. From MADRAS.—Capt. and Mrs. Foote, Mr. Anderson, Dr. McPherson, Mr. Kent and brother, Maj. Jankey, Mr. Crohan.

Per str. Lightning.—From SINGAPORE.—The Right Hon. E. Levinge, Mr. Edward T. Trevor, Miss Trevor.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 3. Erymanthe, Jehenne, Galle via Madras Coast; Japanee, Boyd, Shanzhai; Lodore, Howat, Hong Kong; Northfleet, Symington, China; Rattlesnake, Nacoda, Rangoon; Ann, Hugon, Bombay; Agra, Macaulay, China.—4. Koina, Troth, Bombay; Radama, Daigre, Havre; Atlet Bohonnan, Jones, Mauritius; Maygie Lauder, Thomas, Shanghai; Venus, Rocfood, Singapore.—5. Glazepore, Owen, Liverpool; The Duke, Hawkins, Colombo; Glen Isla, Cowan, Bombay; Van Capellen, Sewell, Hull; Alfred, Norris, Bombay; Emperor, Edom, Shanghai.—6. Renown, Taylor, London.—7. Mauritius, Hadcock, London via Madras and Cape, Berhampore, MacMillan, Liverpool; James Crossfield, Cumming, Hong Kong; Startled Fawn, Kirk, Bombay.—8. Orissa, Templeton, Chittagong and Akyab; Hipolyta, Follet, Hong Kong; Fez Robance, Lowther.—9. India, Balantine, Bombay; Queen of the Age, Clyma, London; Alawick Castle, De Carterett, London.—10. Fusi Yama, Dundas, Penang and Singapore; Simla, Weston, Suez; Glasgow, Smith, London; David Melver, Gaze, China; Chevy Chase, Blaxter, Shanghai; Harry Warren, Atwood, New York.—11. Art Union, Polson, China.—12. Winchester, Gideon, London, Atlet Bohonnan, Jones, Mauritius; Simla, Hackett, London; Severn, King, Galle; Madura, Brown, Bombay; Amoor, Buchanan, London; Dharwar, Loutid, Bombay; Chrysolite, Sorrie, London; Franc Marin, Le Franc, False Point.—14. Cambay, Joughin, Liverpool; Isles of the South, Davidson, China; Sir John Lawrence, Sinclair, London.—15. Result, Dickenson, London; Fiery Cross, Cowan, Muscat; Radipool, Bourdello, Mauritius; Angel, Barrau, Bourbon.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Alawick Castle.—Mrs. Touch and two children, Mrs. Low, Mrs. Gregson, three Misses Gregson and five Masters Gregson, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Gregory and child, Mrs. Teal, Miss Dryberg, Maj. W. B. Battiscombe, 91st Highlanders, Maj. Drysdale, Capt. R. C. Low, 13th Bengal Cav., Capt. E. T. Gregory, 95th Foot; Capt. E. B. Barnaby, 51st Foot, Staff Surg. Touch, M.D., Lieut. M. Tucker, 2-10th Foot, Lieut. Steer, late 3rd Madras Eur. Regt.

Per Messageries Impériales str. Erymanthe.—Mr. and Mrs. Orr, Mr. De Souza, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mr. Lerris, Mr. and Mrs. Alexandre and children, Mr. Caurau, Mr. Duchamp, Mr. LeFebvre, Mr. Boteu, Mr. Brochery, Mr. Zeuener, Mr. Seegmuler, Mr. Goubert and his two sons, Miss Delaëlle, Mr. P. Spilmann, Mr. P. Pernon, Mr. A. Delaëlle, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Pumpidge, Mr. Mont, Capt. Pudson, Mr. Staffels, Maj. Cnsp.

VESSELS SPOKEN.

By Durham.—Nov. 11, Napoleon Wester East, from Terceira to New Zealand, in lat. 60 S., long. 31-0 W. Nov. 24, Marion Moon, from Liverpool to Calcutta, in lat. 89-0 S., long. 25-0 E. Dec. 16, Platynus, from Glasgow to Moreton Bay, in lat. 40-0 S., long. 33-0 E. Dec. 20, Daybreak, from Shields to Hong Kong; Lady Macdonald, from London to Kurrachee, in lat. 40 S., long. 58 E. Dec. 26, Edinburgh Castle, from Glasgow to Singapore, in lat. 37 S., long. 77-0 E. Dec. 30, Lady Darling, from Liverpool to Melbourne, in lat. 28 S., long. 86 E. Jan. 20, Norwester, from Glasgow to Madras. Jan. 28, L'Imperatrice Eugénie, from Calcutta to Bordeaux. Dec. 10, Transit, from Cardiff to Melbourne.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, Feb. 21, 1865.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price
4 per Cent., Sa.	Sa. Rs. 88	12 to 89 0
Do. Transfer Stock.	Sa. Rs. 90	...
4 per Cent. Co.'s Rs.	94 1/2	89 4 to 89 8
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co.'s Rs. 100	8 1/2 to 3 10 pm.
5 1/2 per Cent.	Co.'s Rs. 100	102 to 102 4
5 per cent., 56-57	Co.'s Rs. 100	103 to 108 12

EXCHANGE.

	On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight	... 2 1½ to 2 15-16
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight	... 2 1 to 2 1½
Bills with Docs.	at 6 months' sight	... 2 1½ to 2 1½
Bank Post Bills	at 1 months' sight	... 2 0 to 2 0½

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paied-up.	Quoted at
Ra. exch.	Ra.	Ra.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	1400 to 1410
Alliance Tea Company	85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	200	510 to 520
Balasun Tea Company	100	135 to 140
Bank of Bengal	1000	195 1/2
Do. Interest bearing	1000	7900 to 8200
Beerbhoom Coal Company	1000	840 to 845
Do.	1000	175
Bengal Coal Company	1000	110 to 1110
Bengal Printing Company	100	15 to 10 dis.
Bengal River Company	1000	680
Bengal Tea Company	100	175 to 180
Do. new paid-up	100	183

Bengal Oil Company	250	par Nomina
Bengal Credit Mobilier (Lim.)	100	143
Bishnauth Tea Company	200	235 to 240
Do. new paid-up	200	230 to 232
Bonded Warehouse Association	445	695
British India Tea	80	par
Burdwan Stone Company	100	75 to 80
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	185
Do. (Contributory)	115	15 to 16 dis.
Cachar Tea Company	600	1370 to 735
Do.	450	50 to 55 pm.
Calcutta Docking Company	700	1370 to 1375
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	585 to 600
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	52	82
Central Assam Tea Company	200	101
Central Cachar Tea Company	100	275 to 285
Chatlawhar Tea Company	25	5 to 10 dis.
Commercial Transport Association	100	par
Dehra Doon Tea Company	100	90 to 92
Delhi Bank Corporation	600	710
Do. Teria Tea Company	100	96 to 97
Durrung Tea Company	45	5 dis.
E. B. Indigo Company	100	75 to 80
East India Coal Company	100	35 to 36
East India Railway Company	218	215 to 216
Do.	100	118 to 120
Do.	80	12 to 13 pm.
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	135 to 130
Do.	75	15 to 20 pm.
Eastern Bengal Railway Company	218	215
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000	1375
Eastman and Company	250	230 to 235
Equitable Coal Company	250	215 Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	500	Nominal
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	250
Gola Ghant Tea Company	250	308
Goswary Cotton Mills	60	8 to 10 dis.
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	390
Hoghty Steam Tug Company	1000	1210 to 1225
Hoghty Lighter Association	80	10 to 15 dis.
Hose Town Tea Association	100	105
Hose Town Equitable Tea Company	100	105
Howrah Docking Company	600	615
Hunter and Company	250	200 to 220
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	780 to 790
Jorehaut Tea Company	200	745 to 780
Kunchanpore Tea Company	100	1250
Kurong and Darjeeling Tea Co.	250	245 to 249
Landing Shipping	100	20 to 25 dis.
Leibong and Minchou Tea Company	65	par to 5 pm.
Lower Assam Tea Company	85	par
Luckimpre Tea Company	155	50 to 55 pm.
Monacherra Tea Company	60	par
Muttuck Tea Company	50	par
Mutual Tea Company	100	122
Do.	70	14 pm.
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	272 1/2
New Fort Gloster Company	600	1400 to 1150
Peoples Bank of India	100	75 to 80
Punjab Bank	100	120 to 122
Punjab Trading	75	10 pm.
Punjab Tea Company	100	100 duli
Do.	37	par Nominal
Ramghur Tea Company	100	par
Do.	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	142
R. Scott Thomson and Company	500	500
Screwing Company (Limited)	200	185
Sea Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.
Seebaugor Tea Company	100	82
Simla Bank	500	650 to 655
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Sooni Tea Company	80	12 to 15 pm.
Sooripore Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1510
Do.	750	450 to 450 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100	75 to 80
Speece's Hotel Company	250	230
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	200	165 to 170
Tirhoot Indigo	200	202 to 205 1/2
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	200 to 205
Do.	60	par Nominal
Union Steam Tug Company	250	220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	100	180 to 182
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to 240
Do.	190	14 to 16 dis.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
	Nominal.	Nominal.
Saltpetre	21 5 0 to 1 10 0	0 0 0
Sugar	1 10 0 to 2 0 0	0 0 0
Rice	2 12 6 to 2 15 0	0 0 0
Seeds	0 0 0 to 0 0 0	0 0 0
Jute	0 0 0 to 0 0 0	0 0 0
Cotton	0 0 0 to 0 0 0	3 15 0

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE REPORTED DISAPPEARANCE OF ONE OF THE MALDIVES ISLANDS.—A paragraph has been going the round of the papers that one of the islands of the Maldivé group has disappeared, and that the "Rajah of Cannanore" has thereby sustained a loss of some three lacs of rupees. It would appear that the discovery of this remarkable phenomenon was made by some fishermen belonging to the island who went out in the morning, and looked in vain for their homes in the evening. We have made particular inquiries on the subject, and find that the tale is wholly without foundation. In the first place, the Maldives are under the control of their own independent petty chiefs, and not subject to the "Rajah," or, more properly speaking, the Begum of Cannanore.

There is an annual exchange of commodities between the Maldives and this market, and several small craft have arrived from those islands within the last three or four months; but they have not in the most indirect manner mentioned the disaster alluded to. The Laccadive group, including Minicoy, is under the Begum of Cannanore, subject to the control of the Collectorate of Malabar; and there appears to be some trade between the islands and the Malabar Coast, the latter furnishing condiments and rice, in exchange for cowries, coir, cocoanuts, and tortoise shells. The islanders at best derive but a precarious subsistence, and on some occasions when their supplies failed the Indian Government have frequently forwarded supplies of rice and other provisions. To their credit it must be said that whenever our seamen have been thrown amongst them by the disasters of shipwreck they have always acted in a friendly and inoffensive manner towards them, frequently assisting them with their native boats with the means of transport to the coast. If the submergence of one of the latter islands was the event referred to it is surprising that no private or official report has ever reached the authorities on this coast.—Western Star.

MASULIPATAM.—An official paper has been published, being a report by the Zillah Surgeon at Masulipatam, in reference to the probable effects, immediate and remote, of the late inundation on the health of the inhabitants. The calamity, it is estimated, left about sixty thousand carcasses of men and animals, some of which were burned, and others were left to putrify and to contaminate the atmosphere. Besides the danger arising to public health from this cause, another source of danger occurred in the contamination of the water in the wells, the whole country in the neighbourhood of Masulipatam having been flooded. Pure water has already been introduced into the town from the river, but the pathetic and perhaps prejudiced natives can scarcely be lifted out of the rut of their conventionality and habit, and prefer the unwholesome and brackish well water to the purer beverage from the river. The result has been a general prevalence of diarrhoea, approaching to dysentery, among them, and the report holds out the ominous anticipation that these maladies and fever will prevail extensively for many months to come. The European families have been advised to leave the station, and the prisoners now on their way to it have been ordered not to proceed to the town. A second Assistant Surgeon and such a number of medical subordinates as may be required are also ordered to be appointed to meet the outbreak of the epidemic. Another result of the submergence of the ground under the wave has been the total destruction of vegetation around Masulipatam, and the impregnation of the soil with salt to the depth of four or five feet. The most liberal and rigorous irrigation with fresh water will be necessary to purge the soil of the alien element which it has received.

POSTAL IRREGULARITIES.—One of the thorns in the flesh of the European portion of Indian society is the condition of the postal service, and the irregularities in a district of the Madras Presidency are about to be exposed in the trial of the late deputy-postmaster of Wellington and Coimbatore, who has been charged with fraudulently secreting several hundreds of letters. The magistrate before whom the case was originally brought has deemed it of such public importance that it has been sent for trial at the next sessions.

THE RAJAH OF MYSORE.—The settlement of the debts of the Rajah of Mysore has at length been brought to a highly satisfactory conclusion. The inquiry has been most judiciously conducted by Captain Elliot, assisted by Dr. Campbell, and at his Highness's request the sum of Rs. 10,000 has been presented to those gentlemen as an acknowledgment of their services.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—We regret to learn from Secunderabad of the attempted suicide of Lieutenant H. Adams, of H.M.'s 18th Royal Irish Regiment. The unfortunate gentleman cut his throat with a razor, and, although the wound is dangerous, hopes are entertained of his recovery. He had been on the sick list for some time, and it is thought that his lengthened illness preyed upon his mind, and led him to make an attempt upon his life. Lieut. Adams has been in the army since 1855, and has served a considerable portion of the time in India, is one of the senior lieutenants in the 18th Regiment, and being very popular, the event has caused a melancholy feeling to pervade both the regiment and the station.—*Hurkaru*, Feb. 20.

MODEL FARM.—A correspondence has taken place between the Agricultural and Horticultural Society of Madras and the Madras Board of Revenue, with reference to the establishment of a model farm, with a view to give an example of what may be called scientific farming to the natives. Such an idea involves agriculture, artificial irrigation, deep ploughing and the thorough cleaning of land, the growth of green crops to feed cattle during the hot months, and the improvement of stock. The introduction of green crops for such purposes will meet an evil incident to the presidency under present circumstances; as the Madras cattle, towards the beginning of the rainy season, are in such a miserable state of inanition for want of food, that they are totally unfit for the work required of them, being too weak even to draw the smallest ploughs which the Government of Madras has lately imported from England. It is expected that the Government will grant several hundred acres for the experiment, and as the plan coincides with Sir William Denison's scheme for the introduction of English implements of agriculture among the natives, there can be little doubt that the expectation will be realised.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LICENSE TAX ON TRADES AND PROFESSIONS.—The scheme of a license-tax on all trades and professions, which Mr. Cassels proposes (we presume at the suggestion of Government) to make part of the new Municipal Bill for Bombay, and the amended section relative to the octroi, are obviously intended to provide the bench of justices with the means of abolishing the town duties before the end of the year 1867. In a great city like Bombay the objections to a license-tax lose their force, for there is no doubt that it can be collected at a small cost and without annoyance to the people; while the productiveness of this new form of direct taxation will be such as to relieve the community from the pressure of these impolitic and oppressive duties on the chief necessities of life, which have aggravated the sufferings of the poor during the recent period of high prices in Bombay. According to the census taken last year there are more than 100,000 families in the island; and, supposing only half these families to come within the scope of the license-tax, and dividing them among the different classes in due proportion, it may fairly be expected that the tax will yield a revenue for the municipality of fully 8 lacs of rupees, or say double the present revenue from town duties.—*Bombay Gazette*.

RECLAMATION WORKS.—Tenders are invited for completing the reclamation between the Wellington Pier and Arthur Bunder; and we have reason to believe that tenders will soon be out also for reclaiming Moodee Bay. These works, it is to be hoped, will now be pushed on vigorously, the means for carrying on the same having been sanctioned by the Supreme Government.

THE SHAMJEE FAIR, KATTIAWAR.—The fair was held between the 9th and 25th of November last, and the value of the cattle and merchandise brought to it for sale is stated at Rs. 21,18,854. The sales effected amounted to Rs. 28,86,891, leaving goods to the value of Rs. 63,1,963 unsold. A table of the goods brought to, and sales effected at, the same fair for the past ten years accompanies the report, and from this statement it appears that the sales at this fair exceed by a very large amount those of any other year in the table. Chintzes and piece goods seem to have been a drug in the fair, as a very large quantity of these goods remained unsold at the close; the report states that "this state of things is owing to the unsettled state of the cotton market at the time." The goods sold in this department, it seems, did not reach anything like the prices expected, and sales were generally effected at a loss. The accommodation at the fair has, according to the report, been increased by the Maharaj of Edur, who has built, during the past year, eighty-three new shops, and intends to build one hundred more before the next fair is held. It is gratifying to find that the fair passed off without any disturbance of any kind, and without any case of robbery or violence occurring within a circuit of twelve miles from it. The roads leading to the fair have not been made as good as they might be, and the political agent has represented the matter to the Maharaj, so it is probable that before the next fair is held they will be in a better state.

GRANT TO PROFESSOR HAUG.—The Bombay Government have sanctioned a grant of Rs. 5,000 to Professor Haug on his leaving the service, both as a gratuity for his distinguished services in the encouragement of Sanscrit literature, and by way of compensation for the low amount of his salary, which has been less than that of the other professors. He obtains also a free passage to Europe, of which, however, he will not avail himself until the beginning of next year. Of course these grants are made subject to the consent of Sir Charles Trevelyan, which, it is to be hoped, will hardly be withheld in this instance; but it is impossible to say what he may or may not do. Not long ago the Bombay Government applied for Rs. 6,000 a-year for the education of the Portuguese in this Presidency, and the Government of India refused it.

THE RECENT ATTEMPT TO UPSET A TRAIN.—The exertions of the local authorities of the district, aided by the Commissioner of Police of Bombay, to find out the miscreants who lately made the diabolical attempt to overturn a railway passenger train on the Egutpoora line have partially been crowned with success, as four men have been apprehended at Nipar, two of whom have volunteered to confess all, if permitted to turn Queen's evidence; but as there is a great deal of corroborative testimony also available, their offer has not been accepted by the authorities. In the event, however, of the corroborative evidence not being sufficient to procure their conviction, it is intended to permit one of the volunteers to turn Queen's evidence.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM COMPANY.—Arrangements have been concluded between the directors of the British India and Messageries Imperiales Steam Navigation Companies for the interchange at Galle of passengers and cargo. By these arrangements passengers and goods may be at once shipped from any of the ports within the extensive range of the British India Steam Navigation Company's coasting lines direct to Singapore, Saigon, Batavia, Hong Kong, and Shanghai. The agreement comes into effect with the steamer *Bushie*, leaving Bombay on 1st March.

CLERICAL APPOINTMENTS.—Consequent on the retirement from the service of the Rev. R. F. Colvin, the Rev. M. M. Ross is appointed senior chaplain Church of Scotland in Bombay, and the Rev. D. Macpherson, chaplain.

BAR APPOINTMENTS.—Mr. W. J. Orr, who proceeded to Europe by the mail steamer of the 14th February, on leave on private affairs for six months, is succeeded by Mr. J. J. Curnin as acting Clerk to the Chief Justice, Sealer of the High Court, Commissioner and Clerk to the Insolvent Debtors' Court, &c. It is more than probable that Mr. Orr will not take up his appointments on the expiration of his leave, it being expected that a certain high functionary of the court will, about that time, retire on pension, which will leave a highly lucrative appointment open, which, it is believed, will be given to the fortunate nephew of our learned Chief Justice.

SCHOOL OF ART.—His Excellency the Governor paid his visit to Mr. Rainford, at his studio in the School of Art on Feb. 20, and inspected with much interest the portraits on which that accomplished artist is now engaged. A commission has been given to Mr. Rainford to paint portraits of Sir Bartle and Lady Frere for the Bombay Exhibition of 1866. After leaving the studio his Excellency went over the School of Art, looking at the works of the students and expressing much pleasure at the visible results of the progress made by them under the efficient superintendence of Mr. Terry.

THE BHEELS.—It is reported that the Bheels are more than usually troublesome this year. They have recently committed many outrages upon Scindiah's subjects. Their attacks are mostly made at night. They have been particularly troublesome in the Amjherra district, to which place the Gwalior durbar has despatched a body of troops, cavalry and infantry, for the protection of the inhabitants. In order to punish the robbers, and to do so effectually, the British authorities have requested the Sir-Soubah of Malwa to co-operate in this movement. The Bheels will thus be placed between two fires, and will probably have a rather severe lesson administered to them.

PROPOSED STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING.—We are informed that an offer of eight lakhs of rupees has been made and refused for the building at present occupied by the Bank of Bombay and belonging to the Bombay Presidency Bank. It is reported that the parties who have made this offer contemplated to use the building for a stock-exchange, for which its spacious ground-floor seems well adapted. If this plan is carried out, the public may hope to be allowed again a free passage through Meadow Street, which is at present held in a state of siege by the share-brokers.

DEATH OF JUDGE WALTER.—We regret to have to announce the death of Mr. Charles Walter, of the Bombay Civil Service, acting session judge and agent for sirdars in the Deccan. Mr. Walter was an amiable man and an upright judge; his death is very generally deplored, and the State will feel his loss. His remains were interred on Friday afternoon, attended by a large concourse of friends who respected him in life and honoured him in death.—*Deccan Herald*, Feb. 27.

THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT of the Bombay Secretariat is shortly to be amalgamated with the Political and Secret departments, when several of the assistants in the former who are entitled will retire on their pensions. It is believed that Mr. P. Ryan, the present assistant secretary in the last-named department, will have the whole of the establishment placed under his superintendence, and will of course be allowed a proportionally increased salary.

SIR CHARLES VAN STRAUBENZEE has arrived in Bombay from Guzerat, and proceeds hence to Poona to take up his appointment as Acting Commander-in-Chief on the 10th of March. Sir Charles's military secretary will, we understand, be his nephew, Captain Van Straubenzee.

MR. CHAPMAN succeeds Mr. Ravenscroft as Secretary to Government in the Revenue, Political, and General Departments.

LIEUT. COL. KENNEDY has been appointed acting Secretary to Government in the railway department, in addition to his other duties; and **Lieut. Col. de Lisle**, Acting Consulting Engineer in the same department, during the absence on leave of Col. Rivers; **Lieut. Merriman, R.E.**, has also been appointed Deputy Consulting Engineer Railway Department. It is generally believed that Col. Rivers will go home at the expiration of his present leave.

NATIVE LIBERALITY.—A member of the Wadia family has placed at the disposal of Government Rs. 25,000 for the purpose of causing a charitable dispensary to be erected at Tanna, in the memory of his grandfather, Mr. Cursetjee Rustomjee Wadia.

MR. CHAPMAN, Collector of Sattara, has been appointed Secretary to Government in the Revenue, Financial, and General Departments; the Governor's Private Secretary, Mr. J. R. Arthur, going to Sattara as Acting Collector.

BANK MANAGERS.—It is a curious fact connected with the recent commercial revolution in Bombay that out of twenty-one Banks established here, fourteen, or exactly two-thirds of them, have changed their managers within the last four or five months.

ELPHINSTONE LAND COMPANY.—The full amount realised by the auction sale of the 3,600 new shares of the Elphinstone Land and Press Company on Tuesday (21st February) was Rs. 8,158,875, which gives a premium of about Rs. 2,266½ on each share.

THE SHIP "WILLIAM STEVENSON" was submitted for sale by public auction by Messrs. Crawford and Co. on the 20th February, and was purchased by Mr. Cadurbhoy Alladin, Borah, for Rs. 12,000.

MR. GEORGE INVERARITY, Commissioner of Customs, intends shortly to proceed to England. Mr. Hadow, the Collector and Magistrate of Poona, will succeed him.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 13. Albert Victor, Overbury, Greenock.—14. John Allen, Horne, Calcutta.—17. Salamance, Liverpool, London.—18. War Cloud, Anderson, Liverpool; Jane Jack Mitchell, Banlay, Liverpool; Indian Merchant, Gibbs, Calcutta; Regina, Brown, Rangoon; str. Baroda, Haselwood, Southampton.—19. Bombay, Miller, Liverpool; Becherdass Ambaidass, Mosay, Liverpool; Louisa, Nacoda, Bussorah.—20. Northern Belle, Hibbert, Liverpool; Stag, Ellis, Mauritius; Brierley Hill, Crisp, London; Algiers, Miller, Liverpool; Eagle, Cuthbert, Liverpool; str. Emeu, Methew, Hong Kong.—21. str. Pelwan, Kelly, Liverpool; str. Dalhousie, Morland, Karachi.—22. Tora, Barsoe, Singapore; str. Koina, Trole, Calcutta; Trenton, Walker, Liverpool; Frenchman, Galloway, Liverpool.—23. Palmerston, Dougall, Liverpool.—25. Sam Mendel, Murdoch, Liverpool.—26. Sir J. Mandeville, Greig, Liverpool; Edmund Graham, Davis, Liverpool.—26. str. Margaret Crawford, Jenkins, Goa.—27. H.M.s. str. Vigilant, Hobson, Metrich Cove; Fanny Wulff, Bushire.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 13. Inkermann, Grant, Liverpool; Water Witch, Wilkes, Calcutta; Nagasaki, Campbell, Calcutta; William Riton, Brongh, Tellicherry; Kirchner, Dinklay, Gungum.—14. Planet, Jenkins, Colombo; str. Carnatic, Angove, Aden and Suco; str. Euphrates, Day, Bushire.—15. Fair Leader, Pearce, Cochin; str. Ottawa, Eastley, China, &c.; Stamboul, Bicker, Calcutta.—16. Governor-General, Hunter, Liverpool; str. Tydney, Beyta, Aden and Jooda.—17. City of Agra, Sleight, Liverpool.—18. Douglas, Bathie, Rangoon; Tythonus, Alexander, Liverpool; Dorothea, Goulchow, Colombo.—21. James Booth, William, Liverpool; Diamond, Lang, Calcutta; Donald Mackey, Richard, London via Kurachee.—22. Providence, Cassey, Mauritius; str. John Bright, Betham, China.—23. Michael Scott, Betham, Liverpool; Teazer, Nacoda, Jooda and Hoodoodah; John Masterman, May, Coast and Calcutta.—24. Ellinore, Campbell, Liverpool; Merchant Prince, Treen, Liverpool; Mozuffer, Loringen, Moulmein; Kate Gregory, Walker, Hong Kong.—25. Ocean Belle, Harrison, Moulmein; Futlay Sallam, Miles, Calcutta.—27. Shaw Allum, Masteria, Cannanore; Cannanore, Gachet, Bordeaux and Coast; Kennington, Edwards, Colombo.—28. Mail str. Malta, Gribble, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Malta.—For Aden.—Capt. J. Clements, Mr. R. McDonald, Capt. Fraser, Serg. John Day.—For Suco.—Mr. E. Temple, Dr. Archer, Mr. O'Hagan, the Rev. Mr. James McKee, Mr. H. J. Griffiths, Mr. Hoare and infant, Signor A. Carini, Signor A. Frezozo, Mr. Thull, Mr. H. Geissler, Mr. Henry Denny. For MALACCA.—Mr. George Trim, C.E., Mr. and Mrs. Birch, Mr. Roberts, Mrs. G. Inverarity, Mr. Cowan, Mr. H. A. Hurst,

Mr. and Mrs. Ravenstoft, Mrs. Cameron, Mr. James Boosey, Mr. and Mrs. Showell, Mr. Frank Robertson, Mr. Hoare, Mrs. Prior, Bishop of Brisbane, Mr. Allen, Mr. Good, Mr. Gavin and three children, Lieut. Ducat, Lieut. Boyd, Mr. Dugas. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Kennedy and four children, Maj. A. E. Etheridge and two children, Miss Page and fourteen children, Mrs. Plomer and two children, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. Taylor and three infants, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Burn and child, Mr. G. Bradley, Mrs. Penrose and three children, Capt. and Mrs. R. C. Battiscombe and three children, Mr. Bulkeley, Miss Bennett, Mr. S. R. Sassoon. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. and Mrs. Segrandi, Capt. G. E. Barton, Mr. and Miss Bozzetti, Mr. Papini, Mr. Emerson and wife. For MALTA.—Mr. Robert Leslie Crawford, Mr. Hanbury.

VESSELS SPOKEN.

By Salamance.—Nov. 21, Becherdass Ambaidass, from Liverpool to Bombay, in lat. 11-37 N., long. 20-10 W. Jan. 15, Trenton, from Liverpool to Bombay, in lat. 12-9 S., long. 74-54 E. Jan. 2, Ala, bound to Ceylon, in lat. 39-38 S., long. 68-44 E. Jan. 19, Frenchman, from Liverpool to Point de Galle, in lat. 6-23 S., long. 73-15 E. Jan. 22, Gladstone, from Liverpool to Point de Galle, in lat. 4-5 S., long. 78-19 E. Dec. 15, Napier, from London to Auckland, in lat. 36-20 S., long. 9-53 W.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, Feb. 28, 1865.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks—at 6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s. 1-16d.
6 ditto ditto 2s. 1 5-16d. Cred. Bills.
6 ditto ditto 2s. 1 7-16d. Docs.
On Calcutta, at sight, per 100 100½
Ditto at 30 days' ditto 99½
Ditto at 60 days' ditto 98½
On Madras, at 30 days' ditto 100½
On China, at 60 days' ditto Rs. 223 per 100 dols.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES.

Agra Bank (Rs. 500).....	150 pr. cent. pm
Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000).....	128 do.
Bank of India (Rs. 25).....	50 pm.
Banker's Banking Co. (Rs. 20).....	13 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 250).....	60 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200).....	190 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500).....	105 do.
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200).....	100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 20).....	83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 250).....	190 dolinc. sh.
Oriental Bank Corporation (Rs. 250).....	180 pm.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25).....	13 do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000).....	140 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000).....	par
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 2,700).....	Rs. 6,000 p. sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667).....	Rs. 14,500 p. sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co.—	
(A) share (Rs. 6,000).....	3600 Rs. 1,35,000 pm
(B) share (Rs. 6,000).....	
Frere Press Co. (Rs. 250).....	Rs. 49,500 pm.
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000).....	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,200).....	
Great Indian Peninsular Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 218-3-0).....	10 prem.
Ditto, New £20 Shares (Rs. 87-4-4).....	Rs. 5 prem.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Co. (Rs. 1,000).....	par.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000).....	Rs. 300 prem.
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company (Rs. 1,100).....	Rs. 150 pre
Manockjee Pitty's Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 850).....	Rs. 75 prem.
House and Land Investment Co. (Rs. 200).....	Rs. par
Bombay Shipping Co. (Rs. 1,500).....	Rs. 4,000
Iron Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000).....	Rs. 200 dis.
Oriental Ship Owning Association (Rs. 250).....	Rs. 25 pm.
Prince of Wales Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000).....	Rs. 400 dis.
Western India Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000).....	Rs. par
Hydraulic Press Co. (Rs. 4,000).....	Rs. 3,000 p. sh.
Coorla Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000).....	Rs. 700 prem.
Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 2,500).....	Rs. 400 prem.
Colaba Land Co. (Rs. 10,000).....	Rs. 90,000 pr. sh.
Bonded Warehouse Co. (Rs. 400).....	Rs. par
Back Bay Reclamation Co., Rs. 5,000 paid-up Oriental Weaving and Spinning Company (Rs. 2,500).....	47,000 pm.
Royal Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 1,500).....	Rs. 400 prem.
Victoria Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000).....	Rs. 350 prem.
	Rs. 2,500 prem.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Four per Cent. Sicca Rs. Trans. Loan.....	Rs. 95
" " Sicca Rs. Loan 1832-33.....	" 95
" " Co.'s Rs. Loan 1835-36.....	" 90½
" " " " 1842-43.....	" 90½
" " " " 1854-55.....	" 102½
Five per Cent. Co.'s Rs. Loan.....	" 109
Five-and-a-Half per Cent.	" 109

PRICE OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns.....	each, Rs. 10-8
Bank of England Notes.....	" 10
Spanish Dollars.....	" 210
Carous Dollars.....	" 290
Mexican Dollars.....	" 226
Five Franc Pieces, Rs. 232 tolas.....	" 208
German Crowns.....	" 214½
Bar Silver, 17 and 17½ dwt. better, per 100 tolas.....	" 106-10
Sycee Silver.....	" 105
Gold Leaf 99½ touch.....	" 16-12
Gold Bars, English.....	" 16-10
Ditto, Pekin.....	" 16-8

FREIGHTS.

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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Fort William, Feb. 4.—No. 1,202a.—Mr. J. C. Robertson, C.S., is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl. for a period of three years, from the date of embarkation.

Feb. 8.—No. 1,205a.—The Right Hon. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to reattach to the Bengal div. of the Presidency of Fort William Lord H. U. Browne, C.S., who reported his return from furl. on this date.

No. 1,264.—Mr. C. Currie, C.S., is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl. for a period of three years, from the date of embarkation.

No. 1,265.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to permit Mr. F. A. E. Dalrymple to resign the C.S. from 9th inst.

No. 1,266.—The undermentioned officer in the Central Provinces is invested with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class:—

Lieut. R. M. B. Thomas, asst. comr., Jubbulpore district.

No. 1,267.—The services of Dr. L. F. Dickson, in medical charge of Chanda, are placed at disposal of foreign dept.

No. 1,268.—Mr. N. A. Garstin, asst. district supt. of police, officiated as district supt. of Seetapore from Nov. 30 to Dec. 7, 1864, and at Gonda from Dec. 9 to Jan. 16, 1865.

Feb. 10.—No. 1,272.—Mr. Prince, senior insp. of the Lucknow city police, is appd. to offic. as asst. dist. supt. of police, during the abs. on leave of Lieut. G. S. Noble.

No. 1,273.—Three mo. priv. leave of abs. is granted to Mr. F. Macnaghten, Judge of the Small Cause Court at Jubbulpore, from March 1, or from such subsequent date as he may avail himself of the same.

No. 1,274.—Mr. B. C. Bailey, supnt. of telegraphs in charge of the East Coast Circle, to offic. as director of the West div.

Feb. 10.—No. 1,275.—Rev. J. Dawson, asst. chap. of the Church of Scotland, on the Bengal estab., reported his departure from India per steamer *Erymanthe* on the 3rd inst.

No. 1,276.—Lieut. J. W. W. Costley, 23rd regt. royal Welsh fus., appd. to offic. as asst. supt. of police in notification No. 5,777, dated Nov. 25, 1864, reported his arrival at Rangoon on the afternoon of Jan. 21.

Feb. 7.—No. 41.—Notification No. 275, dated Nov. 17 last, investing Lieut. H. C. A. Szczepanski, assist. comr., Hyderabad, with the powers of a mag., is hereby cancelled. Lieut. Szczepanski is invested with the powers of a mag.

No. 64.—Military.—Lieut. J. J. Mignon, adjt. 2nd regt. Central India Horse, has priv. leave for 2 months, from 10th inst.

No. 291.—Capt. A. B. Cumberlege, dep. comr. of Sumbulpore, in the Central Provs., has obtained priv. leave of absence for 3 mos., from the date on which he may avail himself of it.

No. 293.—Mr. D. Simson, comr. of the Fyzabad div. in Oude, has obtained leave of absence for 29 days, from the date on which he may avail himself of it, to proceed to Calcutta, prep. to applying for furlough to Europe.

No. 295.—With reference to G. O. No. 1,552, dated Dec. 13 last, Capt. W. H. Beynon resumed charge of the Jeypore political agency on Jan. 18.

Feb. 9.—No. 313.—Mr. G. W. Cline, extra asst. comr. in the Central Provs., has obtained one year's leave to England on m.c., from June 9 last.

No. 315.—Major R. Ranken, assist. gen. superint. of operations for the suppression of Thuggee and dacoitee at Jubbulpore, returned to his duty on 16th ult. from leave granted him in G.O. No. 236, dated Jan. 30.

Feb. 10.—No. 332.—Lieut. G. E. Fryer, asst. sec. to the Chief Comr. of British Burmah, assumed charge of his office on Jan. 21.

No. 333.—Col. G. Ramsay made over charge of the Nepal Residency to Capt. C. C. Taylor, asst. resident, on 1st inst.

No. 334.—Capt. W. Munro, supernumerary asst. comr., 8rd grade, British Burmah, and Lieut. H. A.

Gower, R.M.A., have passed the prescribed examination in the Burmese language for civil employ in British Burmah.

No. 335.—Col. R. G. Taylor, C.B., has 1 mo. leave, from Jan. 28 last, to enable him to join his appt. in the Punjab Commission.

No. 337.—Mr. R. S. H. Haldane, extra asst. comr. in Oude, has priv. leave for 3 mo., from date on which he may avail himself of it.

No. 339.—Asst. surg. W. J. Moore received charge of the office of supt. Raj Dispensaries, from Asst. surg. T. M. Lownds, on Jan. 14.

THE RATE OF EXCHANGE.

From the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India, to his Excellency the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.—No. 805, dated Dec. 24, 1864.

No. 735.—I have to acquaint you that the rate of exchange for bills to be drawn in repayment of advances to be made by the several Governments in India, for the service of the Royal Navy, and for the public service in China, in the official year 1865-66, has been fixed, with the concurrence of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, at two shillings (2s.) the rupee.

2. You will direct the same rate to be observed in 1865-66, in respect of officers' family remittances and effects.

No. 783.—Mr. W. E. Gordon received charge of the office of 1st asst. aud. gen. of India on Feb. 6.

Feb. 6.—No. 34.—Mr. C. Nuttall, offic. controller, public works accounts, Mysore, assumed charge of his duties on Jan. 23. This cancels notification No. 20 of 26th ult.

No. 35.—Lieut. W. A. J. Wallace, R.E., is apptd. to the public works dept. as an asst. engr., 2nd class, with effect from April 14, 1864, and tempy. posted to Bengal.

Feb. 8.—No. 36.—Mr. R. Watcham, having passed the prescribed exam., is app. to the dept. of public works as an accountant, 4th grade, and posted to Mysore, with effect from Nov. 15 last.

No. 37.—In notifications No. 323 of Nov. 21 last, transf. Lieut. W. P. Tomkins to British Burmah, and No. 22 of 1865, for asst. engr. 1st class, read asst. engr. 2nd class.

No. 39.—Mr. E. James is app. to the public works dept. as a prob. asst. engr., and posted to the Punjab.

No. 40.—Mr. W. R. Chill, acct. 4th grade, joined the office of public works accounts, Oude, on Jan. 12.

Feb. 10.—No. 42.—Mr. J. Adam, exec. engr., 3rd class, is transferred from the Punjab to British Burmah.

No. 43.—Mr. R. G. Elwes, asst. engr., 1st class, Punjab, passed the exam. in Hindoostanee on Jan. 8.

Feb. 4.—No. 133.—Maj. gen. Lord G. Paget, C.B., comdg. the Sirhind div., is allowed leave of absence from Feb. 19 to March 14, to Bombay, prep. to Europe.

Feb. 6.—No. 134.—The undermentioned officer is admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from date specified opposite his name, subject to confirmation of Rt. Hon. Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. G. S. Hills, of late 38th regt. N.I., qmr. 28th (Punjab) regt. N.I.; Jan. 16, 1863.

No. 135.—The services of Lieut. F. W. Major, royal art., a candidate for the staff corps, are placed at disposal of foreign dept.

TROOPS FOR ENGLAND.

No. 137.—The troops noted below, having embarked for England, are struck off the strength of the Bengal Presidency from dates of their respective embarkation:—

H.M.'s 48th foot, per *Patrician*, Dec. 29, 1864.
Head qrs. C brigade royal horse art.; A and B batteries do.; per *Shannon*, Jan. 14, 1865.

No. 138.—The undermentioned officers are permitted to proceed to Europe on leave, m.c.:—

Surg. J. Wilson, Madras medical estab., for 20 mo., under new regulations.

Major J. R. A. S. Lowe, Bengal staff corps, dep. asst. comy. gen., for 20 mo.

No. 140.—Major H. Mills, sub asst. comy. gen., has leave from Feb. 1 to date of embarkation, to Presidency, prep. to m.c. to Europe.

No. 141.—The leave of absence granted to Surg. J. W. Mountjoy, of the medical dept., in G.G.O. No. 715 of Nov. 30, 1863, and extended in G.G.O. No. 628 of 1864, is to be held to have had effect from Oct. 7, 1863, to April 7, 1864, instead of the dates previously fixed.

No. 142.—The undermen. officers are perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave on m.c.:—

Lieut. col. H. C. James, of the Bengal staff corps, private secy. to the Hon. the Lieut. gov. of Bengal, for 20 mo.

Maj. H. Mills, of the Bengal staff corps, sub asst. comy. gen., for 20 mo.

Capt. J. D. Laurie, of H.M.'s 34th foot, dist. insp. of musketry, 5th div., for 20 mo., under the new regs.

Feb. 8.—No. 144.—The undermen. officers are perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on m.c.:—

Lieut. col. R. MacLagan, of the R.E., chief engr. and secy. to the Govt. of the Punjab, dept. of public works, for 15 mo., under new regs.

Lieut. C. D. P. Nott, of the late 4th Eur. regt., for 20 mo., under new regs.

No. 146.—The services of the undermen. officers are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept.:—

Maj. (Brev. col.) R. G. Taylor, C.B., of the Bengal staff corps.

Lieut. (Brev. capt.) F. H. Hanmer, of the late 34th regt. N.I.

No. 148.—Appointments:—

Punjab Irregular Force.—Brig. gen. A. F. Wilde, C.B., comdt. corps of guides, and offic. comdt. of the Punjab irregular force, to be comdt. of the force, in succ. to Maj. gen. Sir N. B. Chamberlain, K.C.B., who has res. the appt.

Corps of Guides.—Col. S. J. Browne, C.B. and v.c., comdt. 2nd Punjab cav., and offic. comdt. corps of guides, to be comdt., v. Brig. gen. Wilde, C.B.

2nd Cav.—Capt. T. G. Kennedy, 2nd in com. corps of guides, and offic. comdt. 2nd cav., to be comdt., v. Col. Browne, C.B.

Corps of Guides.—Capt. F. H. Jenkins, 2nd in com. 1st Sikh inf., and offic. 2nd in com. corps of guides, to be 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Capt. Kennedy.

1st Sikh Inf.—Lieut. H. C. P. Rice, wing officer and offic. 2nd in com., to be 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Capt. Jenkins.

Lieut. A. G. Ross, adjt. and offic. wing officer, to be wing officer, v. Lieut. Rice.

Feb. 9.—No. 149.—The leave of absence on m.c. to Australia, granted to Capt. (brev. maj.) W. Metcalf, of the late 35th L.I., in G.G.O. No. 168 of March 1, 1864, is extended from April 10 to Dec. 31, 1865, on the same account.

No. 150.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe, on leave, on m.c.:—

Lieut. F. V. Eyre, R.A., comy. of ordnance, 3rd class, for 20 mo., under new regs.

Feb. 10.—No. 151.—Col. W. W. Turner, C.B., of H.M. 97th foot, has been apptd. to the brigade staff of the army, with the rank of brig. gen., in succ. to Maj. gen. W. O. G. Haly, C.B., whose appt. to the divisional staff was announced in G.G.O. No. 17 of 6th ult.

THE NATIVE LANGUAGES.

No. 153.—It is notified for general information that a successful examination in the first or lower standard, laid down in G.G.O. No. 734 of Sept. 9 last, will be held to be a sufficient qualification in the native languages for the appt. of aide-de-camp.

No. 154.—The undermen. officers have reported their return from England:—Maj. (Brev. Col.) R. G. Taylor, C.B., Bengal staff corps, and Asst. surg. A. R. Waghorn, med. dept.; date of arrival at Fort William, Jan. 28.

No. 155.—The undermen. officer having completed five years' service as capt. and brev. lieut. col., to be col. in the army, from date specified opposite to his name:—Maj. and Brev. Lieut. col. H. Daly, C.B., Bombay staff corps, July 20 last.

No. 156.—The Gov. gen. in Council has conferred temporarily the rank and position of a brig. gen. of the 2nd class upon Col. J. M. B. F. Tytler, C.B., Bengal staff corps, while employed with the Doar field force.

Feb. 13.—No. 1,327.—The services of Mr. J. T. Crawford, junior civil servant, are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept. for employment in Oude.

Feb. 15.—No. 1,432.—Mr. A. M. Monteath, Under Sec. to the Govt. of India in this dept., returned, on the 13th inst., from the leave granted to him on Dec. 15 last, and resumed the duties of his appt.

No. 1,433.—The following proms. are made in the revenue survey dept., Upper Provs., with effect from Jan. 1:—

Assistant Revenue Surveyor of 2nd Class to be Assistant Revenue Surveyor of 1st Class.

Mr. W. Ellison, 2nd div., Central Provs.
Sub-Asst. Revenue Surveyors of 3rd Class to be Sub-

Asst. Revenue Surveyors of 2nd Class.

Messrs. W. A. Wilson and T. W. Reilly, 3rd div. Oude; W. S. Buttress, 1st div., Oude; H. Walsh, 3rd div., Oude; W. H. Reynolda and A. J. Gibson, N.W. frontier; and E. C. Barratt, 4th div., Central Provs.

Junior Sub-Assist. Revenue Surveyors to be Sub-Assist. Revenue Surveyors of 3rd Class.

Messrs. J. E. Swynney, 1st div., Oude; H. Downman, Left Bank Indas, Scinde; E. Little, 1st div., Central Provs.; J. H. Barter, 3rd div., Central Provs.; and H. T. Hanby, 1st div., Oude.

No. 1,436.—Messrs. E. C. Mason and C. M. F. Seyers are app. junior sub-assistants in the revenue branch of the survey dept., the former from Nov. 23, and the latter from Dec. 1 last.

No. 1,449.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Messrs. F. J. G. Campbell, W. E. Kinsey, C. F. Magrath, and H. Mosley, of the Civil Service, reported qualified for the public service, to the Bengal div. of the Presy. of Fort William.

No. 1,450.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Messrs. C. M. Rivaz and J. T. Crawford, of the Civil Service, reported qualified for the public service, to the N.W. Provs., the Punjab, and Oude.

No. 1,405.—The services of Mr. C. M. Rivaz, junior civil servant, are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept. for employment in the Punjab.

No. 1,496.—Mr. C. M. Rivaz, junior civil servant, having within the prescribed interval, after arrival in India, passed examinations in two languages, has been presented with the authorised donation of Rs. 800.

No. 1,497.—Mr. F. J. G. Campbell, junior civil servant, having obtained a certificate of high proficiency in Bengali, has been presented with the authorised donation of Rs. 800.

No. 1,498.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to re-attach to the N.W.P., the Punjab, and Oude, Mr. G. B. Pasley, of the C.S., who reported his return from furl. on the 13th inst.

No. 1,500.—The services of Capt. C. MacFarlane, of the Bengal Staff Corps, are replaced at the disposal of the military dept.

No. 1,501.—Lieut. C. Case, asst. comr. of the 3rd grade in Oude, is invested with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class, as described in Section 22 of Act XXV of 1861.

No. 1,502.—Messrs. J. Connor, T. Dunne, and E. Lincoln are appointed junior sub. assts. in the revenue branch of the survey dept. from Feb. 15.

No. 1,504.—Lieut. G. H. Trevor, R.A., offic. as inspector of schools, Eastern Circle, Central Provinces, from Aug. 12, 1862, to June 20, 1864.

Notification No. 218, dated Jan. 9, is cancelled.

No. 1,506.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased, under Section 39 of Act XXII. of 1864, to extend the said Act to the cantonment of Rangoon, and to invest Capt. J. D. S. Bennet, 5th regt. Madras N.I., cantonment mag. of that station, with the powers of a judge of the Court of Small Causes, and with power to try suits under Section 6 of the above Act, up to Rs. 400, within the limits of the said cantonment.

No. 1,507.—Maj. E. M. Ryan, dep. comr. of the 3rd grade in British Burmah, to be mag. of Rangoon, v. Capt. E. B. Sladen.

No. 1,508.—The Gov. gen. in Council has been pleased to appoint Lieut. Q. S. A. Jamieson, 27th regt. Madras N.I., an offic. asst. superint. of police in British Burmah.

No. 1,509.—Lieut. G. E. Fryer, app. offic. asst. comr., 3rd class, in notification of foreign dept., No. 1,554 of Dec. 13, 1864, made over charge of the office of supt. of police, Sandoway district, to Mr. H. W. Beddy, dep. comr. of that district, on Jan. 7.

Feb. 16.—No. 1,510.—Mr. R. F. Hogg, postmaster gen. of the Punjab, has obt'd. priv. leave for 6 weeks, commencing from Jan. 18.

Feb. 17.—No. 1512.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Mr. W. H. Thompson, of the C.S., reported qualified for the public service, to the Bengal div. of the presidency of Fort William.

No. 1513.—Mr. D. Cargill, asst. dist. superint. of police, Lucknow, has obt'd. 1 mo. priv. leave from April 1 next, or from such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it.

No. 1514.—The undermen. civil asst. and sub. assts. of the Topographical Branch Survey Dept. are prom. from the dates specified opposite their respective names:—

Mr. N. A. Belletty, from civil asst. to sen. civil asst., from Jan. 1, 1865,

Mr. T. W. Bobanau, from 3rd to 2nd class sub. asst., from Nov. 1, 1864.

Mr. J. A. Craven, from 3rd to 2nd class sub. asst., from Jan. 1, 1865.

No. 1,515.—Three mo. priv. leave is granted to

Dr. W. F. Goss, civil surg. of Sumbulpore, from March 1 next, or from such date as he may avail himself of the same.

Feb. 13.—No. 72.—Lieut. F. W. Major, of the R.A., is appd. to be a prob. asst. superint. in the Mysore revenue survey.

Feb. 16.—No. 70.—Lieut. G. F. Blowers, adjt. of the Malwa Bheel corps, resumed charge of his office from Lieut S. C. Mactier, Jan. 20.

The services of Lieut. Mactier are replaced at the disposal of the military dept.

Feb. 13.—No. 355.—Mr. H. Gibson, asst. comr. in Oude, is prom. from 3rd to 2nd grade, v. Mr. T. M. Mason, whose serv. have been placed at the disposal of the Bombay Govt.

Mr. H. S. Boys, offic. asst. comr., to be asst. comr., 3rd class, v. Capt. Phaire.

No. 357.—Priv. leave for 3 mo. is granted to Capt. H. F. Bolton, asst. comr. in the Central Provinces, with effect from date on which he may avail himself of it.

No. 359.—Lieut. J. C. Berkeley, offic. 2nd asst. to Gov. gen.'s agent for Central India, conducted the duties of deputy opium agent in Malwa during absence of Major A. L. McMullin, from Sept. 6 to Oct. 31.

No. 361.—Capt. H. A. Browne, offic. dep. comr. 3rd grade, British Burmah, in charge of Myan Oung district, made over charge of the current duties of his office to Mr. C. Phillips, extra asst. comr., on Nov. 8 last, and resumed charge thereof on 28th idem.

Mr. E. O'Riley, dep. comr. 2nd grade, in charge of Martaban district, made over charge of current duties of his office to Mr. W. DeC. Ireland, asst. comr., on Dec. 12 last.

Capt. W. P. Harrison, offic. dep. comr. 3rd grade, made over charge of the treasury and district of Tavoy to Lieut. C. W. Street, offic. dep. comr. 4th grade, on Dec. 23.

Mr. W. H. Beddy, offic. dep. comr. 3rd grade at Sandoway, returned from the district and resumed charge of the treasury and current duties of his office on Dec. 19.

No. 362.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to permit Asst. surg. G. N. Cheke, in medical charge of Nipal Residency, to resign his appointment from 1st prox., and to replace that officer's services at the disposal of the military dept. G.O. No. 189, dated 25th ult., is accordingly cancelled.

Feb. 16.—No. 383.—Mr. W. H. Beddy, dep. comr. of Sandoway, 4th grade, made over charge of the treasury on the afternoon of Jan. 7, to Moung Htoon, acting extra asst. comr., 2nd grade.

Mr. G. E. Barr, offic. asst. comr., 3rd grade, made over charge of the office and treasury of the Amherst dist. to Lieut. col. D. Brown, dep. comr., 2nd grade, on the forenoon of Dec. 24.

No. 384.—The serv. of Col. R. G. Taylor, c.b., of the Bengal staff corps, are placed at the disposal of the Punjab Govt.

No. 386.—Capt. F. H. Hammer, of the 34th regt. N.I., is app. to be an asst. comr. in the Central Provs. from the date of Capt. T. Wakefield's departure on m.c.

No. 392.—Mr. H. G. Ross, asst. comr. in Oude, reported his return to India on the 13th inst., from the sick leave granted him in G.O., No. 592, dated April 7, 1863.

Feb. 17.—No. 397.—Capt. A. R. McMahon, offic. dep. comr., 4th class, British Burmah, and mag. of Akyab, has obtained priv. leave of absence for 5 weeks, from the afternoon of Dec. 16.

Capt. McMahon made over charge of his office to Capt. Spilsbury, dep. comr. of Akyab, on the above date.

Feb. 16.—No. 884.—Mr. E. F. Harrison, offic. dep. auditor and acct. gen. and civil paymr., British Burmah, made over charge of his office to the chief asst., Mr. C. R. Kiernander, on Feb. 8.

No. 896.—Mr. W. E. Gordon, offic. 1st asst. auditor gen. of India, to be an auditor of the accounts of the administrator gen. in Bengal.

No. 918.—Mr. H. Ronaldson received charge of the office of chief asst. in the estab. of the auditor gen. of India on the forenoon of Feb. 11.

Feb. 17.—No. 948.—Asst. surg. H. E. Busted, civil surg. of Cuddalore, to be asst. assay master of the Madras Mint.

Revenue—Forests.

Feb. 14.—No. 4.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to appoint Mr. C. A. Dobbs to be an asst. conservator of forests on probation, in Coorg, with effect from the date of joining.

No. 41.—Mr. J. W. Robertson, C.E., is appd. to the dept. of public works in the grade of an exec. engr., 4th class, and posted to the Central Provs.

Feb. 16.—No. 46.—Mr. C. Collins is appd. temp.

an overseer of the 3rd grade from Jan. 16, v. Sergt. Ross, and posted to the Straits Settlements.

No. 47.—Mr. J. Frankford, temp. overseer, 3rd grade, Straits Settlements, is perm. to resign his appt. in the public works dept., with effect from Jan. 21.

No. 48.—Mr. J. D'Souza is app. temp. overseer 3rd grade, and posted to Straits Settlements, v. Mr. J. Frankford, with effect from Jan. 21.

No. 50.—Major A. Stevens, superint., transport and supply dept., Upper Godavery circle, had leave granted for 12 mo., m.c., to Neilgherry Hills, with effect from Aug. 16 last, on which date he made over charge of his duties to Mr. E. D. Gronsiliers, asst. engr.

Feb. 17.—No. 52.—The following promotions are made in the public works dept., under the local administrations, with effect from Nov. 1 last:—
Engineer Establishment.

Exec. engr. 2nd class to be exec. engr. 1st class:—

Capt. A. G. Priestley, s.c., Central Provinces.

Capt. W. R. Johnson, m.s.c., Mysore.

Exec. engr. 3rd class to be exec. engr. 2nd class:—

Capt. E. J. L. Twynan, s.c., British Burmah.

Lieut. W. H. Campbell, m.s.c., Mysore.

Mr. J. S. Heyman, Central Provinces, with effect from May 1 last.

Exec. engr. 4th class to be exec. engr. 3rd class:—

Maj. G. R. Phillips, m.s.c., Hyderabad.

Mr. J. Fennessy (temp. exec. engr., 3rd class), British Burmah, perm. prom.

Special asst. engr., to be exec. engr., 4th class:—

Capt. A. Francis, m.c.s., Rajpootana.

Asst. engr., 1st class, to be exec. engr. 4th class:—

Lieut. P. Montgomerie, R.E., Upper Godavery Works.

Mr. E. Hyde, British Burmah.

Mr. W. D. Bruce, Oude.

Asst. engr., 1st class, to be special asst. engr.:—

Mr. R. Tyndall, Central Provs.

Asst. engr., 2nd class, to be asst. engr., 1st class:—

Mr. E. V. Vernon, British Burmah.

Mr. E. B. Medley, Rajpootana circle.

Lieut. H. Y. Murray, gen. list, cav., Oude.

Under Subordinate Establishments.

Sub engr., 3rd grade, to be sub engr., 2nd grade:—

Asst. comy. W. Smallman, Central Provs.

No. 53.—Mr. J. H. Wilson, asst. engr., 1st circle, attached to the Central Provinces, to be special asst. engr., with effect from Dec. 5, v. Mr. W. Lloyd, res.

No. 168.—The underment. officers of royal engr., having been placed at the disposal of the mil. dep. for service with the Doar field force, are directed to report themselves to the Adjt. gen. for the orders of H.E. the C. in C.:—

Cpts. F. S. Stanton, R. de Bourbel, and W. S. Trevor.

Lieuts. C. N. Judge, W. J. Heavyside, and J. Dundas.

Feb. 15.—No. 169.—The services of Asst. surg. L. F. Dickson, m.d., are placed at disposal of the home dept., with effect from the 26th ult.

No. 170.—The services of Asst. surg. J. Pichall are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

No. 171.—In accordance with the 10th para. of G.G.O. No. 370, dated June 1, 1863, the following proms. are made from the dates specified:—

Ordnance Commissariat Department.

To be Sub Conductors.—Offic. sub conductor F. Fraser, June 24, 1864, and T. Lally, June 25, 1864.

No. 172.—The following orders issued by the resident at Hyderabad are confirmed:—

No. 161.—The G.G.O., No. 98, of Jan. 25, permitting Capt. A. H. Prinsep, late 4th Eur. L.C., to resign his appointment in the Punjab irregular force, is cane.

No. 163.—The undermentioned officers having completed 20 years' service, 6 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be majors, from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. W. Paske, P. Maxwell, J. Leven, and W. Revely, Feb. 11.

No. 164.—The transfer of Lieut. H. J. Lawrence from the 1st Punjab inf. to the 5th Goorkha regt., as doing duty officer, announced in the order issued by the Govt. of the Punjab, No. 29, dated 3rd inst., is confirmed.

No. 165.—The undermentioned officers are permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence, on m.c.:—

Surg. maj. T. C. Hutchinson, of the med. dept., and Maj. H. Lane, of the late 5th Eur. L.C., brig. maj., Rawul Pindee, for 20 mo., under the new rega.

Dated Jan. 31.—No. 21.—Confirming the regl. order issued by the officer com. the 3rd inf. Hyderabad contingent, dated Jan. 16, directing Lieut. and paid doing duty officer A. F. Dobbs, 3rd inf., Hyderabad contingent, to offic. as adjt. to the corps, in addition to his other duties from the above date, in the room of Lieut. D. W. Laughton, whose services have been placed at the disp. of the foreign dept.

No. 22.—Confirming the regl. order issued by the officer com. the 2nd cav. Hyderabad contingent, dated Jan. 13, app. Lieut. G. B. Farrington, to be paid doing-duty officer, temp., of the corps from the above date, in room of Lieut. Hemans, whose servs. have been placed at disp. of the foreign dept.

No. 173.—The undermen. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on furlough:—

Asst. surg. F. H. O'Donnell, m.d., of the medical dept., in medical charge of the Meywar Bheel Corps, for 2 years, under new rega., embarking at Bombay.

PROMOTIONS AND ALTERATIONS OF RANK.

Feb. 16.—No. 174.—The following promotions and alterations of rank are made, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Promotions.

Cadre of the late 2nd E.L. Cavalry.—Lieut. T. W. Hogg (20th hussars), to be capt. from July 16, 1864, v. Capt. O. Hamilton, staff corps, prom. in cadre of 2nd European L.C.

Cadre of the late 9th N.I.—Lieut. H. T. Oldfield (capt. in the staff corps), to be capt., from Jan. 19, v. Capt. (brevet major) A. Crawford, ret.

Cadre of the late 12th N.I.—Capt. P. G. Scot, to be major, and Lieut. R. R. Mackenzie, to be capt., from Jan. 23, v. Major R. R. Adams, staff corps, dec.

Cadre of the late 31st N.I.—Capt. (brevet major) H. Finch, to be major, and Lieut. T. N. Baker, to be capt., from Jan. 15, v. Lieut. col. S. R. Tickell, staff corps, ret.

Cadre of the late 45th N.I.—Lieut. W. C. B. Ryan (capt. in the staff corps), to be capt., from July 16, 1864, v. Capt. (brevet major) A. S. O. Donaldson, prom.

Cadre of the late 46th N.I.—Lieut. B. N. Smith (capt. in the staff corps), to be capt. from Dec. 24 last, v. Capt. W. P. Conolly, staff corps, dec.

Cadre of the late 48th N.I.—Capt. P. R. Hockin (major in the staff corps), to be major; and Lieut. R. Onseley (captain in the staff corps), to be capt., from Oct. 10 last, v. Maj. T. Green, ret.

Alterations of Rank.

Cadre of the late 2nd Eur. L.C.—Captains A. D. Jennings, from Oct. 12, 1863, v. Capt. R. W. Clifford, 20th hussars (cadre of late 2nd L.C.), ret.; and F. Trench (lieut. in 20th hussars), from April 19 last, v. Capt. J. Cockerell, struck off, having exchanged from 20th hussars to 8th foot.

Cadre of the late 45th N.I.—Cpts. (brev. maj.) R. Chalmers (staff corps), from Dec. 24, 1863, v. Capt. (brev. maj.) G. C. Blomfield, ret.; and W. Winson, staff corps, from Jan. 14 last, v. Capt. W. F. Stewart, staff corps, dec.

No. 175.—Asst. surg. W. F. Clark, of the med. dept., civil asst. surg. of Tirhoot, was perm. to proceed to Eur. on urgent private affairs for 6 mo., without pay, with effect from May 24, the date of his departure by the steam ship *Rungoon*.

No. 176.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on furl. :—Surg. J. Squire, of the med. dept., for 3 yrs., under old rega.

This cancels G.G.O. No. 114 of Jan. 27, granting this officer leave on m.c. to sea, &c., for 3 mo.

No. 177.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave on m.c.:—Lieut. col. C. P. Trower, of the Bengal staff corps, dep. judge adv. gen., presidency div., for 20 mo.

No. 178.—The undermen. officer having completed 26 yrs. service, 8 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be lieut. col. from the date specified opposite to his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Maj. E. A. Rowlett, Feb. 14.

No. 179.—The underment. officer having completed 12 years' service, 4 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt. from the date specified opposite to his name, under the royal warrant of Jan. 16, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Lieut. C. W. Hawes, Feb. 13.

No. 181.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appt.:—

Ordnance Dept.—Lieut. C. Cowie, of the royal art., to offic. as 3rd class comy. of ordnance, during the abs., on sick leave to Europe, of Lieut. F. V. Eyre.

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Bombay Castle, Feb. 10.—No. 82.—Lieut. C. A. Cunningham, H.M.'s 28th regt. N.I., is admitted to the staff corps, from Nov. 19, 1862, instead of Jan. 1, 1864, as notified in G.O. No. 587, dated Nov. 29, 1864.

Feb. 11.—No. 83.—Officers officiating in any staff appt. on active field service are entitled to the full staff salaries of their appts.

No. 84.—Maj. E. Grant is confirmed as military paymaster at the Presidency, v. Maj. Coley, ret.

No. 85.—The following officers are allowed furl. to Europe, on m.c.:—

Brig. gen. J. C. Heath, for 6 mo.

Lieut. S. DeB. Edwardes, staff corps, adjt. H.M.'s 2nd regt. N.I. (grenadiers), for 20 mo.

Feb. 13.—No. 86.—Lieut. C. W. Yonge, 16th regt. N.I., has furl. to Europe, for 2 years, under new furl. regs.

ALLOWANCES.

Feb. 14.—No. 87.—The following rule in force in the Bengal Presidency is adopted in this Presidency, and is made applicable to the offices of the head quarter staff when absent from head quarters:—

All members, European and native of the establishments of any military office who may be detached on duty from the Presidencies, will be provided with camp equipage and carriage for the same, free of cost, and will be granted travelling allowance in aid of the expense of marching and transport of baggage in the following proportions of pay drawn at the Presidencies, including military pay, but not personal allowance:—

To individuals in receipt of more than Rs. 200 per mensem, one-third.

To all whose receipts do not exceed Rs. 200 per mensem, one-half.

The indulgence extends to all classes of servants in receipt of Government pay, and the allowance will be continued during the period of absence from the Presidencies.

N. W. Oliver, Esq., senior mag. of police, and Capt. W. C. Barker, master attendant and conservator of the port, are app. to conduct an investigation into the circumstances connected with the wreck of the ship *Rory O'Moore* off Jubbulee, one of the Kooria Moorla Islands, on or about Dec. 17, 1864.

Feb. 15.—No. 90.—The serv. of Lieut. G. L. Warden, H.M.'s 17th regt. N.I., are placed temp. at the disp. of the Gov. gen.'s agent, Rajpootana, for employment as 1st asst. comsur. at Ajmere.

TESTS.

No. 91.—The following statement has been received from the Govt. of India, showing the tests prescribed for examinations for certificates of high proficiency in Arabic, Persian, and Sanscrit:—

Arabic.—1. Ikhwan-us-Safa. 2. Nufhat-ul-Yaman.

Persian.—1. Gulistan. 2. Bostan. 3. Anwari Soheilee.

Sanscrit.—1. Hitopodesha. 2. Raghwanasa. Translating into English with accuracy a passage from some tolerably difficult work, not being a test book.

Translating with accuracy of grammar and idiom, into the language in which the examination is held, an English paper of somewhat difficulty style.

Translating in like manner a paper of English sentences.

No. 92.—Col. G. Malcolm, c.n., staff corps, is appd. to act on the brigade staff with the temp. rank of brig. gen. during the absence of Brig. gen. Heath on m.c. to Eur.

Feb. 13.—Lieut. F. H. Segrave, asst. superint. of police at Ahmedabad, has passed an examination in the Guzerathi language, according to the rules of Aug. 12, 1863, for the examination of police officers.

Feb. 15.—Mr. T. M. Mason, act. 2nd asst. coll. and mag. of Ahmedabad, is invested with the powers of a mag. in the Ahmedabad district.

H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to confirm the appointment by the Hon. the Chief Justice of the High Court of Mr. J. J. Cumlin to act as sealer and comnr. for taking affidavits, &c., in the High Court during the absence of Mr. J. W. Orr.

Feb. 13.—The services of Lieut. G. C. Sartorius, supernu. asst., revenue survey, Hyderabad assigned districts, are placed at disposal of Govt. of India.

Feb. 15.—Mr. W. Walton to be asst. to Dr. Forbes, and to be in charge of the cotton gin factory at Dharwar.

Mr. T. M. Mason to act as 2nd asst. coll. and mag. of Ahmedabad.

Mr. J. C. Baillie to act as asst. comnr. of customs, salt, and opium 4th class.

Mr. A. Bulkley, asst. superint., revenue survey and assessment, Guzerat, has been app. an asst. coll. in Guzerat from Nov. 1 last.

Mr. T. Bosanquet, 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Rutnagherry, has furlough to Europe for 3 years from May next.

Mr. J. MacFarlan, act. 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Kulladghee, has furlough to Europe for 1 year from March 14 next; also 20 days' prep. leave.

Mr. F. F. Arbuthnot, dep. comnr. of customs, salt, and opium, P.D., has furlough to Europe for 3 years from March 14.

Mr. C. B. Pritchard, 2nd asst. coll. and mag. of Belgaum, has leave to England for 15 mo., m.c.

Major C. Anderson to be survey and settlement comnr. for the districts of Dharwar, Belgaum, Satara, and Canara.

Major J. T. Francis to be survey and settlement comnr. for the districts of Poona, Ahmednuggur, Sholapoor, Southern and Northern Concan.

The control of the revenue survey and settlement of Guzerat and Khandeish to rest in and be exercised as hitherto by the Hon. B. H. Ellis, revenue comnr., N.D.

Asst. surg. A. N. Hojel, professor of anatomy and physiology, and curator of the museum, Grant Medical College, is also appointed asst. surg. to the Jamsheetjee Jejeebhoy Hospital.

Mr. E. W. Ravenscroft, offic. chief secretary to Government, revenue, financial, and general departments, has furlough to Europe for 3 years from 1st prox.

ISSUE OF CLUBS.

Feb. 17.—No. 94.—The issue of clubs for the exercise of British troops is sanctioned as follows:—For a company of inf. or troop of cav. ... One set. For a baty. of art. ... Two sets.

Each set comprises six pairs, as follows:—

One pair of 4 lbs. weight each.

Two " 6 " " "

One " 8 " " "

One " 10 " " "

One " 12 " " "

The clubs will be supplied by the barrack dept., and will be kept in the barrack rooms, so as to be available to the soldier in his leisure hours as well as for drill.

Feb. 21.—No. 98.—Lieut. C. F. James, 20th regt. N.I., performed the duties of cantonment mag., Ahmedabad, from Jan. 28 to Feb. 5, in addition to his own duties, during the absence of Maj. Williams on court martial duty.

No. 99.—The underment. officer, having completed 26 years' service, to be lieut. col. by brevet, from the date specified under para. 69 of the despatch from the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India, No. 194, dated June 17, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Maj. R. B. Moore, 3rd L.C., Feb. 10.

No. 100.—The underment. officers, having completed 12 years' service, 4 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt. from the date specified under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Lieut. (Brev. Capt.) J. Fairbrother, Feb. 18, 1861.

Lieut. G. W. Hanson, Feb. 18, 1861.

Feb. 22.—No. 103.—The following officer having applied for admission to the staff corps under the provisions of par. 11 of G.O.G.I. No. 531, dated June 27 last, is appd. to Bombay staff corps from date specified opposite his name, subject to the approval of H.M. Sec. of State for India:—Lieut. C. E. Fisher, 95th foot, to be asst. supt. of bazaars, Poona, from Jan. 27, 1864.

No. 104.—The following officer of the royal engrs. is raised to increased pay:—Lieut. col. J. T. Walker, v. Rivers, prom., dated Oct. 24 last.

No. 105.—The underment. officer having completed 20 years' service, six of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from the date specified under the royal warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M. approval:—Capt. (Brev. major) J. A. Wood, V.C., Feb. 12, 1855.

No. 109.—The following G.O. by the gov. of India, dated Jan. 26 last, No. 106, is republished:—

No. 106.—The underment. officer having completed five years' service as maj. and brev. lieut. col., and as regimental lieut. col., to be col. in the army from the date specified opposite to his name, under the operation of clauses 8 and 9 of the royal warrant dated Jan. 31, 1859, published in G.G.O. No. 740, dated May 20, 1859, subject to H.M. approval:—

Lieut. col. G. S. Montgomery, Bombay inf., from Dec. 20 last."

The Hon. the Gov. in Council has been pleased to appt. Capt. P. P. Fenwick, of H.M.'s staff corps, to be asst. resident at Baroda.

Feb. 20.—Mr. J. Gibbs to act as special income-tax comnr., and comnr. of income-tax for the town and island of Bombay, and president of the income-tax commission and coll. of Bombay, v. Mr. Showell.

Mr. J. R. Arthur to act as coll. and mag. of Sattara.

Mr. F. Gibbons, dep. coll. of Hyderabad, Scinde, is allowed an ext. of leave for 1 mo., on m.c., under sect. 11 of the new uncovenanted service absentee rules.

Lieut. C. C. Pemberton, asst. supnt., revenue survey, Khandeish, is transf. to the Berar survey.

Lieut. C. W. Godfrey, of the revenue survey, passed an exam. in Marathi on Feb. 15.

Feb. 22.—Mr. E. H. Little to be supernu. 3rd asst. to the coll. and mag. of Belgaum, with effect from Dec. 1, 1864. Mr. Little is to continue to act in his present grade.

Capt. A. T. Moore, v.c., to be insp. for Ahmedabad and Kaira under the Cotton Frauds Act No. 9, of 1863.

Mr. J. Bulkley, sub insp. of cotton for Bombay, is allowed leave of absence to England for 6 mo. on urgent private affairs.

Mr. C. McLeod Paradise is confirmed in the appt. of asst. conservator of forests in Khandeish.

Mr. R. H. Showell, offic. coll. of Bombay, superint. of stationery, superint. of stamps, special comr. of income tax, income tax comr. and coll. of income tax, is allowed 15 mo. leave of absence to Eur. on m.c.

Feb. 20.—Mr. F. S. Chapman to act as sec. to Govt. in the revenue, financial, and gen. depts., v. Mr. Ravenscroft, proceeding on furl. to Eur.

Feb. 22.—Surg. J. G. Nicholson, m.d., performed the duties of surg. to the jail and house of correction from Dec. 13, 1864, to Jan. 24, 1865, on which latter date Asst. surg. Joynt, m.d., assumed charge.

Feb. 21.—Rev. M. M. Ross to be sen. chaplain, and the Rev. D. Macpherson to be chaplain of the Church of Scotland, v. Rev. R. F. Colvin, ret.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

No. 121.—Leave of absence:—

Lieut. col. W. S. Furneaux, 103rd foot, from Nov. 28, 1864, to Dec. 21, 1865, m.c.

Lieut. col. J. J. Bull, 56th foot, to England, by the overland route, m.c.

This officer is not available for duty with troops, and will, on arrival, report himself to the adjt. gen., Horse Guards.

Leave of absence:—

Capt. T. M. Harris, E. brigade R.H.A., from Feb. 15 to March 14, to Bombay, prep. to obtaining leave to England.

Lieut. E. Chapple, 95th foot, from Jan. 31 to March 31, to study the native language.

Ens. A. H. S. Neill, 103rd foot, from Jan. 28 to Jan. 31, to proceed to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final certificate to Europe.

Ens. F. M. Hunter, 106th foot, from Jan. 21 to Jan. 31, to remain at Bombay, on m.c.

Feb. 3.—The following temporary arrangement is confirmed:—

Lieut. Yonge, 16th regt. N.I., to act as staff officer and superint. of bazaars at Rajcote, from Jan. 23, 1865, v. Miles.

The underment. officer has passed the required examination in Hindoostanee (staff test):—

Capt. A. T. Moore, v.c., 3rd regt. L.C.

No. 134.—H.E. the C. in C. in India has been pleased to grant leave of absence as follows:—

Col. W. Wilby, 4th foot, for 6 mos. from date of departure, to England.

The underment. officer has leave of absence:—

Lieut. R. P. Mainwaring, 20th regt. N.I., from Jan. 26, 1865, to Feb. 28, 1865, in ext., on m.c.

Feb. 6.—No. 138.—The following medical arrangements are ordered:—

Asst. surg. Footner, 72nd foot, at present in Kirkee, to do duty with the head quarters royal art. at that station till the arrival of the regt. from Mhow.

Asst. surg. Royle, R.A., to join the G battery 18th brigade R.A., now en route from Baroda to Sholapoor.

Feb. 8.—No. 143.—Lieut. G. Bannister, cadre 16th regt. N.I., is attached to 7th regt. N.I.

No. 145.—Leave of absence:—

1st Battalion 4th Foot.—Brev. col. W. Wilby, from Feb. 7 to Feb. 14, to Bombay, prep. to proc. to England, on private affairs.

95th Foot.—Brev. maj. H. Foster, from Feb. 1 to Feb. 28, to proceed to Ghizree, on m.c.

17th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. S. A. Smith, from Feb. 1 to Feb. 28, in ext.

103rd Foot.—Lieut. W. S. Nugent, from Feb. 1 to Feb. 28, in ext.

Staff Corps, Doing Duty Officer 6th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. F. W. Bean, from Feb. 1 to Feb. 28, in ext.

Feb. 9.—No. 146.—Major J. P. Sandwith, staff corps, is placed on general duty, Poona.

No. 151.—Leave of absence:—

Capt. R. C. Battiscombe, 21st brig. R.A., from date of departure to March 14, to Bombay, preparatory to obtaining leave to England.

Lieut. H. C. Morse, 9th regt. N.I., from Feb. 5 to March 6, in ext. of div. leave.

Lieut. C. W. Yonge, 16th regt. N.I., from Feb. 20 to Mar. 31, preparatory to obtaining a furl. to Eur.

Feb. 14.—No. 152.—Returned to duty, Jan. 29: Lieut. col. J. Forbes, c.b., 3rd regt. light cav.

No. 153.—The undermen. commissioned and warrant officers are reported to have passed the required examination in native language as follows, on the dates specified:—

Hindoostance.—Staff Test.

Brevet capt. J. P. M. Newton, 11th regt. N.I.; Lieut. A. J. Vibart, 14th regt. N.I.; Lieut. E. A. Douglas, gen. list, attached to 13th regt. N.I.; Lieut. A. R. Heyland, 56th foot; Asst. surg. R. C. Thorp, 20th regt. N.I.; Barrack master O'Byrne—on Jan. 31.

Feb. 14.—No. 156.—The following app. is made: Maj. J. D. Williams is confirmed in the app. of dep. judge advocate gen., N.D.A., from Dec. 20, 1864, v. Alban, dec.

Feb. 15.—No. 159.—The following appts. are made:—

2nd Grenadier Regiment N.I.

Capt. E. N. Marsh, staff corps, to offic. as wing officer, during the abs. of Capt. Theytts, on m.c. to Europe.

Lieut. G. Pannister, cadre 16th regt. N.I., to offic. as adjt., v. Edwards, proceeding on m.c. to Europe. 19th Regt. N.I.

Lieut. W. H. Pye, cadre 31st regt. N.I., to be adjt., v. Scott, apptd. to the civil dept. Lieut. Pye will continue to offic. as qmr. 21st regt. N.I. until relieved.

28th Regt. N.I.

Cpts. Robertson and Nimmo are confirmed in their respective appts. of 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Williams, apptd. dep. judge adv. gen.

No. 160.—Major W. L. Cahusac, cadre 11th regt. N.I., is placed on gen. duty, Bombay.

No. 161.—Lieut. H. C. Macdiarmid, royal engrs., having arrived from England on Feb. 12, is att. to the sappers and miners, and directed to join.

No. 165.—H.R.H. the Field Marshal C. in C. has been pleased to grant leave of abs. as follows:—

Capt. and adjt. H. Le G. Geary, 14th brig. R.A., from Jan. 4 to July 4, on m.c.

Asst. surg. H. W. Devlin, 18th brig. R.A., from Dec. 29, 1864, to March 29, 1865, on m.c.

Leave of absence:—

Ens. R. R. O'Grady, 44th foot, for 15 mo., from date of embarkation, to proc. to England on private affairs.

Leave of absence:—

Lieut. C. Heathcote, 106th foot, to England, via the Cape of Good Hope, m.c.

Lieut. F. M. Hunter, 106th foot, to England by the overland route, m.c.

Ens. A. H. S. Neill, 103rd foot, to England by the overland route, m.c.

Lieut. C. Heathcote is, the remaining officers are not, available for duty with troops, and they all will, on arrival, report themselves to the adjt. gen., Horse Guards.

Leave of Absence:—

Brig. gen. J. C. Heath, brig. staff, from Feb. 10 to Feb. 28, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final certificate to Eur.

Capt. J. A. R. Mead, 24th brig. R.A., from Feb. 9 to Feb. 28, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final certificate to Eur.

Jan. 19.—No. 167.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 92, dated 15th inst., Brig. gen. Malcolm, c.b., is posted to the Poona brig., during the absence of Brig. gen. Heath, or until further orders.

ABOLITION OF THE RIDING ESTABLISHMENT AT KIRKEE.

No. 168.—Under instructions from Govt., the riding estab. att. to the head qrs. E brig. R.H.A. at Kirkee will be abolished from March 1 next.

The rough rider sergt., rough riders, and shoeing

smith, will be borne as supernumeraries on the strength of their respective brigs., until absorbed.

Such of the horses as are reported suited for baty. purposes will be distributed to batteries, under instructions from the asst. adjt. gen. R.A., and the remainder made over to the commissariat dept., for disposal on account of Govt.

BIRTHS.

AINSLIE.—At Patna, Feb. 12, the wife of W. Ainslie, Esq., of a son.

BALDWIN.—At Montearree Champaran, Feb. 4, the wife of C. B. Baldwin, Esq., of a daughter.

BAKER.—At Sholapoor, the wife of E. Baker, Esq., Superintendent G.I.P. Railway, Sholapoor, of a daughter, stillborn.

BAYLEY.—At Calcutta, Feb. 17, the wife of Stuart C. Bayley, of a daughter.

BOGLE.—At Umballa, Feb. 15, the wife of Major A. Bogle, Royal Horse Artillery, of a daughter.

BELL.—At Ellichpore, Feb. 10, the wife of William Bell, Esq., Officiating 2nd in Command, 1st Capt. Hyderabad Contingent, of a daughter.

BEYTS.—At Middle Colaba, Feb. 24, the wife of Mr. Charles Anthony Beyts, of a son.

CANTEN.—At Poona, Feb. 16, the wife of Mr. A. M. Canten, Moonsiff, of Chickoree, in the Dharwar District, of a son.

CHERRY.—At Saugor, Jan. 26, the wife of Captain F. C. Cherry, Madras Light Cavalry, of a daughter.

COLLINS.—At Small Colaba, on the 12th Feb., the wife of Mr. William Collins, Clerk, Elphinstone Land and Press Company, of a son.

CHARRIER.—At Dinapore, on the 10th Feb., the wife of Paul Charrier, Esq., of a son.

CHALMERS.—At Benares, on the 16th Feb., the wife of Major Robert Chalmers, 14th Bengal Lancers, of a son.

COUCH.—At Meerut, on the 16th Feb., the wife of George Couch, Esq., 19th Hussars, of a son.

ELLIOT.—At Goruckpore, Feb. 15, the wife of F. E. Elliot, Esq., C.S., of a son.

FORTEATH.—At Surat, on the 23rd Feb., the wife of Captain F. P. Forteath, of a daughter.

GLOVER.—At Roorkee, Feb. 20, the wife of Capt. Glover, R.E., of a son.

GARDEN.—At Umritsur, on the 12th Feb., the wife of A. M. Garden, Esq., Superintendent General of Vaccination, Punjab, of a daughter.

IRVINE.—At No. 5, Grant-buildings, on the 20th Feb., the wife of Mr. J. H. Irvine, of a son.

JORDAN.—At Ahmedabad, on the 19th Jan., the wife of Mr. A. H. Jordan, Sub-Assistant Superintendent, Guzerat Revenue Survey, of a son.

MACANDREW.—At Roy Bareilly, Feb. 18, the wife of Capt. J. F. MacAndrew, Deputy Commissioner, of a son, who survived his birth only a few hours.

MUMFORD.—At Lucknow, Feb. 10, the wife of Mr. E. A. Mumford, Inspector, Oude Police, of a daughter.

MCGRATH.—At Bombay, Feb. 16, the wife of H. F. McGrath, Esq., Assistant Surgeon, Bombay Medical Service, of a daughter (premature) which survived its birth only five hours.

MENESSE.—At Bandora-hill, Bombay, Feb. 21, Mrs. C. Menesse, of a son.

MAYNE.—At Calcutta, Jan. 26, the wife of Mr. A. V. Mayne, Ticket Collector, E.I. Railway, of a daughter.

MAYNE.—At Singapore, Feb. 2, the wife of Capt. J. O. Mayne, R.E., of a daughter.

MITCHELL.—At Lower Circular Road, Calcutta, Feb. 12, the wife of Capt. J. M. Mitchell, of a son.

NEWTON.—At Howrah, Feb. 10, the wife of Mr. J. Newton, of a daughter.

PARSONS.—At Kurnal, on Feb. 15, the wife of Capt. J. E. B. Parsons, of a son.

PENNYCUICK.—At Seetapore, on Feb. 16, the wife of Lieut.-col. PennyCUICK, Royal Artillery, of a daughter.

RYVES.—At Allahabad, on Feb. 14, the wife of Lieut. T. J. Ryves, District Superintendent of Police, Futtehpore, of a son.

SKINNER.—At Chupra, Sarun, on Feb. 13, the wife of Lieut. R. M. Skinner, Bengal Staff Corps, of a daughter.

SLADEN.—At No. 4, Elysium-row, Calcutta, on Jan. 28, the wife of Capt. E. B. Sladen, Madras Staff Corps, of a son, still-born.

SIMPSON.—Feb. 26, at 82, Upper Colaba, the wife of Mr. J. R. Simpson, of the Oriental Bank Corporation, of a son.

SOUTER.—Feb. 23, at Mazagon, the wife of Frank H. Souter, Esq., Commissioner of Police, of a son.

TAYLOR.—Feb. 16, at Odeypoor, the wife of Capt. F. C. Taylor, Madras Staff Corps, of a son.

VAN HEYTHINGSEN.—Feb. 14, at Asseerghur, the wife of Capt. Van Heythingsen, of a daughter.

WILLIAMS.—Feb. 13, at Ahmedabad, the wife of Major J. D. Williams, Deputy Judge Advocate General, N.D., of a son.

YOUNG.—Feb. 9, at Goruckpore, the wife of R. J. Young, Esq., Assistant Superintendent of Police, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

BOCARRO—DE CRUZ.—At the Church of N. S. de Saude, Feb. 13, Michael Bocarro, assistant book-keeper, Messrs. Remington and Co., to Miss Anna Joaquina, daughter of Mr. Joaquim de Cruz, assistant Revenue Department, Secretariate.

DE MONTE—DE CRUZ.—At Bombay, Feb. 13, Mr. F. S. de Monte, partner in the firm of Messrs. John Barretto and Co., merchants, to Miss Roza H., daughter of Mr. J. de Cruz, assistant Revenue Department, Secretariate.

FIDO—SEXTON.—Feb. 25, at Bombay, Mr. J. F. Fido, artificer H.M.'s Mint, to Miss Mary Sexton.

MANUK—GREGORY.—At the Armenian Church, Calcutta, Jan. 31, M. J. Manuk, Esq., eldest son of the late J. M. Manuk, Esq., to Anne, youngest daughter of A. C. Gregory, Esq.

MELL—DE DOMBAL.—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, Feb. 14, Alfred Newton Mell, Esq., indigo planter, to Rose Marie Laura, youngest daughter of Monsieur Michel Durup de Dombal.

PARK—HUTTMANN.—At St. John's Church, Calcutta, Feb. 8, Robert Park, Esq., of Blaughpore, to Frances, youngest daughter of the late G. H. Huttman, Esq., of Calcutta.

PEARSON—THOMAS.—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, Feb. 7, Captain Hugh Pearce Pearson, H.M.'s 12th Foot, to Ellen Fanny, third daughter of R. Mosely Thomas, Esq., of Calcutta.

PRYER—BACON.—At Bombay, on the 16th Feb., Charles, son of William Pryer, Esq., of the city of Ely, Cambridgeshire, to Alice Fanny, daughter of Frederick Bacon, Esq., of Duke-street, Grosvenor-square, London.

ROSS—HEXDELLSON.—At St. Paul's, Calcutta, on the 3rd Jan., Hercules Grey Ross, Esq., of the Bengal Civil Service, second son of Captain Horatio Ross, Esq., to Mary, 3rd daughter of Charles Paton Henderson, Esq., of Wittington Hall, Lancashire.

RUTHERFORD—DARLEY.—At Kitterman Church, Calcutta, on the 4th Jan., John F. Rutherford, Esq., to Anne L., youngest daughter of Wm. F. Darley, Esq., Q.C., of Fern Hill Co., Dublin.

TAYLOR—LISSANT.—At St. John's Church, Calcutta, on the 4th Feb., John Taylor to Lucy Lissant, daughter of J. H. Lissant, Esq.—No cards.

DEATHS.

ANDERSON.—At the Botanical Gardens, Calcutta, on Feb. 11, the infant son of Dr. Thomas Anderson, Superintendent of the Botanical Gardens.

BRISTOW.—At the Brae, Chinchpogly-hill, Emily, the beloved wife of Charles Bristow, Esq.

CAMPBELL.—At Bombay, Jessie, the beloved wife of Mr. Daniel Campbell, engineer, aged 36 years.

COOPER.—At Subathoo, on Feb. 17, Jane E. C., daughter of Conductor and Mrs. Cooper, Commissariat Department.

CUMMING.—At Darjeeling, Feb. 4, Alexander John William Cumming, Lt., B.E., aged 26 years.

DELAUNEY.—At Comillah, on Jan. 31, P. Delauney, Esq., zemindar, aged 68 years.

D'ESPERANCE.—At Bombay, on Feb. 11, John Joseph, the son of Mr. S. D'Esperance, aged 16 years.

FERRIER.—At Jhanse, Feb. 5, Mr. Walter Ferrier, Civil Engineer, Public Works Department.

FRANCIS.—At Rangoon, Jan. 28, on board H.M.'s Transport *Tabal Cain*, Capt. J. Francis, of the firm of Fraser and Co., Calcutta.

GARSTIN.—At Mozufferpore, Jan. 19, suddenly, J. W. Garstin, Esq.

MILLETT.—At Bala Pass, Feb. 4, killed in action, Lieut. C. G. Millett, Quartermaster, 11th (late 70th) Regt. N.I.

STEVENS.—At Kurrachee, Richard White Stevens, Esq., aged 45.

TRIP.—Lieut. J. E. Trip, Quartermaster of the 2nd Batt. 12th Foot, from a fall from his horse, at Seetapore, Feb. 13.

WHEELER.—At Bombay, Feb. 18, Mr. J. Wheeler, aged 78.

WRIGHT.—At Bombay, Feb. 26, Mr. Thos. Wright, 1st Assistant Melter, H.M.'s Mint.

To Correspondents.

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THE INDO-EUROPEAN TELEGRAPH.

THE telegrams lately received from Bombay and Calcutta tend to show that it is quite possible for intelligence of a spasmodic character to travel too quickly. It may be urged on the other side that the news from America, which has exercised such a depressing influence upon the Indian markets, must have reached those Presidencies a few weeks later, and that the sole difference is merely a question of time. But this is taking a very hasty and superficial view of the point at issue. In the latter case something more than the naked announcement of the fact would have been offered as a guide to speculators. They would have known the causes that brought about each particular contingency, and would thus be in a position to reason with some degree of confidence on the probable future result. But telegraphic information must ever be of the most meagre kind, and is quite as likely to lead to a wrong conclusion as to a right one. A comparative anatomist, indeed, may be able to predicate from the examination of a single bone not only the entire structure but also the habits of the animal to which it belongs. But in political and commercial calculations so many disturbing causes have to be taken into account, that the longest and most sagacious experience is oftentimes as much at fault as a gambler would be who had never studied the doctrine of chances. At this moment, for instance, the telegraphic report of a great Federal or Confederate victory would depress or stimulate the Indian markets to a degree far beyond the intrinsic value of the event itself. In the one case holders of cotton goods would be in despair, in the other they would be exalted to the seventh heaven; whereas, if they knew all the circumstances of the case, they would abide the issue with a calm indifference. The ultimate effect of telegraphic communication will be the restriction of all the minor firms to *bonâ fide* agency business, and so far it will be productive of much good. Now and again a small capitalist, who should rather have

been a professional gamester than a sedate merchant, may realise a fortune by "going in for double or quits," but it will be that he may have a larger sum to lose at the next cast of the dice. Even the largest capitalists will require to exercise no ordinary caution, for their ablest calculations may be baffled by the slightest stupidity, or carelessness, on the part of a signaller. There will be times, of course, when a telegraphic message may be the means of averting otherwise inevitable ruin; but, so far as the ordinary routine of business is concerned, it may be questioned if the inconveniences arising from such frequent and imperfect correspondence will not more than counterbalance its advantages.

From a military and political point of view, so long as tranquillity prevails in the countries traversed by the line, it is difficult to overrate the importance of such immediate communication, unless, indeed, it be abused to the extent of rendering the Viceroy and the Commander-in-Chief the mere puppets of the Home authorities. The misfortune, however, is, that when the telegraph will be the most needed, as in the event of a Continental war in Europe, or of another great rebellion in India, the wires are certain to be cut, or communication will be interrupted in some other way. In the meanwhile it is an extraordinary feat of science and enterprise, and is immensely creditable to the engineers, through whose intelligence and perseverance it has been constructed. Of its value as an investment it were premature to speak.

DOING THINGS BY HALVES.

THERE is nothing so bad as doing things by halves. If we are to be wrong, let us be greatly wrong, and stick to it. A highwayman, even with blood on his hands, is a far more interesting personage than an "area sneak," and will always command a certain degree of sympathy. The people of these islands do not seem to understand this social axiom. It is true they have done their share in the way of plundering and despoiling on a large scale, but they don't stick to what they have done. They are always doing things by halves. They will lop off the members of a State or Potentate without the slightest hesitation, but no sooner are the scissors pointed at the hair than straightway they are seized with remorse, and protest against the cruelty of putting the sufferer to inconvenience. The French manage these matters far better than we do. With infinite grace and agility they throw a cloak—call it religion, civilisation, honour, or what you will—over the eyes of the furious and still struggling victim, and then proceed to cut its throat with perfect composure and self-complacency. They may be indifferent colonisers, but they are adepts

at conquest. They have, indeed, an *idée*, just as we have a "mission," to sanctify homicide and spoliation, but they never allow that *idée* to be anything more than an excuse for the benefit of outside barbarians, and would laugh to scorn the notion that they themselves were in any way bound by it, or that they need be at all embarrassed by the necessity of acting consistently with their published programme. Least of all would they dream of planting a white moss-rose tree at the head of every grave they had dug and helped to fill. Not that they are deficient in sentimentality, but they take care to preserve their sentiment in its essential form, and never suffer it to be precipitated in the form of moral platitudes and a snivelling remorse. In India they would have acted as the Norman Conqueror did in England, or as they themselves have done in Algeria. They would have had operas, cafés, and Champs Elysées in every city in the Peninsula. Shahs, shahzadehs, nawabs, and rajahs would have been taught dominoes and billiards by the best players in Paris, and would all have been decorated with the ribbon of the Legion of Honour. If any one proved troublesome he would have been *interné* in some petty town in the south of France, until he recognised the grandeur of French ideas when supported by French bayonets. Certainly nobody would ever have heard of the wrong done to the descendant of an upstart noble in granting him an annual allowance of 375,000 francs to spend as he pleased, and he might have considered himself fortunate if he received the third part of such a handsome annuity. But the English career in India has been one huge sham from beginning to end. From first to last the East India Company adopted the *Nolo episcopari* principle. They protested against territorial acquisitions, and founded an empire. Swearing they would ne'er consent to wrong Gentoo or Moorman, they yielded to destiny, and took from them all they had—lands, liberties, titles, privileges, history, and tradition. And when they had gotten their country for an inheritance, they promised to teach them English all round, and to fire nine guns whenever a great chief came to visit any of their stations. But the statesmen and politicians of England were shocked at their selfishness (chiefly displayed in deferring too much to the prejudices of the conquered millions), and resolved to take upon themselves the task of implanting Western ideas in an Eastern soil. It was then discovered that we had a "mission" to fulfil. India had been brought under English dominion in order to supply Lancashire with short-staple cotton, and Mincing-lane with unadulterated teas; and since indigo was wanted, and the soil of Bengal could grow it, it was clearly a part of this wonderful

mission to compel its culture, though at the ruin of its cultivators. Possibly the inhabitants of the land might prefer corn to cotton and potherbs to indigo; but the mission must be worked out, and if her Majesty's Secretary of State could not be made to understand that India was created for the English planter, and not for the mere children of the soil—why, he must be called a Maharajah and a Bahadour, and the Premier must be admonished to get rid of him. Beyond all comparison, Sir Charles Wood is the best abused man in these isles. It is not possible for him to please any one party for any length of time. If he throw his shield over the helpless ryot, he is reviled as a White Pandey by his own countrymen; and if he decline to jeopardise the tranquillity of the empire by maintaining in squalid splendour and discontented irresponsibility a host of titular nobodies, he is told that the sun of England's honour has set, that the national character is tarnished beyond redemption, and that he himself is a monstrous epitome of all that is disagreeable in man. And all this simply because he will do things by halves, in deference to public ignorance and public timidity. No man who has a conscience is fit to govern an Oriental people. A clear head, and a steady nerve—in other words, a sound digestion—is all that is really wanted to constitute the beau ideal of an Eastern despot. There must be no looking back. The dead past must bury its dead. "Forward!" must be his battle cry. If he hesitate, he is lost. He may do a great wrong with impunity if he do it thoroughly, but he must not pause to redress ever so small a one. Take, for instance, the case of the Nawab of the Carnatic.

A hundred years ago the French and English were warring for supremacy in the Southern Peninsula. To conciliate the aid of the natives they pretended to take the part of one or the other of any two chiefs, or princes, who might happen to be at war with one another, and there seldom lacked an opportunity. In those days the Great Mogul was nominally Lord Paramount of India, which he governed through the agency of Satraps, who owed him an allegiance which they seldom paid. There was the Nawab Wuzer of Oude, the Nawab Nazim of Bengal, the Nizam of the Deccan, and other viceregal deputies of lesser note. The Nizam's vicereignty being too extensive to be directly administered by himself, he was aided by a Lieutenant, called the Soubadah or Nawab of the Carnatic. It chanced that there were rivals for this post, and accordingly the French sided with one candidate while the English adopted the other. British prowess prevailed, and their protégé proved not ungrateful to his benefactors. Through the decadence of the Delhi dynasty, the pre-

sentation of a considerable sum of money to the Nizam, and the short-sighted, easy-going good nature of the East India Company, the successful Soubadar eventually gained the title and attributes of an independent prince, owing fealty to the Emperor of Delhi. Yet a few years passed on, and the English supremacy in Southern India being firmly established, the feudal vassals of the Great Mogul became the feudal vassals of the Company. Tippoo Saib, the most formidable enemy ever opposed to the English in the East, had died a soldier's death after a gallant struggle, in which the Nawab of the Carnatic had, like a sensible man, placed himself on the side of the strongest. At the same time he took care to "hedge"—to use a sporting phrase—and endeavoured to make his book safe against either event. But it is a perilous game to run with the hare while hunting with the hounds, for the scent is hard to destroy. And so it proved in this case, for on the taking of Seringapatam a set of ciphers was found clearly showing that a clandestine, and therefore treasonous correspondence had been kept up with the enemy, to which the Nawab was at least privy, even if he took no active part in it. Nothing, says Sir Fitzroy Kelly, was found in his handwriting. It would be rather strange if there had been. Eastern craft is not a whit behind European diplomacy, and the last thing to be expected of an Indian ruler is, that he should commit himself in writing to a dangerous intrigue. That the Nawab possessed a guilty knowledge of what was going on can hardly be doubted, for the intelligence forwarded to Tippoo could have been derived from no one but himself. The treachery being proved, the right course would have been at once to have assumed the Government of the Carnatic, and declared the Nawabship extinct and forfeited for ever. But the thing was done by halves. As the otherwise rightful heir declined to accept the office on the terms proposed to him, it was bestowed upon his cousin, who was willing to agree to anything. And now the mistake was made of dignifying by the name of Treaty what was nothing more than a covenant—differing in form, not in spirit, from the covenants made by the East India Company with their European servants. The Nawab himself—by name Azeem-ul-Dowlah—never pretended that he was anything more than a highly-favoured dependent of the Company, and was quite aware that the compact was only for his own lifetime, or rather for so long as he properly conducted himself. No mention whatever was made of his "heirs and successors," and throughout the somewhat vaguely-worded document Azeem-ul-Dowlah himself appears as one of the contracting parties in his personal capa-

city, and not as an hereditary or independent ruler. Nor could he have appeared as such, for the Company was then the Paramount Power, and the lieutenantancy of the Carnatic was actually in abeyance at the time he consented to hold that dignity subject to the Company. But, says Major Bell, perpetuity is indicated by certain words in the preamble, which speak of "establishing the connection between the said contracting parties on a permanent basis of security in all times to come." This phrase, however, must be interpreted according to the context. The covenant was made not for one year, or two years—it was not a thing to be periodically renewed, but was to last for all times to come during the lifetime of the contracting party whose name was specially mentioned. At the death of the Nawab Azeem-ul-Dowlah it was optional with the East India Company to allow the covenant to cease and determine of itself, or to extend it to his son. Again they did things by halves. They neither declared the compact to be at an end, nor expressly extended it to his son, but carelessly suffered it to go on of itself, and in like manner did they act when a vacancy again occurred. But when both the son and the grandson of Azeem-ul-Dowlah had passed away, and there was no direct lineal descendant of the latter to inherit the liberality they had hitherto so improvidently displayed—and which had already cost the country upwards of two millions sterling—it appeared to Lord Harris, as well as to Lord Dalhousie, that the time had come for doing away with such an extravagant arrangement, the advantages of which were all on one side. In the clearest possible terms Lord Harris points out the great inconvenience, and even danger, that would arise from persisting in such a waste of the public money. It is easy enough to be lavish of funds that have to be found by others, but such prodigality savours rather of a selfish and inconsiderate ostentation than of true generosity, which must always be based upon justice. And the reasons assigned by the Governor of Madras against the perpetuation of the covenant made in 1801 are so sound and explicit that no impartial reader can fail to be convinced by them. The semblance of royalty without any of the power is a mockery which, he wisely observes, cannot be otherwise than pernicious, for the presence of a quasi-royal family and court may well lead the natives to infer that there exists a co-ordinate authority in the Government. Again, it is "not only anomalous, but prejudicial to the community that a separate authority, not amenable to the laws, should be permitted to exist." And here comes a weighty and prescient argument, which does infinite credit to his lordship's sagacity. "It is impolitic and unwise," he writes, "to allow a pageant to con-

tinue which, though it has hitherto been politically harmless, may at any time become a nucleus for sedition and agitation." Lastly, it is inexpedient to perpetuate the scandal that has been caused by the flagrant immorality and coarse debauchery of the Nawabs, which tend to bring high station into disrepute, and favour "the accumulation of an idle and dissipated population in the chief city of the Presidency." Such cogent reasoning was not likely to be thrown away upon the perspicacious mind of Lord Dalhousie, and the useless, wasteful, dangerous mockery of the titular sovereignty of the Carnatic was exploded and dispersed to the winds. An abundant provision, however, was made for the disappointed claimant of the imaginary *musnud*, no small portion of which is annually expended in getting up an insensate agitation for redress of grievances that have never been inflicted. Of the exact nature and success of this agitation a tolerably correct opinion may be formed from the fraudulent character of the petitions presented to Parliament in favour of a fresh inquiry into the case. It were well, indeed, for India if every royal or princely shadow could be as easily and as righteously effaced. Had no half measures been pursued in the first instance—had a "thorough" policy been followed out—had no mawkish sentiments of misplaced compassion been suffered to cloud the judgment—had the conquerors of India carried their heart in their head, or their brain over their heart—there would have been far less of heartburnings and discontent in the long run—there would, probably, have been no mutiny at Vellore, no massacre at Delhi, no Nana Sahib at Bithoor, and no annual motion about the Nawab of the Carnatic. In political questions the half is often greater than the whole.

BOOKS.

A Letter Addressed, by permission, to the Right Hon. Lord Stanley, M.P. By Indopolite. J. Davy and Sons.

This compact, but incorrectly printed, little volume contains *in petto* all that can be said to support the claims of Prince Azeem Jah, and, perhaps, a good deal more than can fairly be urged in their favour. The Appendix is so far valuable that it furnishes nearly all that is required for a refutation of the Nawab's alleged grievances. Lord Harris's Minute, which is honestly reproduced, is the best answer to Mr. Smollett's violent diatribe against that amiable nobleman, and clearly shows that, if his lordship really did form his own opinion as to the merits of the case without consulting his legal advisers, there were few men in India at the time his Minute was written who more thoroughly understood the inconvenience arising from the maintenance of titular sovereignties. However

much, therefore, we may respect "Indopolite's" sense of fair play, we cannot think that he has acted wisely in the interests of his client in placing in such prominent relief the arguments of the adverse party. Out of his own mouth, as it were, he can now be answered—a degree of impartiality for which his principal is not likely to feel particularly grateful. Be that as it may, the question is fairly submitted to the reader, who must form his own conclusions according to the evidence and the light that is in him.

Debrett's Illustrated Peerage of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland. 1865. Dean and Son.

Debrett's Illustrated Baronetage and Knightage of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland. 1865. Dean and Son.

We shall hardly be accused of departing from our usual custom of noticing only such works as have an immediate reference to the East, if we award a few lines of merited commendation to the oldest and best account of the Nobility and Aristocracy of the British Empire that has ever yet been given to the public. And these volumes are not only the most complete of their kind, they are also, in relation to the quantity and variety of matter they contain, decidedly the cheapest. A work that has held its own for upwards of a century against many formidable competitors may safely be left to stand on its merits. Nor should we have deemed it necessary to direct the attention of our readers to these respectively most useful books of reference—for who is there that has not heard of "Debrett's Peerage," or "Debrett's Baronetage?"—were it not that many important improvements have been introduced in the present edition. The arms of all Peers and Baronets are here blazoned and described, and also the arms of the several Sees. In addition to this, the Knightage is now given for the first time, together with a special chapter on the Orders of State and Degrees of Honour, Dignity, and Precedence. The names of the Church livings in the gift of Peers and Baronets are carefully specified, and much useful information is introduced regarding matters which everybody wants to know, but which nobody ever does know. Not unreasonably do the proprietors claim to have produced "a complete repertory of useful knowledge concerning the Titled Classes of the Realm."

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 15.

Petitions were presented by Mr. COX, from Major Kenneth Macaulay, 23rd Regiment, Lieutenant Thomas Wright Gilchrist, 50th Regiment, and Lieutenant G. Godfrey, 17th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, complaining of violation of rights secured to them by Parliamentary guarantee, and praying for redress.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 16.

Petitions from officers of the Indian army, complaining of grievances and praying for redress, were presented by the SOLICITOR-GENERAL, from Major Colin Cookworthy, of the Bengal Artillery; by Mr. TORRENS, from Lieutenant E. Armstrong, late 3rd Regiment

Madras Europeans, and Lieutenant Bayley, 6th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Colonel SYKES, from Lieutenant-colonel T. Buchanan, 4th Regiment Madras Light Cavalry, and Major G. Atkinson, 6th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Sir W. MILES, from Robert Peniston Milbank, Crewe, Captain 14th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and by Mr. INGHAM, from Captain Simpson and Lieutenant St. John, of the Madras army.

AZEEM JAH.—FRAUDULENT PETITIONS.

A special report from the Committee on Public Petitions was brought up by the Chairman of the Committee and read by the Clerk at the table. It stated that the Committee had grounds for believing that many of the signatures to a petition purporting to be the petition of inhabitants of Westminster, in favour of the claims of Azeem Jah, and purporting to be signed by certain persons resident near the Houses of Parliament, were forgeries. The Committee also had reason to believe that other signatures to petitions presented with the like prayer were also fraudulently attached.

Mr. C. FORSTER, as Chairman of the Committee on Public Petitions, moved that the report do lie on the table. The Committee, he said, had reason to believe that names were attached to the petition without either the knowledge or consent of the parties, to an extent involving an abuse of the right of petition and an infringement of the privileges of that House. It was for the House to say whether the notice which had been taken of the matter was sufficient to vindicate the right of petition, or whether the House would push the matter farther and appoint a Select Committee to consider the subject, with power to send for persons and papers.

Mr. ALDERMAN SALOMONS, as one of the Committee on Petitions, said that several of the signatures to one of the petitions, purporting to be those of persons of station in society, were forgeries. The Committee had reason to believe that a very large number of these signatures were fraudulent, and constituted such an abuse of the right of petition that some public notice ought to be taken of the matter.

Mr. BONHAM-CARTER said that the whole of his experience of eighteen years as a member of the Committee on Public Petitions he had never seen so gross a fraud as that now brought under the notice of the House. It was not a case in which one or two names had been attached with or without the knowledge of the parties, but one petition on the face of it appeared to be fraudulent from first to last. The very first name was proved to be a forgery, and the Committee thought it their duty to bring the matter before the House, but without the slightest intention to prejudice the debate.

The motion was agreed to, and the report was ordered to lie upon the table.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 17.

Petitions from officers in the Indian army, complaining of grievances and praying for redress, were presented by Colonel SYKES, from Captain S. Hodgson, 2nd Regiment Madras Light Cavalry, and Lieutenant C. C. Hewetson, late 49th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. WHITE, from Major A. H. Gordon, of the late 52nd Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Captain George Hodding, 20th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and Brevet-Captain Swiney, 32nd Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. MARSH, from Major J. A. Angus, of the late 9th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, Brevet-Major W. Serres, of the late 51st Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and Lieutenant W. G. Sharp, 41st Regiment Madras Native Infantry.

OUDE.

LORD STANLEY asked the Secretary of State for India whether he was prepared to lay on the table, together with the papers relating to

Oude affairs, any opinion which might have been recorded by members of the Council?

Sir C. Wood was understood to say that he would do so when he made his financial statement.

A BATCH OF INDIAN BILLS.

Sir C. Wood obtained leave to bring in a Bill to enlarge the powers in certain matters of the Governor-general of India in Council at meetings for making laws and regulations, and to amend the law respecting the territorial limits of the several Presidencies and Lieutenant-governorships in India; and also a Bill to extend the term for granting fresh letters patent for the High Courts in India, and to make further provision respecting the territorial jurisdiction of the said Courts.

The Bills were brought in and read a first time.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 20.

Petitions for redress of grievances were presented by Mr. JACKSON, from Lieutenant-colonel J. Daniel, 16th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Captain E. G. Dixon, 10th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and Lieutenant H. T. Harris, 36th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. AUGUSTUS SMITH, from Brevet-Major Thomas Tristram Piers, Bombay army; by Colonel SYKES, from Major-general C. E. Faber, Retired List, Madras Engineers, Brevet-Major R. G. Lewis, 31st Regiment Madras Light Infantry, Lieutenant H. D. Barne, 1st Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and by Colonel WILSON PATTEN, from Lieutenant Macaulay, 51st Regiment of the Bengal army.

THE INDIAN BUDGET.

In answer to Mr. WATKIN,

Sir C. Wood said he was unable to name any day for making his financial statement, for he had not yet received the Indian accounts. Next year he hoped that these accounts would be forthcoming at an earlier period. During the whole of last autumn officers had been engaged in simplifying the accounts, and this had probably impeded their earlier preparation.

BRITISH SUBJECTS IN CHINA.

Colonel SYKES called attention to the alleged inability of the British Government to enforce Orders in Council and Ordinances by superintendents of trade, relating to British subjects in China; and asked whether such alleged inability is consistent with the proceedings of the Consular Courts in China? He gave long details, founded principally upon private letters, of acts in alleged violation of the orders and ordinances in question.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL explained that, if the law were violated, Consuls in no case could proceed except upon information properly before them, or proper evidence that a breach of law had been committed. It was impossible that they could send a roving commission all over China to find out who might be or who might not be disobeying the law, and to summon them, whether they were in the service of the Emperor or not, to answer for offences of which no one had accused them. The Consular Courts had the same duties to perform as other courts in criminal cases—they had to receive information properly verified, and to decide according to law; but they were not to go about all over China trying to find out all possible offenders. The Government of this country could not be held responsible for the discovery and punishment of all British subjects who might commit offences in any part of China. When these subjects were within the consular jurisdiction and were properly accused—on proper evidence—then it would be time enough to inquire whether they had offended against the ordinances. It was quite impossible that these ordinances could be executed all over a great empire like China—they could only be enforced in those places where our Consuls were situated.

BOMBAY BACK BAY SHARES.

Mr. H. SEYMOUR called attention to the pro-

ceedings of the Indian authorities with regard to the Back Bay shares at Bombay, whereby, he said, the Government had lost a very large sum. He referred to the vast influx of money into Bombay, which had enhanced prices there, and asked for copies of any correspondence relating to a proposed increase of the salaries of officials in the Bombay Presidency.

Sir C. Wood, premising that he had no objection to lay the papers referred to upon the table, declared that the Government of India had acted rightly in this matter. He admitted that if the Government of Bombay had taken shares and sold them it might have made a considerable sum of money; but in that case the object for which it was asked to take those shares would have been entirely frustrated. When it was found that the shares were not going off very well the Government was asked to take them, in order that a permanent endowment might be given to the project. The Government of Bombay wrote to the supreme Government asking that it might be permitted to comply with that request. The Government of India replied in effect:—"We don't think it proper for a Government to take part in a speculative project of this kind. Therefore, don't do it." The ground on which it was desired that the Government of Bombay should take the shares was that the company might have Government security for the money invested in the project; and, therefore, if the Government had taken the shares and sold them at a profit that object would have been frustrated.

The India Office (Site and Approaches) Bill was read a second time.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 21.

Petitions were presented, complaining of a breach of public faith, and praying for redress, from Brevet-major T. C. Austey, 9th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and Captain R. V. Handyside, 9th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Sir H. STRONG, from Captain A. H. Cooke, 21st Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Captain R. A. Chadwick, 5th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieut. A. W. Cheke, 13th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Major PARKER, from Captain W. A. Beath, of the late 45th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Captain J. H. Isache, of the late 2nd Madras European Light Infantry; and Lieutenant J. G. E. Cameron, 13th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Colonel SYKES, from Captain A. Gallagan, 10th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Brevet-captain J. C. W. Bruce, 48th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieutenant R. G. Jenkins, 8th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. WYLD, from Indian officers; by Mr. SMOLLETT, from Major H. H. Lyster, V.C., late 72nd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; Captain H. W. Lowther, late 52nd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; and Capt. R. C. Lindsay, late 24th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; by Mr. BUXTON, from Capt. H. G. Stiles, 4th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Brevet-captain George Stedman, 23rd Regiment Madras Light Infantry; and Lieutenant H. G. Symons, 23rd Regiment Madras Light Infantry; by Sir G. BOWYER, from Brevet-major E. H. Blomfield, 7th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Brevet-captain A. C. Forth, 14th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieutenant G. C. Ford, 7th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. TORRENS, from Captain Daunt, 25th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and Lieutenant W. H. Cockell, 8th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and by Mr. HENDERSON, from Captain Henderson, of the Indian Army, and Captain Austey, Indian Army.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 23.

Petitions were presented, complaining of a breach of public faith, and praying for redress, by Mr. HOWES, from Brevet-major E. A. M. McGregor, of the late 4th Regiment of

Bengal European Cavalry, Captain John Grant Matheson, of the late 2nd Regiment of Bengal European Infantry, Captain Robert Blair, late of the 32nd Regiment, Bengal Army, Brevet-captain Crawford, late of the 18th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry, and Lieut. H. M. Buller, late Bengal European Light Cavalry; by Sir M. FARQUHAR, from Captain J. D. L. Campbell, 23rd Regiment Madras Light Infantry, and Lieut. T. D. Chatterton, 33rd Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. DENMAN, from Brevet-major John Shand, 51st Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Captain O. F. Smithers, 3rd Madras European Regiment, and Lieut. T. H. Stoton, 13th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Colonel SYKES, from Colonel G. S. Cotter, C.B., Retired List, Royal Artillery, Captain H. T. Vachell, Captain R. A. Morse, Captain G. F. Worsley, and Lieut. H. Stevenson, Royal Bombay Artillery.

CONSULAR COURTS IN CHINA.

Mr. KINNAIRD asked the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether it was proposed to take any steps to remedy the evils arising from the Consular Courts in China being the only accessible courts for the trial of civil and criminal as well as the ordinary police cases, the Consuls not being lawyers by education, and the amount of business having become very large.

Mr. LAYARD said that measures were in progress for establishing a Consular Court at Shanghai, and a consular judge, an assistant-judge, and a law secretary would be appointed. All the provincial consular Courts in China would be under their jurisdiction; the consular judge would have the power of going circuit; there would be an appeal from the provincial courts to his court, and from his court to the Privy Council.

INDIA OFFICE (SITE AND APPROACHES, &c.) BILL.

On the motion of Mr. COWPER, the Select Committee was nominated on this Bill:—Mr. Cowper, Lord John Manners, Sir John Shelley, and Mr. Baillie Cochrane, and three members to be added by the Committee of Selection. Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

AZEM JAH (PETITION).

On the motion of Mr. C. FORSTER, a Select Committee was appointed to inquire into the circumstances under which and the parties by whom the signatures were annexed to the petitions relating to the case of Prince Azem Jah, presented during the present Session. That the said petitions be referred to the committee.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 24.

Petitions were presented complaining of a breach of public faith and praying for redress, by Mr. VANSITTART, from Major Archibald Trotter, of the Bengal Army; by Sir F. SMITH, from Captain A. Reul, 14th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Captain W. Ramsay, 10th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieutenant G. N. Ross, 12th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. FINLAY, from Major F. W. A. Robson, 20th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Captain T. W. Rutherford, 47th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Captain S. Stallard, Royal Bengal Artillery; by Mr. S. FITZGERALD, from Captain J. Reay, late 63rd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; by Colonel SYKES, from Colonel Charles Samuel Reid, Royal Bombay Artillery; Lieutenant Richard S. Roberts, 13th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieutenant W. Rowlandson, 17th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Dr. BRADY, from Brevet-Captain J. Thompson, of the late 58th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; and Lieutenant C. M. Smith, 32nd Regiment Madras Native Infantry.

THE OUDE CLAIMS.

Mr. KNIGHT asked the Secretary of State for India whether the report of the Calcutta Commission on the Oude claims had been received, and, if so, whether it would be laid on the table?

Sir C. WOOD was understood to say that the report had not been received.

LABOUR ORDINANCE FOR INDIA.

Mr. H. SEYMOUR asked the Secretary of State for India if he would promote a labour ordinance for India, or certain parts of India, similar to that now in force in Ceylon; and if he would cause to be remedied the great want of roads in the important district of Wynaad. In explaining the objects of his inquiries he passed some severe criticisms upon the home Indian administration.

Sir C. WOOD said his hon. friend urged him to incur a very considerable expenditure with a view to increasing the Indian surplus or diminishing the deficit. He could not, however, see how that object was to be attained by the construction of roads which he advocated, although he was ready to admit that it was most desirable that those roads should be made with all possible expedition. He so far concurred with his hon. friend in that respect that after the report of Sir W. Denison, who had gone out to India last autumn, he had given instructions that roads, which he quite granted were very much needed, should be proceeded with in a more systematic way and should be completed within a certain time. With respect to the coffee and tea districts he found that there was an increase of about 2,000 tons a year in the production of coffee, and that the Assam tea, the production of which also was, he believed, on the increase, commanded a very good price in the London markets. His hon. friend, however, adverting to another subject, complained that there was no law in India placing on a proper footing the relations between master and servant; but the fact was that the question having been considered by the law commission in this country was placed upon that footing which the most able jurists deemed to be the best. Even beyond that point the question of importing labour from one part of the country to another had been legislated upon in the districts of Assam, for the introduction of labour into which a special Act had two years ago been passed. He regretted, however, to say that the result had not realised the expectations which had been formed, owing to circumstances over which legislation had no control. It should in dealing with the subject be borne in mind that the introduction of labour into small islands like the West Indies or Ceylon and its control was a comparatively easy matter; but that when labourers were brought into a perfectly wild country, to the sort of life prevailing in which they were unaccustomed, these regulations were attended with considerable difficulty. Into the particular district of Wynaad almost all the labourers were imported from Mysore, and, as they generally went there only for two or three months, that permanent sort of contract to which his hon. friend alluded could not well be established.

ROYAL LEVEE.

By command of the Queen the second levee of the season was held on Wednesday, at St. James's Palace, by his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, on behalf of her Majesty.

The following were among the presentations to the Prince of Wales, on behalf of the Queen:—

Capt. D. G. Anderson, Royal Artillery, on return from India, by Col. G. Gambier, c.b.

Gen. Arbuthnot, on promotion, by H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge.

Lieut. Arbuthnot, Rifle Brigade, on promotion, by Gen. Arbuthnot.

Lieut. Arthur Brooks, 13th Prince Albert's Light Infantry, on return from India, by Col. Lord Mark Kerr, c.b.

Major Melville Brown, 13th Prince Albert's Light Infantry, on return from India, by Col. Lord Mark Kerr, c.b.

Lieut. R. T. Chapman, Madras Army, by the Secretary of State for India.

Capt. Longueville Clarke, 101st Royal Bengal Fusiliers, by the Adjutant-General.

Mr. Herbert Collier, by his father, Admiral Henry Collier.

Ensign Wm. Conolly, on appointment to her Majesty's 35th Regiment, by Lieut. gen. Sir Robt. J. H. Vivian.

Capt. Lynch Stapleton Cotton, 97th Regiment, by Major general Sir Sydney Cotton.

Capt. W. de Vitre, Royal Artillery, on return from India, by Col. G. Gambier, c.b.

Capt. Roderick Dew, on return from China, and appointment as Companion of the Bath, by the Duke of Somerset.

Assistant Surgeon John Elliot, M.D., Bengal Army, on his return from India, by the Secretary of State for India.

Ensign A. C. Fitzgeorge, Rifle Brigade, by the Adjutant General.

Lieut. H. S. Ford, Royal Artillery, on appointment, by Col. G. Gambier, c.b.

Capt. J. Gillespie, Bengal Staff Corps, on arrival from India, by the Secretary of State for India.

Lieut. G. Godfrey, Madras Army, by the Secretary of State for India.

Major John Gordon, 46th Regiment, by Major general Sir Robert Garrett.

Capt. T. S. Hawks, Madras Staff Corps, by the Secretary of State for India.

Col. A. Huyshe, Royal Horse Artillery, on return from India, by the Duke of Cambridge.

Major J. H. Jenkins, Bengal Army, by Major general Sir Sydney Cotton, K.C.B.

Capt. Macdonell, 71st Highland Light Infantry, by Lieut. general Hon. Sir J. Scarlett, K.C.B.

Cornet Frederick Henry Maitland, 8th Hussars, on return with his regiment from India, by the Earl of Lauderdale.

Sir Ranald Martin, by Sir Charles Wood.

Captain Ashton G. Mayne, her Majesty's 1st Bombay Lancers (and Central India Horse), by Gen. Sir G. Pollock, G.C.B., K.S.I.

Assistant surgeon J. J. M'Dermott, Bengal Medical Staff, by the Secretary of State for India.

Col. Thomas M'Goun, on return from India, by Lieut. gen. Sir Robert J. H. Vivian, K.C.B.

Capt. Thomas Miles, 17th Lancers, on return from India, by the Adjutant General.

Sir Robert Montgomery, late Lieutenant Governor of the Punjab, by the Right Hon. Sir Charles Wood, Bart.

Col. Pierrepont Mundy, on appointment to command the 4th Brigade Royal Artillery, by the Duke of Cambridge.

Henry Francis Mutukisna, Deputy Queen's Advocate and Justice of the Peace, N.C. Ceylon, by the Right Hon. Edward Cardwell.

Lieut. col. Horace Newton, Royal Artillery, on promotion, by the Duke of Cambridge.

Capt. J. A. Nutt, 100th Regt., on his return from India, by the Adjutant General.

Lieut. H. L. Nutt, 103rd Regt. (Royal Bombay Fusiliers), on his return from India, by the Adjutant General.

Capt. Penny, Royal Engineers, on return from India, by the Secretary of State for India.

Major H. L. Pester, H.M.'s 9th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, by the Right Hon. Sir Charles Wood, G.C.B.

Capt. F. G. Ravenhill, Royal Horse Artillery, by Col. G. Gambier, c.b.

Lieut. T. A. Richardson, Royal Artillery, on appointment, by Col. G. Gambier, c.b.

Capt. John Angerstein Rowley, 13th Prince Albert's Light Infantry, on return from India, by Colonel Lord Mark Kerr, c.b.

Ensign Charles Drury Rundall, 101st Royal Bengal Fusiliers, by the Adjutant General.

Mr. Reginald F. Saunders, H.M.'s Bengal Civil Service, by the Secretary of State for India.

Capt. Savory, 78th Highlanders, on promotion, and return from the Staff in China, by Lieut. general Hon. Sir James Yorke Scarlett, K.C.B.

Lieut. C. C. Saxton, Royal Artillery, on return from India, by Col. G. Gambier, c.b.

Lieut. Robinson G. Scott, Royal Engineers, on appointment, by Col. F. E. Chapman, c.b.

Lieut. C. M. Smith, Royal Artillery, on appointment, by Col. G. Gambier, c.b.

Lieut. George W. Tisdall, Royal Engineers, on appointment, by Col. F. E. Chapman, c.b.

Capt. G. B. Traill, Royal Horse Artillery, on return from India, by Col. G. Gambier, c.b.

Major general Sir Robert Walpole, K.C.B., on appointment to command of Chatham district, by the Duke of Cambridge.

Lieut. Stanier Waller, Royal Engineers, on appointment, by Col. F. E. Chapman, c.b.

Lieut. Nathaniel Westaway, Royal Engineers, on appointment, by Col. F. E. Chapman, c.b.

Capt. Willis, 33rd Regiment, by Lieut. general Knollys.

Lieut. col. E. Wray, c.b., Royal Artillery, on appointment as c.b. and return from India, by Col. G. Gambier, c.b.

Lieut. John T. Wright, Royal Engineers, on appointment, by Col. F. E. Chapman, c.b.

Lieut. G. C. Wynne, Royal Artillery, on appointment, by Col. G. Gambier, c.b.

COURT OF ADMIRALTY.—SATURDAY, MARCH 25.

(Before Dr. Lushington.)

THE INDIAN MUTINY.—THE BANDA AND KIRWEE BOOTY.

SIR GEORGE CORNISH WHITLOCK AND OTHERS V. MAJOR-GENERAL HENRY EYRE, EXECUTOR OF THE LATE LORD CLYDE, AND OTHERS.

This case came before the Court on an application to make a claim to share in the Banda and Kirwee booty, seized during the Indian mutiny, and alleged to be worth upwards of a million of money.

Mr. E. C. Clarkson appeared on the part of Captain Dyer and the officers and men of the 50th Regiment of the Madras Army, in support of a claim; the Queen's Advocate and Mr. Ayrton, M.P., were for Sir George Whitlock and others, making the claim in the first instance.

Mr. Clarkson said Captain Dyer had made an affidavit, and he had to ask his lordship that three weeks' time be granted to support the claim, which he was instructed to make on the part of the 50th Regiment of the Madras army, because there were public documents to be consulted, and they would require to be looked into before the claim of the parties he represented could be properly placed before the court.

Mr. Ayrton objected to the delay mentioned, and suggested that a few days would be quite sufficient to make the claim.

Dr. Lushington thought that ten days' time would be quite sufficient for the purpose intended. He did not exactly know how the matter was to be presented. He apprehended that the court had generally to ascertain to whom the money belonged.

DIVORCE COURT.—MARCH 18.

Before the JUDGE ORDINARY and a Common Jury.

BARROW V. BARROW.

Dr. Wamsey and Mr. Morgan Howard appeared for the petitioner; Dr. Spinks for the respondent.

This was a wife's petition for dissolution on the ground of adultery, coupled with desertion. The husband was a solicitor in Calcutta, and he married the petitioner in February, 1849, and lived with her very happily for several years in India and in England, and had several children by her. In 1859 she came to England with the children, leaving her husband in India. He had made the acquaintance of Mr. Hudson, an artist at Calcutta, and frequently visited at his house, and ultimately formed an adulterous connection with Mrs. Hudson, who eloped with him in 1861. They had since lived together as man and wife in India and in London, and Mr. Hudson recently obtained a decree of dissolution. The petitioner stated that in May, 1860, the respondent had come over to England unexpectedly and had an interview with her, at which he made an accusation of misconduct against her, for which there was not the slightest foundation, and said he should not live with her again. He accordingly left her, and returned to India, but made her an allowance of £120 a-year.

The respondent had filed an answer, denying the charge, but there was no defence, and a verdict was returned for the petitioner.

Decree nisi, with costs.

MARCH 22.

Before the JUDGE ORDINARY and a Special Jury.

POLLARD V. POLLARD AND HEMMING.

Dillon Gustavus Pollard prayed for a dissolution of his marriage with Rebecca Pollard, on the ground of her adultery with Frederick Shand Hemming, and claimed damages.

The respondent and the co-respondent denied the charge.

The Solicitor-General and Dr. Tristram appeared for the petitioner; Mr. Holl for the respondent; and Mr. Digby Seymour, Q.C., and Dr. Swabey for the co-respondent.

The petitioner, Colonel Pollard, and the respondent, who was formerly a Miss Dysart, are members of good families in Ireland. They were married in February, 1850, the petitioner being then a lieutenant in the Madras Infantry, and in April, 1850, they went together to India. They lived together in different parts of India, and had three children. In 1855 Mrs. Pollard came to England with her daughters for the benefit of her health, and remained until August, 1857, when she rejoined her husband in India. They lived together for the next four years in India, and had a third child, a boy. In 1861 her health again gave way, and she was obliged to pay another visit to England. She arrived in March, 1861, and after staying for some time with her relatives in Ireland she came to London in September, 1862, and took a house in Clifton-road, St. John's-wood. Her children and her sister, Miss Dysart, lived with her. In November, 1863, Colonel Pollard arrived in England and went to the house in the Clifton-road, and found that his wife had left. He received a note from her asking him to meet her at the London-bridge Hotel, and she would explain why she had left the Clifton-road. He went, but he could not find her there, and he heard nothing of her for two or three days, when she wrote another note to him owning that she had deceived him dreadfully and had been untrue to him, and saying that by the time it reached him she would be at sea, hundreds of miles away. She afterwards wrote a very affecting letter to her sister, in which she said she had gone thousands of miles away from home with the man who had loved her, and whom she had loved, sixteen years ago. She added that after all had been broken off between them she had striven to forget him, but she could not fight against her fate. She expressed her deep sorrow for the misery and trouble she had brought on her family, and hoped that her children would be well taken care of. Mrs. Pollock took her son with her, and Colonel Pollock was unable to find them until August, 1864, when he ascertained that Mrs. Pollock and Mr. Hemming were living together as man and wife at Parsloes, near Barking, in Essex. They afterwards removed to Weston-super-Mare, where the citations were served on them. Colonel Pollard has since recovered possession of the child by a writ of *habeas corpus*.

The marriage and cohabitation were proved, and Mr. Pollard Urquhart, M.P., the petitioner's brother, and Miss Dysart and other witnesses were called to show that the petitioner and his wife had always lived on the most affectionate terms, and were apparently very much attached to each other. While he was in India he made her an allowance of £450 a year, and they kept up a constant correspondence. Several extracts from Mrs. Pollard's letters to Colonel Pollard in 1861, 1862, and up to August, 1863, were read, in all of which she addressed him in the most affectionate manner. It also appeared from the cross-examination of Miss Dysart that the respondent and Mr. Hemming had been acquainted before Colonel Pollard was introduced to her, that they became attached to one another, and were engaged to be married, but

that the engagement was broken off before Colonel Pollard's introduction to her. Miss Dysart further stated that a quarrel had taken place between her brother and Mr. Hemming, and Mr. Hemming thereupon discontinued his visits to the house. Mr. Dysart, the brother, introduced Col. Pollard to the respondent, and was anxious that she should marry him. Mr. Hemming was married about the same time as the respondent, and his wife died in 1861. Miss Dysart further proved that when Mrs. Pollard was in England in 1861 she saw Mr. Hemming's name and address in a newspaper, and called on him in Moorgate-street, where he had an office, and was in business as a mining agent. She did not see him, and he called on her the next day. The house which Mrs. Pollard took in the Clifton-road in 1862 was near the house in which Mr. Hemming and his mother lived. Mr. Hemming paid daily visits to Mrs. Pollard in the Clifton-road, but no impropriety of any kind was noticed between them. Colonel Pollard is now about forty-five years of age, Mrs. Pollard about thirty-nine, and Mr. Hemming about forty.

There was no defence to the charge of adultery.

Verdict for the petitioner—Damages £1,000.

Decree nisi, with costs against the co-respondent.

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

CALCUTTA AND SOUTH-EASTERN.

A special meeting of this company was held at the offices, Gresham-house, Old Broad-street, for the purpose of considering, and if approved confirming, the special resolutions passed at the extraordinary general meeting of the 16th February; Mr. J. Borrodale in the chair.

The resolutions in question authorised the directors to borrow on debentures further sums not exceeding £100,000, at a rate of interest not exceeding 5 per cent. per annum, for five years, and to be renewable for a like period at the option of the holders; and the latter were to be allowed to convert the debentures into shares or stock at any time before they became due on giving one month's notice of their intention of doing so.

The resolutions were formally confirmed.

The Chairman said that when they last met he mentioned that an important company was being formed, from which the Calcutta and South-Eastern were likely to receive considerable benefit. That undertaking, the Port Canning and Land Investment Reclamation and Dock Company, had been brought out with success. The capital was £1,000,000, and the shares were now at a very high premium. It was supported by a great many houses in Calcutta, and by a very powerful Bombay interest; and as its objects were to construct works which must necessarily contribute largely to the traffic of the Calcutta and South-Eastern line, he thought the shareholders of the latter company might congratulate themselves upon the formation of the new undertaking. The public in Calcutta had formerly a strong feeling against the company's railway; but he was happy to say that the feeling was now as strongly in favour of it.

A vote of thanks to the chairman and directors concluded the proceedings.

SCINDE.

The report of the directors states that from the opening of the line to the 30th of December, 1863, a net profit of £28,333 was paid to Government in reduction of interest advanced; and on the 30th of June, 1864, a further sum of £3,458 was available for the same purpose. The traffic receipts for the second half of 1861 amounted to £19,361, for the same half of 1862 to £62,837, for the same half of 1863 to £100,463, and for the second half of 1864 to £94,544. During the

half-year ending the 31st of December the average weekly receipts amounted to £1,680, the gross return in the half-year being £43,668. The receipts per mile per week averaged £16, and per train mile about 5s. 6d. The company's officers have had under consideration a revision of the existing rates for conveyance, which appeared to be on too low a scale. The line throughout was in good working order. No accident either to a train or passenger had happened during the half-year. The number of passengers carried was 53,480. Considerable progress had been made with the survey of the country along the valley of the Indus. The chief engineer and staff charged with the survey, on entering the independent State of Bahawalpore, were received with much cordiality by the Khan, who evinced a thorough appreciation of the benefits which the proposed railway would confer upon his territory. The sum of £1,938,819 had been expended on capital account.

During the half-year the vessels of the flotilla had plied regularly, their voyages having been performed with only the trifling casualties incidental to the navigation of the river. The gross earnings of the fleet for the six months ending the 31st of December were about £44,000, and after deducting cost of stores and working expenses there remained about £14,000. The capital expended on the flotilla amounted to £377,496.

PUNJAB.

The report of the directors states that this railway was completed throughout from Umritsur to Mooltan, although not yet opened for public traffic. Upon the 19th of December, 1864, the last rail was laid, and on the 23rd of that month a train was run through from end to end; since that date trains with materials for construction purposes had been running throughout the line. It was confidently anticipated that the line would be opened throughout for traffic in March. The directors had to deplore the great loss which they had sustained in the death of their agent and representative, Mr. Stevens, under whose able and energetic administration this important undertaking had been brought to a successful issue. The total receipts on the section, thirty-two miles in length, open for traffic amounted for the half-year to £8,730, and the working expenses were about 61·6 per cent. of the gross receipts. The expenditure on capital account amounted to £1,897,442.

DELHI.

The directors' report states that the works on this line had been actively commenced. Large quantities of permanent way materials had already been shipped, the contractors being determined to lose no time in pushing on the works. It was intended to carry on operations at both ends of the line simultaneously; and as great facilities of transport would be afforded by the completion of the Punjab Railway, which would place one end of the line at Umritsur in steam communication with the port of Kurrachee, while Ghazeeabad, at the other extremity, was connected with Calcutta by the East Indian Railway, there was every reason to feel assured that the railway would be completed throughout within the term of five years. The capital account showed that £56,024 had been expended to the 30th of September, leaving a balance of £990,907.

NEWSPAPERS AND OTHER PRINTED PAPERS FOR MALTA OR EGYPT, SENT VIA MARSEILLES.

On the 1st April next, the following alterations will take effect in the existing arrangements in respect to newspapers and book packets addressed to Malta or to Egypt.

First.—The combined British and foreign postage on newspapers forwarded to Malta or

Egypt, via Marseilles, and conveyed by British packet, will be twopence for each newspaper not exceeding four ounces in weight, instead of threepence for each newspaper without regard to its weight.

Secondly.—The combined British and foreign postage on newspapers forwarded to Malta, via Marseilles, and conveyed by French packet, will, in like manner, be twopence for each newspaper not exceeding four ounces in weight, instead of one penny for a packet of newspapers not exceeding the weight of four ounces.

Thirdly.—Book packets which can, at present, be sent to Malta via Southampton only, may in future be sent via Marseilles also, and either by British or by French packet, and book packets for Alexandria, Cairo, or Suez, the transmission of which is now also limited to the Southampton route, may in future be sent by the British packets from Marseilles. Printed papers may still be sent to Alexandria by the French mail packets.

The postage chargeable on book packets, or packets of printed papers, sent to Malta, Alexandria, Cairo, or Suez, via Marseilles, will be as follows:—

For a packet not exceeding 4 ozs.	Above 4 ozs. and not exceeding 1 lb.	Above 1 lb. and not exceeding 1 1/2 lb.	Above 1 1/2 lb. and not exceeding 2 lb.	Every additional 1/2 lb.
s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
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This postage must, in all cases, be paid in advance.

BOOKS, &c., FOR SHANGHAI AND OTHER PORTS IN CHINA.—An official notification states that on the 1st of April next, and thenceforward, book packets addressed to Shanghai, Canton, Amoy, Foo-Choo-Foo, Ningpo, Swatow, and Whampoa, may be forwarded by the British mail packet, either via Southampton or via Marseilles, under the same conditions in all respects as book packets addressed to Hong Kong. The charge will then be as follows:—Via Southampton, for a packet not exceeding 4 ozs., 4d.; above, and not exceeding 1 lb., 8d.; above 1 lb., and not exceeding 1 1/2 lb., 1s. 4d.; above 1 1/2 lb., and not exceeding 2 lb., 2s.; every additional 1/2 lb., 8d. Via Marseilles, for a packet not exceeding 4 ozs., 6d.; above 4 ozs., and not exceeding 1 lb., 1s.; above 1 lb., and not exceeding 1 1/2 lb., 2s.; above 1 1/2 lb., and not exceeding 2 lb., 3s.; every additional 1/2 lb., 1s. This postage must, in all cases, be paid in advance.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE ORDER OF THE BATH.—(War-office, March 17).—The Queen has been graciously pleased to give orders for the appointment of the Hon. Sir Frederick W. Adolphus Bruce, K.C.B., late H.M.'s Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Emperor of China, and now H.M.'s Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the United States of America, to be an Ordinary Member of the Civil Division of the First Class, or Knights Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.—(March 18).—The Queen has also been graciously pleased to give orders for the appointment of Colonel George Jackson Carey, of the 2nd Battalion 18th Regiment, to be an Ordinary Member of the Military Division of the Third Class, or Companions of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

RELICS OF TIPPOO SAIB.—The following important additions have been made to the South Kensington Museum:—A table-cover or coverlet, with a white linen ground, embroidered with patterns of flowers, foliage, and animals, and fringed with gold, formerly the property of Tippee Saib. Saddle-cloth, Genoa velvet, embroidered with foliage, in gold thread, formerly the property of Tippee Saib.

CAPTAIN R. BURTON.—It is proposed to give a public dinner to Captain Burton on his leaving England for South America. This event is to come off on Tuesday, April 4.

ASIATIC SOCIETY.—March 6.—Sir E. Colebrooke, Bart., M.P., President, in the chair.—Dr. A. Vambéry gave a lecture on the distinctions between the religious practices of the Eastern and Western Mohammedans. Beginning from a description of the characteristic features which distinguish the religious usages and observances of the Eastern Mohammedans,—such as the great number of flags in towns and on the roads, and the daily practices of the people as to sleeping, travelling, eating, dressing, &c., all of which are regulated and rigorously enforced by religious injunctions,—the lecturer proceeded to give some details about the three orders of priests, viz., the Mollahs, Ishans and Ehl i Takwas, and their respective numbers, course of studies and influence. He observed that the eastern fraction of Islam, through the rigid fanaticism which pervades it, forms almost an especial sect; and that the inhabitants of those parts believe that their country was favoured with the descent of the rain of divine knowledge, by which it became far superior in sanctity to the West and even to Mecca. After tracing the development of this form of Islam from the reign of the Samanides down to the time of the Emperor Timur and his sons, when it reached the climax of its power, he contrasted, in conclusion, with this eastern fanaticism the far more tolerant Mohammedanism in Turkey, which in its greater liberality of thought and less strict religious observances, has yielded to the influence of Christianity and European civilization. Sir Henry Rawlinson drew attention to the great importance of the study of the Mohammedan religion, which is professed by about twenty millions of English subjects in India who, on account of their strong religious prejudices, are far more difficult to deal with than the Hindus. Speaking of the influences of other creeds and observances upon Islam, he mentioned several Mohammedan festivals which were based on Pagan rites. Sir Henry also entered on the question of burials and tombs, as to which many differences exist among the various Mohammedan sects; and at his request Dr. Vambéry described some of the practices current in Central Asia.—*Athenæum*.

H.M.'s 28TH REGT.—The hired troop ship *Tiverton*, Capt. James Smith, belonging to Messrs. Coupland Brothers, and Co., of Liverpool, arrived in Plymouth Sound on Saturday, March 18, with the left wing of the 28th Regiment on board from India. The *Tiverton* left Bombay November 5, and St. Helena, January 18. The troops on board consisted of Capt. Hackett, in command, and Mrs. Hackett, Capt. Ingham, Lieut. Prett, Lieut. Cook and Mrs. Cook, Lieut. Treeve and Mrs. Treeve, Ensign Mackenna, Ensign Smyth, Assist.-Surg. Wilson, M.D., 14 sergeants, 7 drummers, and 274 rank and file. Mrs. Berry and two children, the family of the paymaster of the regiment, were also passengers by the *Tiverton*. Major-Gen. Lord Templetown, Commander-in-Chief of the Western District, visited the troops on board on Saturday, and the troops were subsequently landed by the *Prospero* steamtug, at the Royal William Victualling-yard, whence they marched to their quarters at the Raglan Barracks, Devonport.

BREVET-LIEUT.-COL. W. W. H. GREATHED, C.B., Royal Bengal Engineers, will vacate the appointment held by him at the Horse-guards, shortly after Midsummer, and will be succeeded by Captain and Brevet Col. E. B. Johnson, C.B., Royal Bengal Artillery, late of the Adjutant-general's department in Bengal.

THE LATE GENERAL CLARK.—The Colonelcy of the 59th Regiment is vacant by the death of Major-General John Clark, K.H., who died a few days ago at Brighton. The deceased general was present at the battle of Waterloo, and afterwards served with distinction in India. He was at the taking of Rangoon, Kimendine, Kamaroot, and Mahattee, and was severely wounded in leading the attack on Aracoony.

INDIAN MANUFACTURES.—In order to exhibit to manufacturers, and especially to cotton manufacturers, the wants of our Indian people, Government has collected, at great expense and with much trouble, specimens of all the most characteristic, useful and costly of the native manufactures in cotton, silk and wool. Not only does the collection of these specimens represent every class of fabric now manufactured and worn in India, but it exemplifies the characteristic art of the people of the East in decorating the materials with those admirable patterns and colours which are the inheritance of their race. These patterns and colours are enjoyed by the people; and it will be hopeless to attempt to rival them without an equal knowledge, not only of the mechanical processes of manufacturing the material and copying the patterns, but also of the feeling for art which inspires that decoration. It is felt that, as we buy an enormous quantity of cotton and silk from India, while the people there take only bullion from us in exchange, the balance of trade is against us, and that our manufacturers would secure an ample field if they could enter the Indian market with textile fabrics fit for native use, and decorated in accordance with native tastes. In order, therefore, to enable English manufacturers to study the demands of the Indian market, the collection of textile fabrics and patterns above referred to, which contains twenty specimens of each sort, has been divided into twenty complete sets; the objects have been placed in volumes, each set amounting to eighteen substantial folios, comprising about 700 examples. These sets of eighteen folios each are to be distributed to the leading seats of manufacture in this country, and deposited in the Chambers of Commerce in those localities where they may be consulted by those desirous of information.—*Athenæum*.

CHRONOGRAPHS FOR INDIA.—By an appropriately-named Great Trigonometrical Survey, India is to be surveyed as completely as England or Ireland has been by the Ordnance Survey; and an important part of the operations will be, the determining of differences of longitude. This involves observation of stars, not by the method in use but a very few years ago, which, by relying on the eye, ear, and quickness of apprehension of the observer, left much room for error, but by substituting a chronograph. The observer, as the star traverses the field of his telescope, has only to touch a small ivory key, and on the instant a dot appears on the sheet of paper wound round the barrel of the chronograph. Connect the instrument with an astronomical clock, and you have a dot for every beat of the pendulum, so that the exact time of the passage of a star can be determined to the hundredth of a second. The chronograph by which these results were shown is one of two magnificent instruments constructed in Paris, under the care of Lieut.-colonel A. Strange, expressly for use in India, to which country they are to be forthwith shipped.—*Athenæum*.

SUSPENSION OF AN EAST INDIA FIRM.—The suspension has been announced of Messrs. Smith, Douglas, and Co. (formerly Wm. Grant and Co.), in the East India trade, together with that of their corresponding house at Liverpool, Messrs. James Smith and Co. Losses on produce have been the cause, and the total liabilities are thought to amount to about £400,000, although perhaps not more than £100,000 will ultimately rank on the estate. The general impression seems to be that an unfavourable liquidation must be anticipated. Messrs. Grant, Smith, and Co., of Calcutta, it is said, will not be affected by this suspension.

MOYAR COFFEE COMPANY.—A prospectus has been issued of the Moyar Coffee Company, with a capital of £75,000, in shares of £5, to purchase and cultivate some coffee and tea estates on the western slopes of the Neilgherry Hills.

DEATH OF SIR HENRY POLLARD WILLOUGHBY, M.P.—It is with regret that we announce the sudden demise of Sir Henry P. Willoughby, Bart., M.P. for Evesham. The hon. baronet was discovered by his valet dead in his bed shortly before nine o'clock on Thursday morning, the 23rd inst. He had been dead about an hour, for his body was warm, although his extremities were cold. Dr. Brewer and other professional gentlemen called in were unanimously of opinion that death arose from a diseased heart. The deceased was the second son of Sir Christopher Willoughby, of Bladen House, county Oxford, by his second marriage with Martha, daughter of Mr. Maurice Evans. He was born Nov. 17, 1796, and succeeded to the baronetcy on the death of his brother Sir Christopher, in June 1813. He was unmarried. The hon. baronet was first elected in 1831, for Yarmouth, Isle of Wight, when he advocated the Reform Bill. At the general election in 1832 he was returned for Newcastle-under-Lyne. In 1837 he unsuccessfully contested the borough of Poole, in the Conservative interest; and in 1841 opposed unsuccessfully the present Lord Lyveden and Mr. Raikes Currie for the town of Northampton. He had represented Evesham in the House of Commons since 1847. A vacancy occurs in the representation of that borough. The late baronet is succeeded in the family honours and estates in Oxfordshire and Gloucestershire by his brother, John Pollard Willoughby, who was born in 1799, and married, first, in 1822, Elizabeth, only daughter of Colonel Kennedy, who died in 1852; he married secondly, in 1854, Maria, fourth daughter of Mr. Thomas Hawkes. In 1817 he entered the Bombay Civil Service, and eventually became Chief Secretary to the Bombay Government, and was a member of the local Council from 1846 to 1851, when he retired. In 1852 he was an unsuccessful candidate for Leominster; but in April, 1857, was returned as representative of that borough in the House of Commons. He resigned his seat on being appointed a member of the Indian Council.

DEATH OF SIR GEORGE NICHOLLS, K.C.B.—We regret to announce the death of Sir George Nicholls, K.C.B., which occurred at his residence, 17, Hyde Park-street, on Friday last, in his 83rd year. The deceased entered the East India Company's naval service at the age of fifteen, but left it in 1815, and settled at Southwell, Notts, where he originated those important changes in poor-law administration which he was called upon to apply upon a larger scale when he was appointed a Poor Law Commissioner in 1834. In 1838 he introduced the poor law into Ireland. In 1847 he was appointed Secretary to the Poor Law Commission, and resigned that office through ill health in 1851.

DEATH OF SIR ROBERT SCHOMBURGH.—We (*Athenæum*) regret to have to announce the death of Sir Robert Schomburgk, which took place in Berlin on the 11th inst. It will be remembered that after his famous explorations in British Guiana, Sir Robert was appointed British Consul in St. Domingo, and afterwards Consul-general in Siam. He returned last year to Europe, and has passed the whole winter in Berlin, confined to his bed. In consequence of a circular issued by Dr. Barth, the African traveller, as President of the Berlin Geographical Society, his funeral was attended by a large number of scientific men. He leaves behind him a solid scientific reputation.

MESSERS. J. W. BURSTALL AND CO.—The suspension has been announced of Messrs. James William Burstall and Co., of Mark-lane and Hull, merchants, chiefly connected with Bombay, with liabilities stated at £200,000. The amount of assets has not transpired. The house was a recent one, and an impression seems to prevail that the liquidation will be unfavourable. The books are in the hands of Messrs. Quilter, Ball, and Co.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, March 20.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's screw steamship *Ceylon*, Captain R. W. Evans, sailed hence to-day for Gibraltar, Malta, and Alexandria, with the Calcutta, China, and Australian mails, a full cargo, and 402 boxes of specie, jewelry, &c., value £101,378. 16s.—viz.:—For Mauritius, watches and medals, £60. For Madras, bar silver, £10,000; gold coin, £785; silver coin, £1. 16s.; gold thread, watches, and jewelry, £404. For Calcutta, bar silver, £10,000; watches, jewelry, &c., £516. For Singapore, dollars, £11,500. For Hong Kong, dollars, £29,930; gold thread, jewelry, and watches, £650. For Yokohama, dollars, £1,250. For Foochow, dollars, £2,000; bar silver, £500. For Shanghai, bar silver, £30,600. For King George's Sound, watches, £150. For Hobson's Bay, bar gold, £100; watches and jewelry, £2,294. For Sydney, watches and jewelry, £633. The *Ceylon* takes out forty-five first and thirty-five second-class passengers, and forty-two proceed by the corresponding steamer from Marseilles, making a total of 122. Among them are Lieutenant Molyneux, R.N., Captain R. M. and Mrs. Isacke, for Gibraltar; the Hon. W. A. Kerr, Rev. P. and Mrs. Ausorge, for the Mauritius; Major and Mrs. Marquis, Ensign W. F. Rudman, Captain Theobald, Major C. H. Hallett, Rev. C. Bennett, Captain C. H. Larpet, Captain J. M. Grant, Captain and Mrs. Dunbar, for Calcutta; Captain M. Suther, for Hong Kong, &c.

BILLS ON INDIA.—The biddings for £300,000 in bills on India took place on the 15th inst., at the Bank of England. The proportions allotted were—to Calcutta, £172,600; to Bombay, £102,400; and to Madras, £25,000. The minimum price was, as before, 1s. 11½d. on Calcutta and Madras, and 1s. 11½d. on Bombay. Tenders on Calcutta and Madras at 1s. 11½d. will receive about 13 per cent., and on Bombay at 1s. 11½d. in full; above these prices in full. These terms show a reduction of about ½ per cent. from those paid on the previous occasion, the demand for means of remittance having materially diminished.

SPECIE TO THE EAST.—The India and China mail steamer *Ceylon* takes out a total of £96,672 in specie, of which £785 in gold and £20,002 in silver go to Madras and Calcutta, the residue of £75,885 in silver being for China and the Straits.

CONSULAR APPOINTMENT.—(*Foreign office, March 10*).—The Queen has been graciously pleased to approve of Mr. C. Tatham as Consul at Colombo, Ceylon, for his Majesty the King of the Belgians.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 15. Mauritius, Mauritius.—17. Ocean Empire, Mauritius; Northumberland, Singapore.—19. Bolton Abbey, Calcutta.—22. Earl of Mar, Manila; Kelly, Manila.—26. Sea Belle, Manila; Tiverton, Bombay; Brothers, Mauritius; Olan, Manila; Eastern Province, Mauritius.

DEPARTURES.

March 15. Marlborough, Kurrachee.—16. Shaftesbury, Yokohama; Eclipse, Colombo; Dunphail Castle, Colombo; Forgen Hall, Calcutta; Maggie Atkinson, Colombo; Conus, Yokohama.—17. Blair Athol, Galle.—18. C. H. Soule, Aden.—19. Derbyshire, Bombay; Josephine, Colombo; John Scott, Madras; Peterborough, Shanghai.—22. Simla, Aden; Cleveland, Japan; Carleton, Calcutta; West Derby, Calcutta.—23. War Cloud, Madras; Imitation, Bombay; Prima Donna, Benares; Melverly, Bombay; Catherine Rankin, Bombay.—24. Moorestort, Calcutta; Alumbagh, Calcutta; Patrician, Calcutta; Tiverton, Bombay.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Overland Route, per str. Ceylon from Southampton, March 20.—For Calcutta.—Maj. and Mrs. Manous and two infants, Mrs. W. F. Rudmore, Miss C. Newton, Capt. Theobald, S. H. Leary, Esq. For Madras.—Miss Gordon, Miss Welferston, Mr. R. McKenzie, Mrs. Heath and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Puckle, Mr. A. B. Alston.
Per Overland Route, from Marseilles, per Delta.—For Bombay.—Capt. and Mrs. T. G. Griffith, Mr. L. W. Wood, Mr. A. Campbell, Maj. Crombie, Mr. H. Parker, Mr. R. G. Walton, Mr. R. F. Sandeman, Mr. H. Catwright, Mr. W. F. Turnbull, Mr. D. Moodie. For Alexandria.—Mrs. N. Rogers, Miss Gellatley and two infants, Rev. C. Gray and friend.

Per str. Peluse, from Marseilles, March 19.—For Calcutta.—R. White, Esq., J. MacArthur, Esq. For Singapore.—H. F. Collinwood, Esq. For Hong Kong.—Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Margers. For Galle.—G. B. Sparks, Esq.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

ANDERSON—the wife of Major W. Cousmaker Anderson, H.M.'s Bombay Staff Corps, of a daughter, at 10, Horbury-crescent, Notting-hill, March 19.
COWPER—the wife of Lieut. Cowper, Bombay Staff Corps, of a son, at Paris, March 11.
GLUBB—the wife of John M. Glubb, Esq., 38th Bengal L.I., of a son, at 55, Redcliffe-road, West Brompton, March 21.
LAWFORD—the wife of Francis Lawford, Esq., late 9th Madras N.I., of a daughter, at Cotham, Bristol, March 18.
MALCOLMSON—the wife of John G. Malcolmson, v.c., Lieut. 3rd Bombay Cavalry, of a son, at 17, Kensington-gardens-square, Hyde-park, March 21.
McCLELLAND—the wife of Charles Grey McClelland, Esq., of Singapore, of a daughter, at Trearne House, Ayrshire, March 11.
WEEDING—the widow of the late Thomas Weeding, Esq., Bombay Civil Service, and of Fullbrooks, Malden, Surrey, of a son, at 2, Lower Seymour-street, March 20.

MARRIAGES.

BATES—BRETT.—Major general Henry Bates, commanding South District, Ireland, to Charlotte M., widow of Major general Wm. Brett, Bombay Art., and second daughter of Colonel Kingston Egan, Bombay Army, at St. James's Church, Piccadilly, March 16.
JENKINS—BRYANT.—Edward Gordon Jenkins, H.M.'s Bombay Lancers, fourth son of the late Sir Richard Jenkins, G.C.B., to Marie Annie Augusta, third daughter of the late William Bryant, Esq., at the chapel of the Bavarian Embassy, Warwick-street, March 22.

DEATHS.

BERTHON—Fanny, the wife of Peter Henry Berthon, Esq., of the Forest, Walthamstow, at the residence of her son-in-law, Charles Browning, Esq., No. 4, Gloucester-place, Portman-square, aged 57, March 19.
CURLING—Charlotte, wife of Charles S. Curling, Esq., late of the Bengal Medical Service, at 3, Norland-place, Notting-hill, aged 54, March 20.
CURRIE—Caroline M., relict of Claude Currie, Esq., late Physician-General, H.M.'s Madras Army, at Boulogne-sur-Mer, aged 72, March 8.
DAVIDSON—Anne J., daughter of the late Robert Davidson, Esq., of Calcutta, at 2, Gordon-place, Kensington, March 13.
FAIRHEAD—John Assey Fairhead, Lieut. Colonel, retired list, Bengal Army, at 44, Western Villas, Maida-hill, aged 60, March 16.
FENDALL—Thomas H. Fendall, Esq., son of the late John Fendall, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, aged 43, March 17.
HARRISON—Captain Francis Harrison, late of the 1st Bengal Fusiliers, at Surbiton, March 15.
SILVER—Ellen, daughter of James Silver, Esq., late of the Madras Civil Service, at Blackheath, aged 15 years and 3 months, Jan. 16.
WATTS—Margaret, wife of Captain Robert Watts, retired list, Madras Army, at Nice, March 11.
WILLOCK—Frankie, youngest child of G. B. Willock, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, at 4, Pelham-place, Onslow-square, aged 2½ years, March 11.
WITHECOMBE—Matthew Sidney, youngest child of Dr. Withecombe, late of H.M.'s Indian Army (Bengal), at Richmond, Surrey, aged 7 years, March 18.

India Office,

March 25, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. D. Cunliffe; Mr. P. S. Melville; Mr. P. A. Walker (Uncov.); Mr. J. P. Cromarty (Uncov.); Mr. P. Horden (Uncov.).
Madras Estab.—Mr. W. F. Grahame.
Bombay Estab.—Mr. G. F. Sheppard.

ECCLIASTICAL.

Bengal Estab.—Rev. J. Dawson, Asst. Chaplain, Church of Scotland, on leave for 11 mo., private affairs, March 11.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Major H. Hayley; Lieut. col. R. N. Raikes; Lieut. F. Currie; Lieut. J. M. Trotter; Lieut. R. J. Wimberley; Lieut. col. R. MacLagan; Major J. R. A. S. Lowe.

Madras Estab.—Capt. T. Wakefield; Capt. A. G. Duff; Major E. B. Ramsay; Capt. J. Magnay.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. S. de B. Edwardes; Lieut. G. E. Harris; Capt. C. Macleod; Brigadier gen. J. C. Heath; Capt. N. B. Thoys.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. J. H. Bax, 6 mo.; Mr. R. H. Wallace Dunlop, c.b., 6 mo.; Lieut. G. C. Sconce (Uncov.), 6 mo.; Mr. J. D. Derry (Uncov.), 6 mo.

Madras Estab.—Mr. A. Wedderburn, 1 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Mr. L. H. B. Tucker, 6 mo.; Mr. W. H. Havelock, 5 mo.; Mr. C. Konig (Uncov.), 6 mo.

ECCLESIASTICAL.

Bengal Estab.—Rev. Arthur Stone, M.A., Junior Chaplain, 6 mo.; March 13.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. E. D. H. Vibart, 6 mo.; Lieut. E. D. Smith, 6 mo.; Major G. B. Mainwaring, 6 mo.; Lieut. L. B. J. Davies, 6 mo.; Lieut. J. B. Chatterton, 6 mo.; Major J. P. Briggs, 6 mo.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. G. H. Granville, 6 mo.; Lieut. F. Middlecoat, 3 mo.; Col. H. W. Hitchins, 6 mo.; Lieut. col. J. Cadenhead, 6 mo.; Capt. H. M. Nepean, 6 mo.; Capt. F. Pictet, 6 mo.; Capt. A. Jenkins, 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. A. T. Spens, 6 mo.; Dep. asst. comy. Shore, 6 mo.; Lieut. col. C. F. Grant, 6 mo.; Surg. major F. Broughton, 6 mo.; Asst. surg. R. Boxwell, 6 mo.; Capt. T. P. Walsh, 3 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. F. R. Scarlett (Uncov.); Capt. T. Hill (Uncov.).

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Capt. J. P. A. Theobald; Major J. Marquis; Lieut. col. A. Bagot; Lieut. C. W. Campbell; Major C. T. E. Hallett; Capt. L. de H. Larpent; Lieut. H. Collett.

Madras Estab.—Capt. J. M. Grant; Capt. T. S. Hawkes; Dep. comsy. P. Curley; Major R. Benson.

Bombay Estab.—Asst. surg. R. A. Alleyne.

APPOINTMENT.

Madras Estab.—Rev. Alfred Francis Curwen to be Junior Chaplain; March 26.

TRADE OF SCINDE.—The Commissioner of Customs at Bombay, and the Collector of Customs at Kurrachee, have been engaged in a discussion as to the extent of the trade of Scinde. The Collector at Kurrachee had furnished returns for the year 1863-64 to the Bombay office, which Mr. Inverarity, the Commissioner, thought exaggerated, and he issued a memorandum calling for explanations from Mr. Dalzell, the Collector. The increase in the export trade from Kurrachee to Europe for 1863-64 showed an increase of 80 per cent. over that of the previous year, and this doubling, almost, of the trade in twelve months, led to the sanguine hope in the mind of the Collector at Kurrachee that the province was fast becoming independent of Bombay. In his reply to the memorandum, which reply has now been published, Mr. Dalzell reiterates his assertion that no other port in India, not even Bombay, shows a similar ratio of progress in its trade during, at least, 1862-3. One of the features in the trade of Scinde was that the exports exceeded the imports of the year by Rs. 1,04,47,758, and this, Mr. Inverarity considered abnormal, inferring that Scinde was exporting at a loss. The increase was mainly owing, it seems, to an extension of the cotton trade. Mr. Dalzell naturally replied that the difference was made up in cash, which, affording the sinews of production to the province, went, of course, in most cases, to develop still further its resources. Mr. Dalzell defends his figures by saying that he has generally proceeded upon the tariff rates, which are considerably lower than the market value, at which, however, he thinks he might even have been justified in stating them.—*Bombay Gazette.*

INDIA EXCHANGES.

BANK AND COMMERCIAL BILLS.

	60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.		60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.
Calcutta	1s. 11½d.	1s. 11½d.	Singapore	4s. 8½d.	4s. 9d.
Madras	1s. 11½d.	1s. 11½d.	Hong Kong	4s. 8½d.	4s. 9d.
Romby	1s. 11½d.	1s. 11½d.	Shanghai	—	—
Colombo	½ pm	1s. 0pm.			

STOCKS AND SECURITIES.

Shares.		Paid.	Prices.
£.			
	India Stock, 1874.....		214 to 217
	India 5 per cent.		105 to 110
	India 4 per cent.		98½
	India 4 per cent. 1868 ..		99½
	India Enforced Paper 4 pr. ct.		89
	India 5 p. ct. Enforced Paper		100 to 102
	India Stock, Enfd. Paper, 5½		
	per cent.		108 to 110
	India Stock Debentures, 1859		95½
	India Stock Debentures, 1859		116
	" " " 1863		99½
	" " " 1864		99½
	" " " 1864 or 1866		98½
	India Debentures, do., £1,000		3 dis.
	India 5 percent. for account...		105
	India 5 per cent., 1870 ..		103½ to 104
	India 4 per cent.		99½
	India Loan Scrip 5 per cent.		104½
	India Bonds, 4 p. ct. (£1,000)		15s. pm.
	India Bonds (£1,000)		15s. pm.
	Ditto (under £1,000)		15s.

RAILWAYS.

Stock	Bombay, Baroda, and Central India (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	101½ to 102½
20	Ditto F Shares	2	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Calcutta & S. Eastern (lim.)	100	98 to 100
Stock	Eastern Bengal (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	100 to 101
Stock	East Indian	100	100 to 101
20	Ditto J. Extension	5	
Stock	G. I. Peninsula (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	102 to 103
20	Ditto (New ditto)	13	par to ½ pm.
20	Ditto, New	2	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Great S. of India (lim.) Scrip	100	100½
Stock	Ditto 4½ p. c.	100	99 to 101
Stock	Madras (guar. 4½ per ct.)	100	91
Stock	Ditto 5 per cent.	100	100 to 101
Stock	Ditto (guar. 4½ per cent)	100	93 to 95
20	5th Extension	2	
Stock	Scinde 5 per cent.	100	100½ to 101½
Stock	Ditto India Steam Flotilla		
	(guar. 5 per ct.)	100	97
Stock	Ditto Delhi gua. 5 p. c.	all	100
20	Ditto	2	½ to ½ d.
Stock	Punjab (5 per ct.)	100	99 to 100

BANKS.

100	Agra and Masterman's (L.)	50	120 to 125
50	Do. New issue	25	62
50	Do. issue at 30 pm.	25	60 to 62
40	Australasia	all	75
40	New	all	71 to 72
25	Bank of Egypt	all	32
20	Chart. of Ind., Aus. & China	all	31 to 33
20	Ditto, New	all	
25	Chart. Merc. of India, Lond., and China	all	51 to 53
	New	12½	
25	Commercial Bank of India	all	36 to 39
100	Hindustan, China, & Japan	25	par 2 pm.
100	Do. New issue at 2 pm.	23	½ d. to ½ pm.
100	New Issue at 6 pm., of which 1 pd.	10	2 to 1 d.
50	Imp. Bank of China, India, and Japan	5	
20	Land Mortgage Bank of India	4	½ to 1½ pm.
25	Oriental Bank Corporation	all	57
20	Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi	10	½ to 1½ pm.
25	Ditto New	7½	2 pm.

MISCELLANEOUS.

5	Bombay Gas	all	5½
5	New	3	½ pm.
20	British Indian Tea	14	½ to 1 d.
20	Ceylon	7	2½
50	Credit Foncier of Mauritius	10	4½ to 3½ dis.
50	East India Irr. & Canal	10	2 dis.
50	E. I. Financial	7½	6½
2	Indian Carrying (lim.)	1	½ d. to ½ pm.
20	Mauritius Land Credit (lim.)	2	par to ½ pm.
20	Madras Irrig. and Canal	5	½ to ½
20	Do.	all	19½
20	Mediterran. Ext. Tel. (lim.)	all	4
20	Nerbudda Coal and Iron	5	1 d. par
20	Do. New	2	½ d. to ½ pm.
10	North Assam Tea (lim.)	1	½ pm.
20	Oriental Commercial	7	½ pm.
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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

THE Calcutta Mail of the 23rd of February brings us no further news from Bhootan. It may, therefore, be accepted as certain, that the rumoured evacuation of Buxa, as well as Dewangiri, had no other foundation than a timorous imagination. Nor was it likely that a post held by an entire regiment, supported by artillery, would be abandoned without a determined struggle. So long as the supplies of food and water are not interfered with, there is little danger of any fresh disaster in that direction. It is sufficient, indeed, that in the skirmishes which have taken place two gallant officers, Lieutenants Gregory and Kingscote, of the 3rd Ghoorkas, have been severely wounded. Brigadier General Tombs, accompanied by Major Sankey, R.A., and Captain Owen, H.M.'s 107th Regiment, was to leave Calcutta on the 23rd of last month, and will, doubtless, give a good account of all that opposes his advance into the enemy's country.

Petty disturbances are reported from various points in the interior of India. Armed gangs of Bheels have been giving much trouble, one band having fixed its head quarters in the Rewah territory. The Rajah at first expressed his ignorance of the fact, but subsequently undertook to perform whatever might be required of him.

The Maharajah of Gwalior is spoken of as being somewhat too much addicted to martial parade. And he has gone even further than an idle indulgence in holding reviews and making believe to be independent. There happens to be a small strip of land along the banks of the Chumbul river, which, once upon a time, belonged to the Mahrattas, but is at present under the sway of the Rajah of Dholepore. Scindiah, however, is anxious to rectify his frontiers, adopting the Napoleonic idea of *revindication*. He has, therefore, collected a body of troops, and threatens very terrible things if the land be not given up to him. The Dholepore Chief naturally declines to comply with the uncourteous request; but it is scarcely probable that the British Government will permit its feudatories to go to war on their own account. This little affair, however, may be taken as an illustration of the sort of relations which would speedily exist between neighbouring States were the British supremacy to be overthrown.

On the western side of the Peninsula the Wagheers are again in arms. A small detachment of Beloochees, under Captain Rice, easily drove them out of the open country into the fort of Geer. Two guns and one hundred and fifty men of the 16th N.I. have been pushed forward to reinforce Captain Rice, and enable him to capture the marauders' stronghold.

H.R.H. the Duke of Brabant left Calcutta on the 22nd of February, for China, on board the steamship *Thunder*. The Prince appears to have won golden opinions from all with whom he was brought into contact. A grand ball was given on the 17th by the Bengal Club in honour of his Royal Highness, who had requested to have his name placed on the list of non-resident members. The local papers are now clamorous for a visit from one of our own Royal Princes.

Speculation is rife as to the exact nature of Sir Charles Trevelyan's forthcoming financial statement. That there will be a large deficit is agreed on all hands. The only question is as to the means by which the chasm is to be bridged over. According to the *Friend of India* this necessary

but unpleasant operation is to be performed by raising a loan of ten millions sterling, to be spread over several years. The money, it seems, is required not only to fill up the present gulf, but to provide against an early repetition of such a contingency. A considerable portion of it, moreover, is to be expended on works of irrigation, and a further sum on the improvement of jails, and the construction of barracks for the European soldiers. The loan, it is confidently expected, will be raised on the London Exchange, and in the present state of the money market it ought to be had on easy terms. The improvements contemplated in the new barracks are so admirable that we have much pleasure in giving prominent insertion to the following extract from the Serampore journal:—

"The Government of India, wisely uniting centralisation and local authority, has laid down certain general principles and detailed rules to be observed in the construction of the new barracks, but the local Governments will approve of particular designs, and adapt these rules to the different climates of the Peninsula. These principles will commend themselves to the most ardent sanitary reformers, while they are suited to the necessities of our military position in India. Henceforth, in new barracks, not more than forty-four men in the case of the infantry and artillery, and about sixty-six in the case of the cavalry, are, except in a fort, to be massed under one roof. Not less than sixteen or more than twenty unmarried men are to sleep in the same room. Double-storied barracks alone are to be erected, and their upper floors only used as dormitories. The lower floors will serve as day-rooms and for auxiliary purposes. In forts it may be necessary to build barracks of three stories, but only in hill stations will soldiers be allowed to sleep on the lower floor. Each soldier in the plains is to have ninety, and on the hills seventy-seven superficial feet, so that each may have 1,408 cubic feet of air in the former, and 1,232 in the latter. Only two rows of beds will be allowed in a ward, and all lavatories and other conveniences will be in buildings detached from the barracks. Each married couple is to have a large room, and the married quarters are to be grouped in blocks according to troops and companies, with broad open verandahs in front and behind."

A long list of promotions and alterations of rank amongst the officers of the Staff Corps, and of her Majesty's Indian military forces, will be found in the *London Gazette* of Tuesday, March 28th.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[By Telegraph from Malta.]

CALCUTTA, March 2.

Shirtings dull and declining. Mule twist nothing doing. Exchange on London, 2s. 1½d. Government Securities: Four per Cents., 89½;

ditto Five per Cents., 101½; ditto Five-and-a-Half per Cents., 108½. Freights improving. Discount 13 per cent.

BOMBAY, March 2.

Broach, 355; Dholerah, 340. 7lb shirtings, 9r 2a. Mule twist, 40s. 19a. Exchange on London, 2s. 0½d. Government Securities: Four per Cents., 91; ditto Five per Cents., 103½; ditto Five-and-a-Half per Cents., 109½. Freights unchanged.

The London mail of Feb. 3 arrived here on the 1st inst.

CANTON, Feb. 15.

Grey shirtings and water twist higher. Tea unchanged: Export to date, 109,125,000 lbs. Exchange on London, 4s. 7½d.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 9.

Tea dull. Silk nothing doing: Export, 33,625 bales. Exchange on London, 6.5. Freight dull.

DEPARTURE OF PASSENGERS.—The following passengers left per overland route per *Poonah*, March 27:—From Southampton to Bombay.—Miss Merry, Mr. J. G. Marshall, Mr. G. J. Aitken, Mr. C. C. Budd, Miss Hurst, Mr. G. Cumberland, Mr. J. H. Smith, Mr. Thomas Coote. From Marseilles to Calcutta.—Major C. H. Hallett, Mr. J. Wells, Mr. Groom, the Rev. C. Bennett, Capt. C. H. Larpent, Mr. J. M. Clelland. To Madras, Capt. and Mrs. Dunbar, Mr. N. Denison, Capt. J. M. Grant.

THE 2ND BELOOCHEES, stationed at Shanghai, spent New Year's Day in a series of athletic contests with the sailors of H.M.S. *Scylla*. Sepoys strove with sepoys, and sailors with sailors. The Beloochees enjoyed races, a sack steplechase, wrestling, and throwing heavy weights, and were rewarded by dollars and turbans. The sailors, besides racing, had such games as "dollar-hunting in the dark," "bell in the ring," "race across the tight-rope," "greased pole," and "Siamese twin race."

THE UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF POONA is to be wound up, and the books made over to a new club about to be established there. Sir W. Mansfield did his utmost to foster the institution, and more than one good series of lectures was delivered in it. But the insolvency has seized it, and the officers, for whose benefit it was intended, are likely to seek a stimulus to study Indian history and the military art in the establishment of a magazine.

KHELAT.—Our Paper states that the Khan of Khelat, aided by his feudatory, the Jam of Beyla, is about to coerce another feudatory, the chief of Ketch Mekran, who has thrown off his allegiance. The chief is doubtless instigated by Persia, who has always desired the Mekran coast and claimed the port of Gwaleh. We are glad to hear that the present imbecile Khan has resolution enough to leave his capital.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

H.M.'s FORCES.—Col. H. Madox, H.M.'s 6th Inniskilling Dragoons, at Bath, March 18, aged 62. Lieut. Col. C. Bailey, Royal Eng., at Hertford, March 19, aged 62. Lieut. G. Sweeting, H.M.'s 7th Foot, at Huntingdon, March 20, aged 69. Capt. A. S. Miles, Royal Art., at Hounslow, March 20, aged 72. Capt. S. Barnes, Royal Art., at Woolwich, March 20.

BENGAL.—Maj. Hugh Hayley, Bengal Staff Corps, at Brightling Rectory, Sussex, March 18, aged 38. Sir George Nicholls, K.C.B., in Hyde-park-street, March 24. Lieut. A. J. W. Cumming, Bengal Eng., at Darjeeling, from exposure in Bhootan, Feb. 5.

Passengers by the present Mail.

FOR MARSEILLES.—From CALCUTTA.—Mr. R. Smith, Mrs. C. S. Hogg and infant, Mr. G. H. Wright, Paymr. O'Dowd, Mr. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Sneed, Capt. Atlay, Mrs. Watson and child, Mrs. Shakespear and infant, Mrs. Apear and two children, Mr. C. Currie.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. Messina, April 2.—From CALCUTTA.—Mr. and Mrs. Keavey and two infants, Mrs. N. R. Sneyd, Mrs. Gill and infant, Mrs. Baylis and four children, Surg. maj. Hutchinson, Mrs. Agnew and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Heckle and two children, Mrs. Preston and two children, Mrs. Osborne and two infants, Mrs. Bauman and three children, Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Brumfield and three children, Dr. Chesnaye.

BENGAL.

THE CONTRACT BILL.

When introducing the Labour Contract Bill in the Bengal Council, on Saturday, Feb. 18, the Hon. Ashley Eden read the following extract from a report submitted by the Bengal Government to that of India:—

"These reports conclusively show that the relations now existing between the planters of Assam, Cachar, and Sylhet, and the labourers imported by them into those districts, are on a most unsatisfactory footing, and that the interests of the labourers as much as those of the planters urgently demand the interference of Government. It is obvious that a serious and growing evil has sprung up which must be dealt with vigorously and promptly. The Lieutenant-governor is of opinion that when labour is imported into a district from a distant part of the country, and at a considerable expense, some effectual steps should be taken to prevent such breaches of contract by the labourers as are now represented to be of almost daily occurrence in these districts, and that, where Government interferes in regard to the protection of the labourer in entering into a contract, the planter has a right to look for some protection of his interests in regard to that labourer. It being admittedly right that the Government should interfere to regulate the interests of planters and labourers at the earliest stage of their connection, it is necessary that this interference should proceed one step further, and that instead of ceasing the moment the labourer arrives in the district in which he is to be employed, and leaving the planter without any real remedy against defaulters, it should, as in the case of colonial emigration, continue so long as the contract under which the labourer is introduced into the district is current. That the further protection of Government is also required by the labourer is clear from all the reports of the commissioners. It is certain that in frequent cases these men, instead of obtaining the rates of wages in expectation of which they incur the risks and dangers of distant service, are actually in receipt of wages considerably lower than those current in the immediate neighbourhood of their homes. The natural consequences are those which always attend unwilling labour. Careless indifference to the interests of the master; sullen idleness and apathy; constant attempts to abscond, and sometimes even violence to the employer. The remedy for this is to provide that every contract shall secure to the labourer some intelligible minimum of wages at a monthly rate, allowing him, however, to earn what he can by extra task work according to the terms of his contract. At present the labourer has no means of calculating what he is likely to be able to earn. A tariff of task work is shown him in Calcutta, and in entire ignorance of the nature of the work he accepts the terms offered; but on arriving at the plantation he finds that under this tariff he is unable to earn so much as he would have received in the immediate neighbourhood of his own home. He considers that he has been imposed upon, and that he is therefore at liberty to break the conditions of his own contract at will. The planter may say that he would willingly pay a fair rate of wages for an ordinary day's work, but that, under existing circumstances, the labourers do not perform an ordinary day's work, and if they did their task payment would ensure them a sufficient rate of pay. But this objection will be removed if the Law be amended so as to compel the protected labourer to perform his work and to provide a sufficient penalty for wilful neglect of work, breach of contract, or abscondment. It cannot be denied that both planters and labourers urgently require protection, and it is impossible to give it to one without also giving it to the other. This protection his Honour proposes to give by introducing into the Bengal Council a Bill which he believes will entirely meet the evil complained of, and will give complete satisfaction to both parties. As, however, the matter is so important, and bears so strongly on the vexed question of a Labour Contract Law, I am directed to submit a rough sketch of the proposed Bill for the information of the Government of India. His Honour will be glad to be favoured with an early expression of the views of his Excellency in Council on the subject, as it is his intention to bring the Bill, if approved by the Government of India, before the Council at its next meeting. The Lieutenant-governor is inclined to employ a special protective agency for the labourers, and to appoint one Protector of Labourers in Cachar, and two in Assam,

for that purpose, provided means can be devised for doing this at the expense of those interested in the supply of labour to those districts. This portion of the subject is still under consideration."

So far as we can learn, there is very little in the Bill (to provide for the regulation of coolie contracts) to alarm even the most tender-hearted. It will contain stringent provisions for supervising the recruiting of coolies, so strict, in fact, that any recruiter bringing a coolie from one district to be examined before a magistrate in another, will be heavily fined, the fine to be devoted to the re-conveyance of the labourer to the district whence he was brought, and no contract will be considered valid unless a minimum rate of wages is fixed upon, to be fixed from time to time to each district by the Lieutenant-governor. The transference of contracts in case of the death of the employer will be duly arranged for, and there will also be a provision for the transference of a contract from one employer to another, both parties concerned consenting. Hospital accommodation is to be provided for one in every ten labourers, and if there be more than three hundred on any estate the proprietor will have to place in medical charge thereof at least one medical officer, holding a diploma from some Indian or European collegiate institution authorised to grant diplomas, under a penalty in both instances of a sum not exceeding Rs. 500. For the further protection of coolies Protectors of Labourers will be appointed in such numbers and in such places as the Lieutenant-Governor may think fit, the expenses of their maintenance to be defrayed by a levy upon the planters, and these protectors will be empowered to receive complaints from the labourers, and inquire closely into them, assisted in their labours by clear and precise returns, to be supplied by the proprietors or managers of estates, under a penalty up to Rs. 500 in any case of incorrectness. The protectors will also make personal tours, and be allowed, as well as the magistrate of the district or any other authorised officer, to inspect the hospitals and lines provided for labourers, and, above all, in their hands will be vested the power of modifying or suspending a contract in case of sickness or necessary family duties, the latter being capable of the widest possible construction. The manager of an estate who may compel any labourer so incapacitated to do any work for which he shall have been at the time unfitted will be fined Rs. 250; if it be shown that he has withheld the wages of any labourer for a period of more than two months, the contract will at once be cancelled; and he will not be permitted to make his labourers work on Sunday, or for more than six consecutive hours on any of the other six days of the week. Surely all this is protection enough for the labourer to satisfy even Lord Shaftesbury in his most philanthropic mood. And what are the penalties he will have to undergo for any fault on his side? Absence without cause will be punished by the loss of all claim to wages or allowances during the period of such absence, and the forfeiture to his employer of one anna out of each rupee of his monthly wages for each day during which such absence may continue. In case such absence shall have exceeded seven days, or the labourer have been already convicted of the same offence within a period of six months, the labourer will be further sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for fourteen days. Negligence or indolence will also be punished by forfeiture of wages, and, on a second conviction within six months, by rigorous imprisonment for fourteen days. Desertion, or attempt to desert, will, after the closest investigation by the district magistrate, be punished by rigorous imprisonment for a period not exceeding three months for the first offence, and not exceeding six months for any subsequent offence. If, however, the labourer shall have been wrongfully brought up, his employer will have to pay a fine up

to Rs. 500; persons who may knowingly entice labourers to desertion will also be fined up to Rs. 500, but no labourer will be punished under the proposed Act if he can prove that his wages have not been paid for two months, or that he has been beaten, illegally confined, or maltreated. It will, however, be provided that no conviction will be held to operate as a release, and at any time previous to the expiry of a sentence an employer may apply to have the labourer made over to him to complete his contract, the magistrate making him over and cancelling the remainder of his sentence. This last provision is, in fact, nearly a specific performance clause, and almost causes wonder why the penal clauses are thought necessary. Anyhow, the employer will have the option of keeping his recalcitrant labourer in prison or taking him out to complete his contract. The majority will probably choose the latter course, and this ought certainly to remove the objection to the "Criminal breach of contract" existing at home. But in spite of that objection, whether the Bill be considered too partial to one side or the other, there should certainly be no longer delay in introducing it into the Bengal Council, where it can be discussed and exposed to the all-powerful ordeal of public opinion. What with deserting coolies, and the two or three black sheep among the planters, the state of Assam and Cachar is disgraceful to such a Government as Mr. Beadon is trying to have that of Bengal regarded, and some law or other can alone remove the slur. There is no occasion for any favour for either party; all that can be expected, all that can be wished, is a law that shall compel the labourer to give a fair day's work without indolence or neglect, and the employer a fair day's wage without violence or ill-treatment.—*Englishman*.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A FAMILY QUARREL.—It will be in the recollection of our readers that Calcutta was scandalised some time back with the report of differences having arisen between the ex-King of Oude and his son, because the latter had visited the Viceroy without his father's consent. We now learn the result of the family disagreement. Ahmed Ally, feeling himself injured by his father, is anxious to visit England, to lay before her Majesty a complaint that in consequence of his visit to the Viceroy his father has refused to assist him in any way whatever. The Indian Government cannot, without departing from a wholesome practice, interfere in such petty cases. To do so would only make it a party to every petty intrigue which might disturb for a day or two the usual lazy life of native court. Ahmed Ally has, therefore, reasoned himself into the belief of the necessity for invoking the aid of the Secretary of State. The relation between the family of the Nawab Nazim and that of Ally Nuckee Khan, and the approaching departure of the sons of the former for Europe, would seem to have suggested, if not the idea, the means of carrying it out. Ahmed Ally is anxious to join the party, and so secure for himself the opportunity of pouring his tale of woe into the sympathetic ear of Sir Charles Wood. There are, however, two parties to be consulted in the matter. The Nawab Nazim, if he be wise, will carefully eschew any such connection as this would imply, and the Government will do well to set its face against any such enterprise on the part of the heir apparent of his Majesty of Oudh.—*Hurkaru*.

EAST INDIA IRRIGATION AND CANAL COMPANY.—The value of lands required for canals to be made by the East India Irrigation and Canal Company has been estimated at Rs. 2,29,440 in the Midnapore District, Rs. 69,000 in the Hoogly, and Rs. 14,000 in the Cuttack. But it is expected that only 2½ lacs will be disbursed during 1865-66.

THE PAPER CURRENCY.—Statement of the amount of Government Currency Notes in circulation, of the amount of Coin and Bullion Reserve, and Government Securities held by the Department of Issue of Paper Currency:—

Circles of Issue.	Notes in Circulation.	Silver Coin Reserve.	Silver Bullion Reserve.	Government Securities held in Calcutta.	Gold Coin Reserve.
	Ra.	Ra.	Ra.	Ra.	Ra.
Calcutta Circle	2,90,94,920	1,06,31,775	46,00,000	1,38,63,145	...
Allahabad Branch Circle	17,52,410	10,51,740	...	7,00,000	670
Lahore Branch Circle	11,27,050	6,23,890	...	5,00,000	1,160
Nagpore Branch Circle	3,01,350	1,60,650	...	1,50,000	700
Madras Circle	54,00,000	18,96,137	...	85,03,863	...
Calcutt Branch Circle	1,09,560	1,09,560	...	...	...
Trichinopoly Branch Circle	1,28,150	1,28,150	...	...	...
Vizagapatam Branch Circle	61,340	61,340	...	...	...
Bombay Circle	3,60,00,000	1,59,71,997	30,00,000	1,70,28,003	...
Deduct—	7,39,74,780	3,06,27,239	76,00,000	3,57,45,011	2,530
Notes of other circles cashed at Head Office	43,960	43,960	...	...	...
Total	7,39,30,820	3,05,83,279	76,00,000	3,57,45,011	2,530

OPIMUM SALE.—The following is the result of the opium sale held on Feb. 10 on behalf of H.M.'s Government:—

	Cheats.	Highest.	Lowest.	Average.	Proceeds.
Behar	2,920	900	850	890-3-8½	25,99,475
Benares	2,435	830	820	826-1-8½	20,11,576

Compared with the sale held on Jan. 10 this gives the following results:—

Behar	Cheats, the same.
Benares	300 cheats increase.
Behar	Rs. 35 increase on the highest price.
Benares	Rs. 50 " " "
Behar	Rs. 25 increase on the lowest price.
Benares	Rs. 65 " " "
Behar	Rs. 31-8-4½ increase on the average.
Benares	Rs. 65-1-7½ " " "
Behar	Rs. 92,050 increase on the total proceeds.
Benares	Rs. 1,34,475 " " "

This gives a total increase on the proceeds of the sale of Feb. 10 of Rs. 2,26,525. We may remark, however, that the highest price is still Rs. 100 below Sir Charles Trevelyan's estimate.

ARGUMENTUM AD HOMINEM.—Sir Charles Trevelyan's advice to the servants of Government, clamouring for more pay, is "that they should endeavour to adapt themselves to the altered circumstances of the times." This was particularly strong from the members of a department, every individual of which, save the chief, draws twice or three times as much pay as he received from Government four years since. The Bombay people in turn urge on Sir Charles to go over to Bombay with his staff, and show how his counsel is to be followed. One of them, a little more personal than the rest, illustrates his meaning by retailing an old anecdote:—"Sir Charles Trevelyan should be invited to come among us for six or eight months, to realise for himself the salary of his demand and supply adjusting machine—just as a gallant colonel of the Bombay Artillery served our Auditor-general some years ago. The colonel was so extravagant as to allow his establishment of six Europeans to occupy quarters at the enormous outlay of Rs. 24 per month. Auditor fumed, retrenched, and said, 'Live in tents.' The colonel quietly replied, 'Thermometer in tents 126 deg.; come up and try it yourself!' Not a word more was heard about living in tents in April in the Punjab after this."

BOMBAY CIVILIANS IN THE CENTRAL PROVINCES.—A question arose recently as to the employment of Bombay civilians in those districts of the Central Provinces where Mahratti is the vernacular language. The proposition proceeded originally from the Bombay Government. It was suggested that young civilians from that Presidency should be made available for employment in the Central Provinces. We believe, however, there is only one district in which Mahratti is the vernacular dialect, and even in that district Urdu disputes with it the palm of being the popular dialect. Urdu is well understood all over the Central Provinces, as was to be expected. It has also to be borne in mind that the administration of the Central Provinces has been framed upon a Bengal model. This renders it highly undesirable to introduce officers trained under a different system, as, if such a plan were carried out, it could scarcely fail to be productive of inharmonious working of the machinery of Government. Again, very few civilians would be required. The Mahratti districts comprise not more than four deputy commissionerships, and to supply their places, allowing for accidents, furloughs, &c., probably not more than one Bombay civilian would be required every year. The old question was brought to the notice of the Supreme Government by Mr. Temple. In reply, he has been informed that the neglect of the present officers of Nagpore to acquire a knowledge of Mahratti might be remedied by Rule XI. for the examination of assistants. There is no need to apply to Bombay for Mahratti-speaking civilians. The Government are of opinion that were the above rule enforced, some arrangement might be made whereby officers serving in the districts where it is the dominant language might be required to acquire a sufficient colloquial knowledge of Mahratti. The rule insists upon the proficiency for all practical purposes of an assistant in the vernacular of the district in which he may be serving. We note that the Government seem to be directing a large share of their attention to the subject of the acquisition by their officers of a good colloquial knowledge of the native tongues.—*Bengal Hurkaru*.

"REA" DEPOSITS.—The *Lahore Chronicle*, writing after the recent rains, represents the prospects of the crops in the Punjab as far from cheering. Thousands of acres of land prepared for seed remain fallow for want of rain. In irrigated districts the soil has been made barren by deposits of *Rea*, the alkaline matter of which we (*Friend of India*) wrote last year. The writer thinks that this deposit is raised to the surface from a lower situation by the carelessness of the cultivators, who deluge their land with water instead of ploughing it deeply. The surface water gradually penetrates to the soda stratum, and when communication is complete the soda rises to the surface by capillary attraction. This is an ingenious theory, and seems to us much more correct than that which holds that the canal water contains the soda. The *Rea* deposit does not appear for a year after the land has first been irrigated. The land should be subsoiled and manured, but the careless plan is too dear to the peasant's heart for him to be convinced of this.

THE MEDICAL SERVICE.—The Government would seem to have determined upon some definite action in medical matters. We observe that a committee is to be formed at Lahore, to prepare and submit to Government a list of all medical appointments, civil and military, other than administrative or regimental, showing their present emoluments and consolidated salary. The committee will be composed of the following officers:—F. Cooper, Esq., Commissioner, President; Dr. Butler, Inspector-general of Hospitals; Dr. Scriven, Principal, Lahore Medical School; Dr. C. M. Smith, civil surgeon, Lahore.

CHOLERA IN THE 24-PERGUNNAHS.—Mr. McNeile, the joint magistrate on special duty in the districts of 24-Pergunnahs and Midnapore, has been sending in his report to the Government of Bengal on the measures adopted for checking the progress of epidemic cholera. Accompanied by Drs. Switzer and Bow, and a staff of native medical assistants, he visited Tumlook, Diamond Harbour, and Kedgerce, where he found that cholera had much abated. At Hidgellee, however, the disease was raging with more or less violence over the whole country between the Russoolpore River and the sea, and to the westward more than half way to the Midnapore and Jellapore-road. Certain spots were instantly selected, at which some of the native assistants were located. The cholera first appeared at Fort Mornington and Paroalpara on the Roopnarain, then travelled southward to Mysadul, broke out with violence in the Diamond Harbour sub-division, and fell with great severity on Kedgerce. Travelling still in a southerly direction, it is now on its way to Midnapore. We are glad, however, to observe that, in the opinion of the medical gentlemen attached to the expedition, a decided check will now be put to the ravages of the epidemic. There has not been any satisfactory means for estimating the mortality which has occurred since the outbreak of the disease, but the deputy-magistrate of Diamond Harbour believes that 10,000 deaths have occurred in his sub-division. He admits, however, that this is but a guess. It must not be overlooked that cholera is a regular visitor in those districts every year about January and February. The distress of body and mind produced by the cyclone of the 5th October last is quite sufficient to account for its unusual severity and its early appearance in the present season. —*Hurkaru.*

THE MAHARAJAH OF GWALIOR having consulted his astrologers about the aspects of the times, was informed by the assembled sages that some bad days were coming. It seems that although his Highness is a Hindoo, he has a high respect for the Mahomedan religion, and in trouble will as readily seek whatever consolations it can afford a wealthy "infidel" like him, as rely on the prayers of his Brahmins. On the occasion to which we allude, he has divided his favours equally between the Pundits and Moulvies. Here is an account of what took place. Three hundred and eight Pundits were ordered by his highness, the Maharajah, to recite their *Bhagout*, each to finish it in seven days, and two hundred Moulvies their Koran. The kotwals of Gwalior and Lushkur were ordered to proclaim by beat of the tom-tom that during those seven days no butchers and liquor sellers were to open their shops. The inhabitants of Gwalior and the Lushkur were desired by the Maharajah to come and hear the *Kutba* or the *Bhagout*. Each Pundit was allowed one silk *dhotee* and a shawl to cover him while repeating his *Bhagout*. Twenty-five maunds of different sorts of eatables were cooked and distributed every day. His Highness the Maharajah and all his courtiers and officers went to attend to hear the *Bhagout*. On the 10th February the recital of it was finished, and a royal salute of twenty-one guns was fired at noon of that day. Cash was then presented to each of the Pundits, and they were dismissed. After the ceremony was over, another salute of twenty-one guns was fired. One hundred rupees were also given by the Maharajah to each of the Moulvies. —*Hurkaru.*

THE LAST OF THE SETTS.—When the English arrived in Bengal few families occupied a higher position than that of the rich Marwarree banker, Jugget Sett. His wealth was so enormous that it has passed into a proverb amongst the natives. Armed with the power of the purse, he was able to treat with the Nazim, on the one hand, and with the English on the other, making himself equally useful and

equally necessary to both, one of the stipulations of the treaty with Jaffer Ally being that Jugget Sett should be chief of the Exchequer. The old banker's name, too, passed into a title, and as far as appearances went he had founded a family, which took its place easily and naturally amongst the nobles of the land. It has been remarked that with the exception of the Delhi monarch and the chiefs of Rajpootana, the English raj is one of the oldest in the country. Nothing was more remarkable in the latter years of the Mogul Monarchy than the way in which families shot into importance. A Persian adventurer became in a few years a Viceroy, a *beau sabreur* a potentate who held the destinies of India in his hand. But if the decadence of the Moguls saw India become the land of petty sovereigns, the rise of the English has, in spite of pensions and stipends, seen these families sink by a gradual process, under the combined influences of Oriental pride and Oriental luxury to the ranks from which they sprang. Jugget Sett's last descendant died in December, after a long life, notorious only as a voluptuary, and with him, of course, has ceased the family greatness. He enjoyed a pension of Rs. 1,200 per mensem, but this was not sufficient for his wants, and there is reason to believe he left heavy debts behind him. He left also an adopted son, Sett Gopal Chand, and this young man applied to Government for the family pension and title. It has, however, been ruled, and very properly, that the title and pension have died with their last possessor. The young man has some fortune, and the cessation of his connection with Government will, we hope, act as a spur to induce him to make an effort to escape from the life of sloth and luxury which would seem to be the fate of all stipendiaries. The Government have, however, taken up a recommendation made by the Court of Directors in 1844, and have allowed Kishen Chand, brother to Govind Chand, the last Jugget Sett, the handsome sum of Rs. 800 per mensem, for the support of himself and the other members of the family. This pension is, however, only for the lifetime of the present recipient, and on its reversion to Government the connection of the family with Government will finally cease. —*Hurkaru.*

CABOOL.—The Ameer is making preparations for his campaign against Candahar; but he is badly off for money, and is compelled to apply a little pressure on those about him to replenish his exchequer. Among those selected for the operation are the wives of the late Ameer Dost Mahomed; but the poor creatures swear they would rather starve than advance anything more to their sovereign and chief. The seige of Candahar will try his resources to the utmost. Ameen Khan writes to Sirdar Afzal Khan a letter (which got intercepted), saying that he had 20,000 men in the fort, with one year's ammunition and provision. The Ameer's own supporters are wavering. Futeh Mahomed, who holds Toorkistan, has declared for Ubdalrahman Khan, and has invited him to come over and take possession of the province. The Barukzai chieftains have been disgusted with the Ameer's conduct towards all his brothers, and his confidence in counsellors who keep them away from him.

NEW SYSTEM OF AUDIT AND ACCOUNT.—Under the new system of audit and account, introduced experimentally in Bengal, the several districts in the Lower Provinces have been divided into two classes, and officers incurring petty charges will be allowed permanent advances according to the following scale:—

	First class district.	Second class district.
Collectors...	50	25
Magistrates...	100	50
Officers in charge of jails...	100	50

Out of these advances officers will pay petty expenses, and recover the amounts monthly or oftener, if necessary, by submitting a bill to the Treasury officer. It has been further de-

aided that every officer who regularly incurs contingent expenses on the public service will, at the beginning of each year, obtain a general sanction for the expenditure of the year, limited in regard to numbers, rates, or aggregate amount as the controlling officer may consider expedient. This sanction will be communicated to the Treasury officer, as well as the officer concerned, and the latter will then be paid the amount of his monthly bills for contingent expenses, within the sanctioned limit without pre-audit, and without the previous countersignature of the bills by the controlling officer of his department. An abstract of the bill, duly receipted, is to be sent with the cash account, but the bill is to be sent to the controlling officer who has the check of the contingencies of any particular department. This officer will, without delay, examine, countersign, and transmit the bill to the Accountant-General, who, in the event of any retrenchment, will recover the same from the succeeding payment, or otherwise as he may deem proper. Thus, under the new system, contingent bills will be payable on presentation.

A FURIOUS ELEPHANT.—The *Delhi Gazette* describes a shocking accident that occurred at the Taj Mehal. The Rajah of Jodhpoor paid a visit to that building on an elephant, and had just dismounted, standing by him, when the animal got very restive, attacking immediately a sweetmeat seller close to him. He tore the poor fellow to pieces, the mahout actually being obliged to encourage the ferocious beast in his diabolical attack, to ensure the safety of his own life. Not content with leaving the man in a mangled state, on seeing him slightly move the beast deliberately went up to him and sat on him, remaining there as if to assert his supremacy over the helplessly-crushed one. The Rajah being afraid more damage might ensue, sent sowars out in every direction to warn people not to come that way, and procured from his camp three other elephants, by which means they were enabled to capture the one which had behaved in so unruly a manner, and led him away to camp. The man injured died on the spot. The Rajah, as some recompense, gave his widow Rs. 800 immediately, and settled a life-pension on her in addition, thus atoning, as far as possible, for the irreparable injury done to the unfortunate vendor of sweets.

DELHI.—In spite of modern neglect, and the policy which would, if it could, blot out the very name of the imperial city from the map of the empire, its vitality seems wonderful. Even now it draws to itself some of the influences which, purely of Western origin, are contributing to the general prosperity, and causing a new day to dawn all over India. Unwonted vigour has been infused into the commercial life of Delhi by the extraordinary activity of the cotton trade, and it has become a great centre for the screwing business. According to a news writer in the *Englishman*, everybody who has a few hundred rupees to invest is joining in some cotton screw press or spinning company, and all day long these machines scream and creak, the shouting of the coolies at work propelling the screws like windlasses combining to render them a perfect nuisance. In all directions inside the city may be seen "upper stories" for the reception of these screw presses (as the horizontal ones have not yet been erected in Delhi), and what with their noise, and the demoniacal screaming of pigeon flyers, the utter confusion and impossibility of hearing oneself speak are most annoying, and remind one strongly of the days of May, 1857, when Delhi city was almost, if not quite, as noisy.

WELLESLEY.—The important province of Wellesley, on the mainland opposite Penang, where there are so many English settlers, suffered from drought as much as India up to the middle of January. The rice crop will be very small.

DOINGS AT DEIG.—There has been a large pic-nic during the week at Deig, given by the officers of the Queen's Bays. It commenced on last Tuesday morning, and continued until Thursday night. About fifty persons assembled together. A long table in the beautiful hall was spread all day, for breakfast, tiffin, and dinner. Games of all kinds were kept up during the day. The band of the 2nd Dragoon Guards was in attendance, and each evening concluded with a dance. The scene called to mind the Decameron of Boccaccio, although the party in the latter consisted of only a select few, and their entertainment was more of a literary and intellectual kind. In both cases also there was plague in the vicinity. It is needless to repeat that Deig, itself is well worth visiting for its own sake, with its elaborate carving, its numerous minute little apartments, and its curious zig-zag passages which lead to nothing, unless, indeed, like the labyrinth at Hampton Court, they may lead to some bewilderment and amazement. Thursday at Muttra was to have been the evening for a theatrical representation on return to the station, but some principal parties not making their appearance the day was changed to Friday. The bill included a choice selection of favourite pieces, dancing, serenading and singing.—*Delhi Gazette*, Feb. 20.

WET DOCKS FOR CALCUTTA.—At their third sitting the Hooghly and Wet Docks Committee came to the conclusion that wet docks in Calcutta are as likely to be useful and as able to pay a sufficient dividend on the capital sunk on them as docks in any other port; that wharves and jetties, with suitable precautions against scour, might be constructed in the river bank, and that private companies should be encouraged to undertake both docks and wharves. Mr. C. Henfrey, of the firm of Messrs. Brassey and Co., late contractor's agent for the construction of the Eastern Bengal Railway, was examined. He recommended the construction of wet docks at Kidderpore. He would dispense with wharf walls for the docks, and have earthen slopes to the basin, with jetties at intervals. In a dock which he constructed at Chitpore the water deposited one foot of mud a week; dredging machines must therefore be constantly employed, and water must be constantly let in to the docks. They would not be unhealthy, for the water deposits with the silt all offensive matter. He thought no company would undertake the work without a 5 per cent. guarantee either from the State or a river trust.

ROTATION OF CROPS.—A special report to the Bengal Government by the Agricultural Society of Calcutta states that no general system of rotation of crops prevails among the Bengal peasantry, though in many districts the advantages of ceasing for a time the cultivation of cereals are appreciated. The system of land assessment is assigned as the probable reason why ryots do not give their fields the complete rest which is afforded by a clean fallow. How so, in a permanently assessed and zemindaree district? The replies of the various planters and officials consulted show that the reason is the ignorance and consequent laziness of the *chassa* population. If Mr. Beadon would follow up his praiseworthy shows by extending vernacular education, the peasantry would become intelligent enough to see that proper cultivation will enrich them. In many districts of the North-West, such as Saharunpore, the rotation of crops is the rule. Wheat, gram, and barley succeed each other as spring crops; and jowar, oord, bajra, mote, and dal, as autumn crops. Cotton is frequently sown with the dal, and it very frequently follows sugar.

NATIVE WIDOW REMARRIED.—From the *Indian Mirror* we learn of another Brahmin widow marriage. Baboo Chundy Churn Singh, of Calcutta, has been united in holy

wedlock with Sreemutty Berajmohiny Dossee, an accomplished widow girl of Kishnaghur, brought up in the local girls'-school. The marriage was celebrated with great *clat* at Kishnaghur, on the 31st January, in accordance with the nuptial ritual of the Brahmo Somaj. The entire gentry of the place, from the nephew of his Highness the Maharajah and his minister to the teachers and advanced students of the college, numbering nearly four hundred persons, were present on the occasion. Some of the respectable native ladies of the place are said to have taken an active interest in the matter.

EXTENSION OF THE JURISDICTION OF CALCUTTA POLICE MAGISTRATES.—During the past year a Bill was introduced by his Honour the Lieutenant-governor in the Council of the Governor-general, proposing the extension of the jurisdiction of the police magistrates of Calcutta in respect of the provisions of the penal code regarding public health. His Honour, in his introductory speech, laid stress on his recent order to the justices of the peace for Calcutta for the suppression of burning ghats within the precincts of the town, and expressed a determination to carry out his order, notwithstanding the protest of the justices based on religious grounds. This circumstance caused a general alarm among the native community of Calcutta as to the real scope of the Bill, and the committee accordingly felt it their duty to represent to the Governor-general in Council the feelings of alarm and apprehension which the measure had occasioned. The Bill has since passed into law, but it has not, the committee are glad to notice, been applied to burning grounds on the banks of the Hooghly.

LAW IN THE PUNJAB.—Can anything be more anomalous, or derogate more from the Queen's supremacy in India, than the fact, mentioned by the *Pioneer*, that a gang of coiners in the Punjab, who have been for six months suffering imprisonment to which they were sentenced by the Umballa Court, have been released by the Judicial Commissioner on the ground that the coin was not "current of the realm," but recognised as current only in the territories of the Rajah of Jeypore? "It is, therefore, against that Prince, and not against the Queen, that an offence has been committed, and it is for the Rajah to deal with it, if he will." Yet some of the prisoners actually cast the coin, which passes current with many of our subjects besides the tenantry of Jeypore. Truly the Punjab is going from the one extreme of non-regulation justice to the other of quibbling legality. This is almost as bad as the decision of the same appellate court that, because our Government knew the Patna traitors had been conspiring against us for years, therefore they should not be hanged.—*Friend of India*.

THE NAWAB NAZIM of Moorshedabad, in order to encourage a taste for English education among his Highness's co-religionists in Bengal, some time back offered four scholarships, one for the Nizamut College, one for the Madrissa College, and the other two for the Presidency College. At first he intended to limit their tenure to a period of five years, but, at the suggestion of the Director of Public Instruction, he has extended it to six. In proposing his scheme, the Nawab said that it occurred to him that he might, at one and the same time, show his own appreciation of the benefits he had derived from an acquaintance with the English language, and advance in ever so small a degree the cause of education amongst the Mussulmans of the Lower Provinces. He therefore offered the above scholarships, to be competed for by Mahomedan pupils only.

Mr. MONCK MASON, Assistant Commissioner in Oude, has, at his own choice, been transferred to Bombay, and Mr. Gibson has been appointed in his place as 3rd class Assistant Commissioner in Oude.

LADY CANNING'S TOMB.—The monument ordered by the late Lord Canning for the tomb of Lady Canning in the garden of Barrackpore House has been prepared. The monument is of Sicilian marble, inlaid with the arms of the Canning and Stuart de Rothsay families. This will be laid flat on the tomb. In its centre as a base is a ledger richly moulded on the edge, and over this a cross resting on a *dos d'ane* shaped slab, with this inscription in the edge—"Sacred to the memory of Charlotte Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Lord Stuart de Rothsay, born at Paris, March 31, 1817; died at Calcutta, November 18, 1861; wife of Charles John Viscount and Earl Canning, first Viceroy of India." From the head of this slab rises a handsome headstone, capped with a cross. The sides of this stone are decorated with a twisted column, and the back is rich with ornament. The height is about fifteen feet, that of the base nearly four feet. The length is fifteen feet, and breadth about nine feet. The design was by Mr. G. G. Scott; the sculptor was Mr. J. B. Philip. The epitaph is as follows:—"Honours and praise written on a tomb are at best a vainglory, but that her charity, humility, meekness, and watchful faith in her Saviour will, for that Saviour's sake, be accepted of God, and be to her a glory everlasting, is the firm trust of those who knew her best, and most dearly loved her in life, and who cherish the memory of her departed."—The above words were written, Nov. 22, 1861, by Earl Canning, who survived his wife but seven months. He left India on the 18th March, died in London on the 17th June, and was buried in Westminster Abbey on the 21st June, 1862." The storm-wave during the cyclone does not seem to have injured the tomb, which is only a few feet above the level of the highest tides.

HINDOO ADOPTION.—The *Indian Field*, a native paper, says a suit is about to be tried in the Bengal High Court which will raise the novel question whether it is competent in a second or any other wife to adopt a son during the lifetime of the son adopted by the first wife. As Hindoo law, based on Brahminical superstition, requires only one son to perform what the writer calls "certain obsequious ceremonies" for the welfare of the deceased father, it is difficult to see why the question should be raised at all. The case has been instituted by the first widow of the late Baboo Promathnat Deb, as guardian of her infant son, against the second widow. In it are involved the fortunes of an opulent family of Calcutta. Baboo Prossona Coomarr Tagore has been cited as a skilled witness.

THE ALLAHABAD "MELA."—The usual *mela* or festival at the junction of the Ganges and Jumna below Allahabad fort, has been this year very numerous attended. A local writer estimates the numbers present on the great day, 28th Jan., at 70,000. A filthier or sadder sight we do not know than the spectacle of thousands of cropped and shaven devotees paying toll to the Brahmins ere they step into the river, while clouds of sand fill the air, whole acres of matted hair and filth send forth a horrible smell, and the din of incessant marketing arises above all. Here and there may be seen the missionary's tent or booth, where a succession of addresses is delivered all day and Christian books are sold.

PUBLIC WORKS IN PORT BLAIR are progressing rapidly. The erection of certain buildings has been completed, and the construction of others, and of a few lines of roads, are in contemplation. With a view to place the Public Works Department on a more efficient footing so as to meet the requirements of the settlement, the Government of India has sanctioned the appointment of additional free overseers, clerks and other subordinate officials under the executive engineer, at a cost of Rs. 700 per mensem, in addition to the sum of Rs. 1,000 previously allowed as proposed by that officer.

EAST INDIA RAILWAY MISMANAGEMENT.—

The case of Monohur Lall v. the East India Railway Company (reported in the *Hurkaru* of the 15th February) is chiefly of importance because of the remarks which Mr. Justice Morgan felt called upon to make regarding the way in which the business of the company is transacted. The plaintiff's case was dismissed, but this does not entirely exonerate the company from charges which affect the general interests of the public. The evidence of a man called Ajoodia Pershaud, and of his dealings with the officers of the company, was simply disgraceful. He appears to have had free access to the receipt books of the company, and it was out of the abuse of this privilege, which ought never to have been conceded to him, that the action took its rise. Leaving this matter on one side, however, the company seems in the position of the Eastern Counties Line last Christmas. The traffic has outstripped the power of the company to manage it properly. Whether at Benares or Howrah, the same slipshod and careless way of transacting business is apparent. If at one station the bales of cotton are not counted, at the other no effort is made to separate them. They get mixed up in inextricable confusion, and after a twelvemonth, and the revelations of a trial for non-delivery, the judge is driven to the conclusion that they are still knocking about the Howrah goods station. The passenger traffic is one in which the public have a more direct interest, its results and shortcomings are more easily watched, and are more eagerly commented upon, but the case is different with the enormous goods traffic of the line. It may, no doubt, be an example of the way the public appreciate the convenience of a railroad to be told that all the stations are crowded with produce, and that at Allahabad twenty-five thousand bales of cotton are waiting for the means of transport; but it says very little for the management of a company in which the public has spent so much money that even when the goods do find the means of transport they cannot be delivered correctly, and that to tamper with the company's books is not a very difficult matter. We commend the judge's remarks to the railway authorities, and after a careful perusal of this most discreditable case we echo his hope that "the interference of the Court will not furthermore be necessary," but that this company will take some pains to identify goods, "in justice to freighters."—*Hurkaru*.

LOOHAROO.—No sooner is the little revolution over in Looharoo than its chieftain imagines himself in a position to follow the bent of his own inclinations. The Looharoo principality is partly an offshoot from the Ulwur territories, partly the result of a generous fit of Lord Lake. It contains about twenty-five thousand inhabitants, and is miserably poor. Its Nawab, however, has found employment for his army in outraging the territories of his neighbour of Jheend, and has in consequence embroiled himself with the British authorities at Hissar. His conduct and explanations are said to be very unsatisfactory. The Government would do well to deprive him of the chance of creating a disturbance, however trifling, not by giving him an allowance, but by capitalising his claims, and presenting him with a lump sum.

STEAM BETWEEN DACCA AND KOOSHTEA.—The *Dacca News* notices certain negotiations between the Commissioner of Dacca and the agent of the Eastern Bengal River Steam Company, with a view to the establishment of steam communication between Kooshtea and Naraingunge, which is eight miles by road from Dacca. Mr. Buckland, whose good offices in this matter entitle him to the gratitude of the mercantile community of Eastern Bengal, has obtained from Mr. Prestage the assurance that the agents of the River Steamer Company (whose steamers are the best on

these rivers) have expressed their willingness to run a steamer and flats once a week between Kooshtea and Dacca, if the merchants at the latter place, or at Naraingunge can be induced to guarantee 15,000 maunds of freight per week, either up or down at a minimum through rate of 8 annas per maund. If the guarantee can be given, arrangements will be made to have one flat always loading or unloading at Naraingunge, and the steamer would run at fixed times to accommodate both passengers and goods traffic, and more flats would be put on as the traffic increased. If such a guarantee were given for a few months the trade would be thoroughly established, and the passengers and general traffic would be so regular that no further guarantee would be required. Of course no guarantee of this sort can be given that would be of any legal value. But the agents of the steam company would be consulting their own, as well as the interests of the public, by entering upon a venture which cannot but pay.

THE HOOGHLY COMMITTEE.—At their seventh sitting the Hooghly Committee examined Mr. Prestage, agent of the Eastern Bengal Railway. Mr. Prestage, as agent, would prefer a railway bridge across the river at Mugra, near Hooghly, but he thought the public interests demanded it at Cossipore, and a general railway terminus at Tank-square. The cost of extending the Eastern Bengal Railway to the square and building a large station would be £350,000. The land would cost £150,000, but that would be paid by frontages. He thought as many as 30,000 passengers might arrive at and depart from the station in one day, which sometimes happens in London. Mr. Prestage did not stand very successfully a severe cross-examination as to the feasibility of his plan for wet docks at Kidderpore. The committee, in an interim report to Government, recommend that immediate measures should be taken to provide jetties in connection with suitable landing sheds and warehouses on that portion of the strand bank that lies between the Bankshall and Armenian Ghats. Even if wet docks be made these will be necessary. They urge the establishment of a public river trust, and approve of the Bill on that subject before the Bengal Legislature.

RAILWAY TRAVELLING IN INDIA.—The *Pioneer* records another accident on the East India Railway—the sixth within a fortnight. Between Hattrass and Pallee, during a fog, a passenger train ran into a wood train. As both were going in the same direction, the damage was slight. Again the single line is to blame—it is so crowded with traffic. A seventh accident was this. A Thakoor journeying from Allypore, placed his two *purdanushkeen* wives and a baby in a palanquin which rested on a truck. The truck took fire, the train was stopped, and the ladies were rescued, but they forgot the child. It was found burnt to a cinder, and the cause was the mother's hookah.

REWAH.—We hear from up-country that a band of robbers from Rewah has committed several outrages in British territory. The Rajah was called upon by Mr. Drummond to explain the reason why these men were allowed to make excursions into British districts, and find a secure retreat in Rewah. The demand would seem to have taken the Rajah very much by surprise. He has declared his ignorance of the whole matter, but has stated his willingness to make whatever inquiries the Government of the N. W. P. may consider necessary, and to take whatever measures may be suggested for the suppression of the marauders.

THE NORTH-WEST FRONTIER.—We are informed by the *Lahore Chronicle* that communication between Kohat and Peshawur is hazardous, in consequence of the road being infested by Wazerees, and other mountain tribes.

FLOODS IN GOOJERAT.—Early in the morning of the 30th January severe rain commenced to fall in the Goojerat district, and continued without intermission for thirty hours. At noon, on the 31st, the river Chenab commenced to rise, from which it was concluded that heavy rain must have fallen at its source, and steps were at once taken to secure the bridge of boats; and although later in the day, the river having continued to rise, the water dashed against the boats in regular waves or surf, the darogah and his establishment managed to keep them well together, until five rafts came against the boats with a rush, which unsettled some of them, but they were again securely moored. Some of the men on the rafts scrambled on to the bridge, but the fate of others is not yet known. Shortly after a large boat, heavily laden, over which the crew had lost control, came with such force against the bridge that it was smashed to pieces, and two of the boats composing the bridge carried away down the stream. The river still rose higher and higher, and the current ran faster and faster as the day advanced, and ultimately all efforts to keep the bridge of boats together became useless, and at last the whole affair was washed bodily away by the furious stream, carrying with it the numerous boatmen and others who had been trying to keep it in its place. Mr. Corbyn, the assistant commissioner, was most indefatigable in his attempts to secure the boats, and has since succeeded in bridging two small streams, and has rigged up four boats to ferry passengers from one side of the river to the other, so that the communication is not altogether interrupted. A correspondent in the district says the rain gauge shows a fall of rain of fifty and a-half inches in thirty-four hours, which surely must be an exaggeration.—*Lahore Chronicle*.

NATIVE ECCENTRICITIES.—*Native Opinion* occasionally publishes curious facts about our Hindoo feudatories. The Gaekwar of Baroda, with an eclecticism worthy of Akbar, has sent eleven Brahmins to Benares, and eleven Faquirs to Mecca, to spend a year in acts of devotion, the merit of which his highness hopes to reap. The Maharajah Holkar has fined the richest merchant of Indore Rs. 5,000 for sending carts of grain through his highness's estates without permission. Scindia is described as "deeply engaged in improving the discipline of his forces and in hearing the sermons of hardasses, or public preachers." The native writer quaintly says, "As long as native princes are advised by ministers who have not received sound education, and who have no fixed principles to guide their conduct, upon which the welfare of the people depends, so long there is nothing to expect any good results from them." Of the seven lakhs of rupees about to be spent by Holkar on the marriage of his children we are told that a fifth part is to be raised from the "presents and contributions" of the people. How much squeezing this will require those who have seen a native State will have no difficulty in realising.

MEERUT.—The *Mofussilite* understands that Government intends to purchase the famous Meerut Mess-house and to convert it into a museum and institute. This was done in Dunn-Dum, but that station has ceased to be garrisoned by a sufficient number of men to make use of the Outram Institute. We believe that the construction of the line of railway past Meerut will lead to several changes in the present cantonments, so as to place the native lines behind those of the Europeans and further from the railway.

ARCHERY AT LUCKNOW.—A large concourse of the residents of Lucknow assembled in the Wingfield Park to witness the prizes presented by the Chief Commissioner shot for by the members of the Lucknow Archery Club. The 1st prize, a bracelet, open to all ladies in Oudh, was won by Mrs. Reid. The 2nd prize, a casket, was won by Mrs. Carey.

THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL held the first meeting of the session on the 14th January. Besides the Governor the members are the Hon'ble Messrs. T. Pycroft, H. D. Phillips, J. B. Norton, C. Pelly, R. O. Campbell, W. R. Arbuthnot, Shur-fool Omrah Bahadur, A. J. Arbuthnot, and R. S. Ellis, C. B. Mr. Pycroft introduced a Bill to place the functions of magistrates, with respect to laws of a special and local character, on the same footing as they were on with respect to offences against the general law of the land. Mr. Ellis introduced a Bill "to make provision for the administration of Military Cantonments in the Presidency of Fort Saint George." A Bill to prevent gambling all over the Presidency was withdrawn. In the course of the discussion the Mussulman Member of Council took objection to a statement of Mr. Minchin, in a letter on the subject, that the fighting of birds or cocks is a national amusement and openly indulged in by the highest members of the Native Community. In an unusually long speech the Mussulman gentleman expressed his desire to see the Bill passed, because gambling is strictly prohibited by the Koran, and cock-fighting is a scandal to all good Mahomedans.

WAR AGAINST PARAPHRASE.—The Director of Public Instruction at Madras has issued an order cautioning his subordinates against "the abuse of paraphrase," the meaning of which will not be apparent to Englishmen fresh in the country, or who have not yet been initiated into the mysteries of that hugest of shams—the Government educational system. In all Government schools the pupils of the higher classes are expected to explain the sense of what they read, in English. The examiner gives them a line of poetry or prose out of Shakespeare or Bacon, or other classical authors, and they express as much of the meaning as they understand in their own words. As a consequence, they talk the rankest nonsense and the wildest grammar, and the examiner goes away disgusted. To prevent this, months before the examinations come on, the boys get their grown-up friends, frequently the masters themselves, to "paraphrase" whole pages of their English textbooks, and the "paraphrase" is made by heart, so that when the examiner comes, he is surprised at the ease and fluency with which the most complicated passages of the most involved diction are turned into plain, idiomatic English; and the poor man reports accordingly. Educational authorities here are aware of the full prevalence of the practice, and yet it is so well recognised as an essential part in that sham of all shams, their so-called "system," that none ever thinks of putting a stop to it.

AGRICULTURE IN BURMAH.—Government has made the Agri-Horticultural Society of Burmah, recently established with Colonel Phayre as president, a grant of twenty-two acres in the suburbs of Rangoon, for a garden. Agriculture seems to be in a ruder state than even in India. The population is too scanty to care for the long leases we wish them to take. There is only one tea garden in the province, in Arracan, although the hills are well fitted for both tea and coffee. Sugar is made in Martaban, and the cane flourishes near Rangoon. Tobacco seems to have been most successful, and cotton thrives.

CATTLE SHOW AT ADDANKI.—Sir W. Denison presided at the opening of the Annual Cattle Show at Addanki on the 25th January. Crowds were attracted by the Governor's presence. His Excellency was delighted with the show of bulls, and made some purchases. The *Madras Times* remarks that prize animals fetch large prices. As much as Rs. 300 was asked for the 1st prize heifer. Nearly 400 head of cattle were exhibited. Sir W. Denison is on a tour north to Ganjam.

COL. CAMPBELL has been confirmed as superintendent of the gun carriage manufactory, in succession to Col. Maitland.

SIR HOPE GRANT.—The Madras Commander-in-Chief, with Lady Grant and his staff, arrived at Rangoon from Madras and the Andaman Islands on the 25th January. After completing the inspection of British Burmah Sir Hope Grant will return to Madras and then leave India for England to take up the office of Quartermaster-General of the Army.

THAYET MYO.—In consequence of the growing importance of Thayet Myo in British Burmah, as a commercial port, the Government of India has in contemplation the appointment of a Collector of Customs there, on a salary of Rs. 240,000 per annum, as recommended by the local administration.

MADRAS AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY.—At the last annual meeting of this society, under the presidency of the Hon. C. Pelly, it was stated that during the past year 80,000 copies of the Bible, or portions of the Bible, had been circulated, 52,000 gratis, and 28,000 by sale.

NEILGHERRY TEA.—The first public auction of Neilgherry tea in Madras realised the upset price of three rupees a pound. Surely this is a fancy price.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 15. Renown, Taylor, Calcutta; Western Ocean, Baylee, Point de Galle.—16. Dorothy, Bruce, London.—22. Copenhagen, Cowie, Simon's Bay; Kingdom Olie, Shewan, Harlicpool.—26. P. and O. str. Mooltan, Dunn, Suex.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 15. Caroline, Calcutta; str. Erymanthe, Calcutta.—17. str. Gogin, Rangoon, Bombay.—18. Isolvidera, Deane, Calcutta; Nor' Wester, Brown, Madras Coast; Gullant Neill, Gahan, Northern Ports; Mauritius, Regner, Pondicherry.—22. Renown, Taylor, London; Caroline, Turner, Moulmein.—23. Jeanne, Tetard, Bordeaux via Pondicherry; Theresa, Batley, Mauritius.—24. Shen Sudi, Gullam, Colombo; Wolvenene, Paul, Balasore; Co. elahagen, Cowie, Calcutta.—25. Sir Ralph Abercrombie, Gilbert, London.—27. Pindes, Moley, Calcutta; P. and O. str. Mooltan, —, Calcutta.—28. Lord Warden, Consett, London.—28. 1. Mail str. Nemesis, —, Suex.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

P. r mail str. Nemesis.—From MADRAS for SUEX.—Messrs. Baxter and Gullam.

COMMERCIAL.

Madras, March 1, 1865.

BANK OF MADRAS.

Interest on Loans and deposit of Govt. Securities... 11 per ct.
On Cash Credits on deposit subject to commission of 1 per cent. on the sum granted on amount drawn... 11 per ct.
Discount on Government Bills... 9 per ct.
Ditto on Private Bills, at or within 3 months... 13 per ct.
Loans on deposit of Government paper... 7 per ct.

EXCHANGES.

Document Bills, at 6 months' sight... 2 1/2
Credit to 6 months... 2 0/2
Agents' Bills on England, at 6 months... 2 0/2
" " at 3 months... 3 0/2
" " at 1 month... 2 0
" " at sight... 1 1/2
H.M.'s Treasury Bills... None.
Bank of England Post Bills... None.
Mauritius Government Bills... Nominal.
Ceylon ditto... "
Court of Directors' Bill on the Government of Bengal, 30 days' sight... None.
Agents' Bills on Calcutta, 30 days... 1/2 pm.
Ditto on Bombay... 1 1/2 dis.

RATES OF ADVANCE.

On Govt. 5 1/2 per cent. Promissory Not s... 100 per ct.
Ditto 5 ditto ditto... 95 per ct.
Ditto 4 1/2 ditto ditto... 90 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Stock Receipts... 80 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Promissory Notes Sien... 85 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto Company's... 85 per ct.
Ditto 3 1/2 ditto ditto ditto... 85 per ct.
On Tanjore ditto ditto ditto... 98 per ct.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

5 1/2 per cent. Loan... 1859... 8 1/2 pm
5 per cent. ditto... 1856-57... 2 pm
4 per cent. ditto... 1852-53... }
Ditto... 1853-54... } 10 dis
Ditto... 1854-55... }
Ditto... 1855-56... }
5 per cent. Transferable Book Debt... No transaction.
Tanjore Bonds... 1/2 per ct. dis.
Bank of Madras Shares... 110 per ct. pm.

PRICE OF BULLION.

Sovereigns... each Rs. 10-3-6

FREIGHTS.

London and Liverpool.—Sugar, £1. 5s.; Indigo, £1. 10s.; Hides and Skins, £3. 10s.; Cotton, £3. 7s. 6d.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

DECCAN CLUB.—Under the auspices of a Joint-Stock Company a Club is about to be founded at Poona, on the plan, it is said, of the "old aristocratic establishments of White's, Brooke's, and Boodle's. According to the *Gazette*, the Club is designed to surpass in many particulars the two existing Clubs of Bombay. The building contains, besides handsome drawing and dining-rooms, a library, which is to be liberally furnished with books. This institution alone will be an immense boon to Poona, and to many persons will, in itself, return the value of their subscriptions. Eighty bedrooms will do much to accommodate the troops of would-be monsoon visitors, who at present are debarred from a month of the Poona "season" by the impossibility of getting lodgings at any price. A swimming-bath and a racket-court will form novel and attractive features in the establishment. The most liberal promises are made for the *cuisine*, the cellar, and all the details of the *menage*. If these promises are fairly adhered to, the Club Company should be financially a success, for there will be no lack of candidates for election, and there will be no grumbling at the bills. In any case, the Club itself will be a great boon to Poona, and will, in fact, form a genuine social power.

THE USUAL COURSE OF TRUE LOVE.—We (*Times of India*) stated some days ago that a native lady of high rank had left Poona en route to Baroda, for the purpose of being married to His Highness the Guicowar. She was last heard of as being in Surat, with a retinue of 200 attendants. Costly preparations had been made by order of His Highness, to mark her arrival at his capital with a splendour befitting her rank. The day for the marriage was fixed by the court astrologers, after much ado in their desire to light upon the most auspicious one. Some idea of the magnificence of the arrangements for the nuptial day may be formed, when we state that one of the articles of the programme required that every leaf on every tree in His Highness' garden should have its lamp. A few days passed; when the lady of rank found, in her own case, a sad illustration of the correctness of the saying—"There's many a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip." Her fair fame was not worth a moment's consideration in the Maharaja's opinion against the breath of scandal. An anonymous missive thrown into one of the Rajah's halls, and falling in his way, as intended, alienated his affections from the woman of his choice. This result of her journey in search of a husband is said to have caused her extreme disappointment, and she has left Baroda crest-fallen, to return to her native place.

THE INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION.—The promoters of the International Exhibition are obviously in earnest. At a board meeting held on the 8th February, it was determined to accept the tender of Messrs. Nicol and Co. for the flooring of the building, in whose name the public have the best guarantee that could be obtained of the work they have undertaken being efficiently executed. It was also determined, to prevent any possible delay in the progress of their building, to send to England five lacs of rupees in Government paper at once, to be placed to the credit of their special agent, and to be drawn upon by him under the direction of the London Commission. A resolution was also passed to the effect that there should be a ceremony held at the laying of the foundation-stone of the building; a task at which Sir Bartle Frere has kindly promised his assistance. This event we may probably look for during the month of March. These energetic measures afford a good augury of the ultimate success of the enterprise.—*Bombay Gazette*.

RACE LOTTERIES.—The law of lotteries in India, being distinct in its application, should receive the most serious consideration of the Government. In defiance of the law, race lotteries are still carried on. Now, no matter who the parties are, the Government officials should not shrink from doing their obvious duty. Whether here, or in Madras, or in Calcutta, or elsewhere, it matters not, the law is clear and decisive against race or other lotteries of the kind. In *Baden rouge-et-noir* is made a part of the revenue of the State, and even a sovereign potentate pockets his francs with a willing and a welcome smile. Is Sir Bartle Frere prepared to do likewise here? We should like to have the opinion of the Carlton or the Reform Clubs on such proceedings as are countenanced here, and we should also like the opinion of the judges as to the race lotteries, conducted as they are in Bombay. We have no desire to say one word against the many honourable men who are on the turf in India, and who try to promote real sport; but in drawing attention to a matter which is a disgrace to Bombay and the turf itself, we are simply doing a public duty.—*Times of India*.

RECLAMATION WORKS.—By a special notification the Governor General in Council has decided that all reclamations of marshes, swamps, and lowlying land in the Island of Bombay, as well as all recoveries from the sea which have for their object the provision of building space, or space for wharfage, docks, quays, or landing places, shall be considered works of public utility under Act XXII. of 1863. This will give legal facilities for carrying out the improvements. So far has the madness of speculation gone in Bombay, that there are deluded people who have bought Back Bay Reclamation Shares at *seventy-seven thousand rupees* premium, to be delivered next year! Mr. John Fleming has, in the interest of the public, raised the question before the Government Committee whether the numerous reclamations now sanctioned or applied for are not causing the harbour to become shallow.

PROJECTED TELEGRAPH COMPANY.—A company has been projected in Bombay to establish a news and telegraphic agency for India, under the title of the Bombay Paper-Making, Printing and Publishing and Telegraphic Service Company. Some idea of the scale on which plans are made in Bombay may be formed from the statement of a local paper that the company, as a preliminary, is to construct its own telegraphic lines all over India. The merchants of Bombay are said to be interested in the scheme, but they propose to start a telegraph company separately, in order to construct the lines. It is curious that, notwithstanding all the complaints of the three Presidency cities, and the offer of Government to allow new lines to be made, talk has not yet developed into action.

ROMANCE OF THE SEA.—The captain of the ship *John Allen*, lately arrived from Calcutta, has reported losing two of his apprentice boys, on his passage along the coast. The boys, he states, had been reading "Robinson Crusoe," "Monte Christo," and such like books, and had become possessed of some romantic notion of desert island life in consequence. The ship had been steering close inshore during several days, and one morning, when they were wanted for some duty or other, the boys were not to be found. The ship was searched throughout, but there was nothing discovered to indicate their whereabouts. One of the ship's life-buoys, however, had been cut adrift. The ship was at that time about fifteen miles from the land, having altered her course to clear a reef, and from what the captain could gather, the boys, he thinks, must have imagined that the ship was still close inshore, and had jumped overboard with the buoy, hoping to be picked up in the morning by some of the boats which put off to ships with fruit and such like things, all along

the coast. They had been borrowing small sums of money from their shipmates, and talking of their desire to remain in the country for some days before they disappeared. The captain is exceedingly distressed at their loss; the more so, that the sea in the neighbourhood abounds with sharks, and it could only be by a miracle that their lives would be saved if they went overboard in the manner supposed. The captain cruised about the spot for two days, keeping men at the mast-heads with glasses, hoping to find some trace of the unfortunate boys, but without success. Their parents are said to be in very respectable circumstances, and the boys were great favourites with their shipmates.

THE BOMBAY TRACT AND BOOK SOCIETY.—During the past year this society printed thirty books and tracts, to the extent of 155,000 copies. The distribution of Vernacula, publications reached 94,164 copies; of English, 36,000. The funds are in good condition.

POLYANDRY.—Let us first see what is the area over which polyandry now prevails. It prevails universally in Tibet, and is common in the Himalayan and Sub-Himalayan regions adjoining Tibet; in the valley of Kashmir; among the Spiti, in Ladak; in Kistewar and Sirmor. It occurs among the Telingese; in the Sivalik mountains, and in Kasia. There are unmistakable traces of its existence till recently in Gurwhal, Sylhet, and Cachar. Farther south in India we find polyandry among the Todas of the Nilgherry Hills, the Coorgs of Mysore, and the Nairs, the Maleres, and Poleres of Malabar. We find it off the Indian coast in Ceylon; and going eastward strike on it as an ancient though now almost superseded custom in New Zealand, and in one or two of the Pacific Islands. Going northward we meet it again in the Aleutian Islands; and taking the continent to the west side and north of the Aleutians we find it among the Koryaks to the north of the Okhotsk Sea. Crossing the Russian Empire to the west side we find polyandry among the Saporgian Cossacks; we thus have traced it at points half round the globe. This is not all, however. Polyandry is found in several parts of Africa and of America. We have the authority of Humboldt for its prevalence among the tribes on the Orinoco, and he also vouches for its former prevalence in Lanzerota, one of the Canary Islands. From ancient history we learn that polyandry at one time existed over even a greater area. Traces of it remained in the time of Tacitus among the Germans. And while in certain cantons of Media, according to Strabo, polygamy was authorised by express law which ordained every inhabitant to maintain at least seven wives; in other cantons the opposite rule was in force: a woman was allowed to have many husbands, and they looked with contempt on those who had less than five. Cæsar informs us that in his time polyandry prevailed among the Britons. We find direct evidence of its existence among the Picts in the Irish Nennius, not to mention traces of it in the Pictish Laws of Succession. Further we find traditions of it among the Hindus—especially among the Rajputs. And we find it among the Getae of Transaxiana (the Yuti or Yuechi of the Chinese historians). To see where else it prevailed we must go back upon our authorities and examine the various phases of polyandry which they present, and obtain a test for detecting its presence where historical evidence of its existence is wanting. The ruder form of polyandry, as we have said, is that in which the husbands are not brothers; the less rude is that in which they are brothers. The polyandry of the Kasias, the Nairs, and the Saporgian Cossacks, appears to be purely of the ruder sort, and is attended by the system of kinship through females only. It is left doubtful what is the form of the institution in some instances, as in the Aleutian Islands and among the Koryaks. But in all the other cases in which polyandry occurs, the authorities show that the ruder form occurs among the lower classes wherever the less rude occurs, except in Tibet, where polyandry is universal and the husbands are always brothers; except in Malabar, where polyandry is universally practised by all classes, saving the Brahmans only, but is of the ruder species among the high caste Nairs, and of the less rude among the lower castes, the Teers, Maleres, and Poleres. It is in the nature of the case that all the possible forms of polyandry must lie between, or be embraced in, the Nair and Tibetan forms.—*McLennan's Primitive Marriage*.



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BENGAL.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR.

Feb. 3.—No. 873.—Mr. T. T. Allen to offic. as joint magis. and dep. coll. of Tipperah.

Mr. C. D. Field to offic. as joint magis. and dep. coll. of Jessore.

Mr. E. H. Whinfield to have charge of the sub div. of Barh, and to exercise the powers of a magis. and dep. coll. in the dist. of Patna and Monghyr.

Feb. 4.—The following gent. to be members of the municipal committees at the towns ment., viz.:

Dr. R. F. Hutchinson and Mr. T. N. Wilson, Patna.

Mr. J. A. Hopkins and Mr. H. A. Newbery, Gya.

Mr. T. Norman to have temp. charge of the sub division of Serajgunge, and to exercise the powers of a subord. magis. of the 1st class, and the powers of a dep. coll. in Pubna and Bogra. Mr. Norman is also empowered to hold the preliminary inquiry into cases triable by the Court of Sessions, to commit or hold to bail persons to take their trial before such Court of Sessions, and to exercise all the powers necessary for that purpose.

Mr. F. H. McLaughlin to be dep. registrar of assurances of the sub dist. of Chupra, having its head qrs. at the Sudder station of the dist. of Sarun.

Feb. 6.—Mr. J. O. Nicholson, rev. surv., in charge of the Assam waste land survey, is vested with the powers of a dep. coll. and settlement officer in the dist. of Kamroop, Durrung, and Nowgong.

The following officers are authorised to perform the duties and exercise the powers conferred on dist. magis., viz.:

Mr. A. Mackenzie, asst. magis. of Kooshteah.

Mr. R. H. Pawsey, asst. magis. of Bongong.

Mr. R. Porch, asst. magis. of Meherpore.

Mr. G. E. Makgill, asst. magis. of Chooadangah.

Feb. 9.—Dr. E. J. Gayer to be civil asst. surg. of Tirhoot, but to continue to offic. as civil asst. surg. of Monghyr.

Dr. C. E. W. Bensley to be civil asst. surg. of Backergunge.

Mr. D. White to offic. as a dep. magis. and a dep. coll. in the Cuttack div., to be stationed at Balasore, and to exercise the powers of a subord. magis. of the 2nd class in any or all the dist. of that div.

Mr. C. N. Banerjee to offic. as a dep. mag. and a dep. coll. in Dacca div., to be stationed at Backergunge, and to exercise powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class, in any or all the districts of that div.

Feb. 14.—Major H. Raban to offic., temp., as private sec. to the Lieut. gov. of Bengal.

Major J. M. Graham to offic. as dep. insp. gen. of police in the Assam circle.

Leave of absence:—

Feb. 4.—Mr. J. C. Dodgson, civil and sess. judge of Mymensing, for 1 mo., to enable him to appear before a standing med. committee at the presy.

Mr. O. Toogood, civil and sess. jud. of Beerbhoom, for 1 mo., from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave, making over charge of the current duties of his office to the principal Sudder Ameen of the district.

Mr. W. V. G. Taylor, joint mag. and dep. coll. of Tirhoot, for 3 weeks, from the 25th ult.

Mr. P. Horden, asst. prof., Presidency College, for 6 mo., from 9th inst.

Mr. G. B. Hampton, Abkary supnt. and coll. of stamps, Calcutta, for 14 days, prep. to retiring from the service.

Mr. F. J. R. Walker, dep. mag. of Serajgunge, for 3 mo., under the financial notification dated July 31, 1863.

Feb. 7.—The leave granted to Mr. E. P. Amesbury, asst. supnt. of police, Furreedpore, under orders of the 12th ult., is canc. at his own request.

The leave to Mr. J. R. B. Ross, dep. coll. of Hooghly, under orders of 5th ult., is canc. at his own request.

The leave to Mr. J. B. Birch, asst. supnt. of police, Monghyr, under orders of the 17th ult., will have effect from Sept. 5, instead of from Oct. 5 last, as notified in the *Calcutta Gazette* of the 25th ult.

Feb. 10.—No. 41.—Leave of Absence.—Mr. T. Smith, supervisor of the 2nd grade, att. to the Ganges and Darjeeling road, has leave for 6 mo.

Feb. 13.—No. 43.—The following order issued by

the Govt. of India, public works dept., is re-published for information:—

Feb. 6.—No. 35.—Lieut. W. A. J. Wallace, R.E., is appd. to the public works dept. as an asst. engr., 2nd class, with effect from April 14, and tempy. posted to Bengal.

No. 44.—Lieut. W. A. J. Wallace, R.E., is placed at the disposal of the marine dept. for special duty connected with the Calcutta port.

Feb. 7.—Rev. J. W. Young, of St. John's College, Cambridge, M.A., jun. chaplain, and the Rev. A. C. Walshe, a minister in this diocese, have both been appd. by the Lord Bishop of Calcutta surrogates in this archdeaconry for granting episcopal licences of marriage.

Feb. 7.—Mr. J. R. B. Ross, dep. coll., has been placed in charge of the Hooghly Treasury, and is authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

No. 95.—Mr. W. M. Clay, asst. to the coll. of Purneah, received charge of the Purneah Treasury on the 2nd inst., and has been authorised to draw bills on other treasuries.

Feb. 8.—No. 1,013.—Appointments:—

Mr. C. C. Quinn to be a member of the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Kishnuggur.

Feb. 9.—Mr. C. Boulois to offic. as a Professor of Law in the Presidency College.

Rev. A. W. Loinsworth, B.A., to offic. as an Asst. Professor in the Presidency College.

Mr. W. E. Ward to be asst. to the mag. and coll. of the 24-Pergunnahs, to be stationed at Sealdah, and to exercise the powers of a mag. and dep. coll. in that district.

Feb. 10.—The following gentlemen to be members of the Municipal Committee for the town mentioned:—

For the Town of Mozufferpore.

Mr. H. Doveton and Mr. F. Collingridge.

Feb. 11.—Mr. H. Beverley to offic. temp. as dep. comr. of Darjeeling, with effect from 31st ult.

The following gentlemen to be members of the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Darjeeling:—

Maj. H. R. Shelton and Capt. J. Jerdan.

Mr. F. W. V. Peterson to be sec. to the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Arrah.

Feb. 13.—Mr. N. H. Thomson to be mag. of police, Calcutta, Southern div., but to continue to offic. as 2nd judge of the Court of Small Causes at Calcutta.

Feb. 14.—Dr. J. H. Collins to be a municipal comr. for the town of Jumalpoore, v. Mr. Burr, res.

Capt. D. Macdonald, asst. revenue surveyor, in charge of 2nd div., Lower Provinces, is prom. to full grade of revenue surveyor, with effect from Jan. 1.

Feb. 15.—Dr. J. Pichall to offic. temp. as civil asst. surg. of Bhaugulpore.

Jan. 6.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. H. C. Wake, dep. comr. of Darjeeling, for 22 days, prep. to proc. to Eur. on furl., from the date on which he may avail himself of the same.

Feb. 8.—Mr. W. C. Tayler, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Jumalpoore, for 15 days, from Dec. 25 last, under para. 12, clause 1 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

Feb. 11.—Mr. T. C. Trotter, opium agent of Behar, for 11 days, prep. to retiring from the serv., under section 3, chapter 1 of the revised Covenanted Service Absentee Rules. Mr. Trotter will make over charge of his office to the principal asst. to the opium agent.

Capt. J. F. Sherer, asst. comr., Cachar, for 30 days, from the 15th inst.

Feb. 17.—Mr. W. H. Brodhurst, civil and session judge of Sarun, for 3 mo., under section 6 of the revised Covenanted Service Absentee Rules, from April 10 next, or any subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the leave.

Feb. 2.—Mr. H. Beverley assumed charge of the office of dep. comr. of Darjeeling from Mr. H. C. Wake on the afternoon of the 30th ult.

Feb. 8.—The leave granted to Mr. Little, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Monghyr, under orders of Sept. 28 last, will take effect from March 10 next instead of from the 20th inst., as notified in the *Calcutta Gazette* of Nov. 9 last.

Feb. 15.—No. 47.—Mr. J. Robinson, prob. asst. engr., joined the Behar (local road) div. on the 31st ult. before noon.

Feb. 17.—No. 48.—Prom.—In continuation of the orders specified, the Lieut. gov. is pleased to make the following prom. in the accounts branch of the public works dept., with effect from Nov. 1:—To be Accountant of the 3rd Grade.—Mr. E. J. Neville, accountant of the 4th grade, central office of account, Bengal.

Feb. 18.—No. 49.—Capt. C. J. Mead, R.A.,

exec. engr. of the 1st class, assumed temp. charge of the Behar circle, in addition to his duties as exec. engr. of the 2nd div. Grand Trunk Road, on the afternoon of the 14th current.

No. 50.—Mr. A. C. Galbraith, supervisor of the 1st grade, att. to the Burrakur div., has been perm., at his own request, to resign his appt. in the upper subord. estab., with effect from the 17th ult.

No. 51.—The services of Mr. J. A. Edwards, overseer of the 2nd grade, local upper subord. estab., att. to the Burrakur div., were dispensed with from the 25th ult.

No. 52.—Mr. M. L. Hartigan is appd., on prob., an overseer of the 3rd grade in the upper subord. estab., and posted to the 2nd div., grand trunk road.

Feb. 20.—No. 54.—Mr. M. P. B. Duell, exec. engr., 4th class, Patna branch road div., is allowed 2 weeks' leave, under the revised uncovenanted serv. absentee rules, prep. to proc. to Eur. on m.c.

No. 56.—Mr. C. Vassilian, supervisor of the 2nd grade, from the Midnapore div. to the 1st div., grand trunk road.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Head Quarters, Calcutta, Feb. 9.—The under-mentioned officers are appointed to do duty as specified:—

Maj. H. D. Maunsell, late 62nd N.I., to continue doing duty at the Kussowlee convalescent depot during the ensuing hot season.

Capt. G. T. Jones, late 85th N.I., with the 1st batt. 7th foot.

Appointments:—

16th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. E. J. Webber, doing duty officer, 10th Bengal cav., to be 3rd squadron officer, v. Clifford, app. adjt.; dated Jan. 24.

23rd N.I.—Lieut. H. E. Eliot, gen. list, inf., doing duty with the 31st N.I., to be doing duty officer, v. Grant, res.; dated Jan. 23.

31st N.I.—Lieut. W. Cabell, doing duty with the 30th N.I., to be adjt., v. O'Donel, prom.; dated Jan. 24.

48rd N.I.—Maj. G. A. Williams, staff corps, to be 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Gowan, res.; dated Jan. 23.

Chinsurah Depot.—Lieut. P. Gill, v.c., unatt., to be qmrm., v. Forbes, retired from the service, dated Jan. 24.

Asst. surg. A. F. S. Clarke, M.D., transf. from the 42nd foot to the 16th brig. royal art., will proceed to join F battery. 16th brig. royal art., at Dinapore.

Asst. surg. W. C. Boyd, 14th brig. royal art., on being relieved of med. charge of F battery. 16th brig. royal art., will proceed to join C battery. 14th brig., at Kamptee, to which he has been posted.

Lieut. F. B. Prinsep, of the 21st hussars, is to be considered as having proceeded under orders from Horse Guards on Nov. 13 last, to join the depot of his regt. in England, doing duty with invalids on the passage home.

Ensign R. T. Birch, of the 1st batt. 20th foot, is directed to do duty with the 19th hussars for instruction in equitation.

The 17 mo. leave to England, granted to Lieut. W. G. Buller, of the 94th foot, in G.O.C.C. of Nov. 14 last, is canc. at that officer's request.

The following Meerut station orders are confirmed:—

Dated Nov. 30 last.—Directing Col. W. F. Beatson, of the Bengal inf., to assume command of the station, v. Maj. gen. F. Wheler, C.B., proc. on insp. duty.

Dated Dec. 26 last.—Directing Col. W. F. Beatson, of the Bengal inf., to assume command of the station, v. Maj. gen. F. Wheler, C.B., proc. on duty.

Dated the 3rd ult.—Appg. Maj. R. G. Simeon, asst. adjt. gen. of the div., to offic. as brig. maj. in addition to his other duties, v. Maj. H. F. Brooke, of the 48th foot, appd. to the div. staff.

The following Dum Dum station order is confirmed:—

Dated Dec. 28 last.—Appointing Lieut. and adjt. S. G. Huskisson, 80th foot, to act as station staff, in add. to his other duties, there being no qualified officer available, v. Lieut. G. T. Miller, 48th foot, proc. to England, with effect from 29th idem.

Orders confirmed:—

Kossowlee station order, dated Oct. 28 last, making the following arrangements during the absence on duty of Col. R. Pratt.

Col. H. G. Buller, 94th foot, to assume com. of the station.

Lieut. H. G. Saunders, of the late 3rd Eur. regt., to assume com. of the depot.

Nyne Tal depot order, dated Nov. 8 last, directing Asst. surg. R. R. Scott to receive medical charge of the depot hospital from Asst. surg. A. Guthrie, M.D., proc. in medical charge of invalids.

Chinsurah depot order, dated Nov. 30 last, directing Lieut. W. Hartrick, 1st batt. 7th foot, to offic. as adjt., v. Lieut. H. H. Oldham, 48th foot, with effect from 1st ult.

Julpigoree station order, dated Dec. 3 last, directing Lieut. J. R. Marett, officg. adjt. 18th N.I., to offic. as station staff, and to receive charge of the boat estab., v. Lieut. A. R. Loughnan, proceeded on field service.

Berhampore station order, dated Dec. 6 last, directing Lieut. W. E. Rutherford, of the 17th N.I., station staff, to take over charge of the post guns of the station from Lieut. G. F. D. Sutton, royal art., proceeded to join his batty.

Sirhind div. order, dated Dec. 10 last, directing Asst. surg. A. Eteson, of the 18th Bengal cav., to afford med. aid to the detachment of the 2nd Goorkhas, arrived under com. of Lieut. S. E. Becher.

Sealkote station order, dated Dec. 13 last, directing Col. A. Scudamore, C.B., of the 7th hussars, to assume com. of the station.

Jubbulpore station order, dated Dec. 13 last, directing Staff asst. surg. A. Thomson, M.D., attached to the 91st foot, to assume med. charge of the A batty. 16th brig. royal art., v. Staff asst. surg. A. M. Tippetts.

Fyzabad brig. order, dated Dec. 15 last, appg. Asst. surg. E. Hoile, M.D., of the 1st batt. 11th foot, to the med. charge of the brig. and station staff in add. to his other duties, v. Asst. surg. S. H. Hala-han, M.D., A batty. 11th brig. royal art.

Dacca station order, dated Dec. 31 last, appg. Asst. surg. G. A. Watson, of the 5th native inf., to the tempy. med. charge of the civil duties of the station, v. Surg. maj. C. Archer, res.

Bhaugulpore station order, dated the 6th ult., appg. Asst. surg. A. G. Crewe to assume med. charge of the 7th Bengal cav., v. Surg. J. J. Clarke, proc. on m.c.

Dinapore brig. order, dated the 6th ult., appg. Maj. C. F. G. Lamb, staff corps, to act as station interp., with effect from the 1st idem., v. Lieut. H. S. Simeon, of the 27th foot.

Muttra station order, dated the 10th ult., appg. Cornet and Adj. A. Deane, 2nd dragoon guards, to offic. as station staff, there being no qualified officer available.

H.R.H. the Field Marshal C. in C. has been pleased to grant leave to the underment. officers:—8rd Drag. Guards.—Capt. H. F. Richmond, from Oct. 28, 1864, to Feb. 28, to remain in England.

79th Foot.—Col. R. M. Best, from Nov. 18 to Dec. 4, 1864, to remain in England.

60th Foot.—Lieut. C. G. Fryer (3rd batt.), from Oct. 18, 1864, to March 1, to remain in England.

With reference to G.O.C.C. dated 20th ult., the leave granted to Asst. surg. T. Walsh, of the 12th foot, in G.O. of the 24th idem., is canc.

The following Benares div. orders are confirmed:—Dated the 9th ult.—Directing Asst. surg. J. H. N. Bracken, royal art., to continue in med. charge of the 54th foot, proceeding to Calcutta.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Horse Art.—Capt. J. R. Sladen (A batty. C brig.), from date of embarkation, to England, preceding his batty. by the overland route.

Royal Art.—Capt. G. R. Brown, No. 4 batty. 22nd brigade, from Nov. 10 last to Aug. 10, in ext., to remain in England.

17th Lancers.—Capt. C. Waymouth, from Jan. 1 to Jan. 8, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain at Poona.

18th Hussars.—Capt. H. E. Malet, from Dec. 12 last to Jan. 20, to Barrackpore.

12th Foot.—Capt. H. P. Pearson, 2nd batt., from Dec. 1 last to Jan. 31, to remain in Calcutta, to study the native languages.

20th Foot.—Lieut. G. E. Bolger, 1st batt., offic. paymr., from date of leaving regt., to Calcutta, for 1 mo., m.c.

88th Foot.—Capt. R. J. Stansfeld, from date of embarkation, to England, for 1 year; and Ensign L. W. Lee, from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, m.c., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

42nd Foot.—Major J. Drysdale, from Jan. 5 to March 5, to Calcutta, m.c.

48th Foot.—Asst. surg. T. Maunsell, from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, m.c.

71st Foot.—Capt. J. I. Macdonell, Lieut. J. H. Campbell (adjt.), and Ensign F. Brodie, from date of embarkation, to England, preceding their regt. by overland route.

93rd Foot.—Col. R. L. Ross, C.B., from Sept. 30 last, in ext., to remain in England, pending transfer to half pay.

107th Foot.—Capt. A. L. Nicholson, from date of embarkation, to England, via either route, m.c.

Gen. List, Inf.—Lieut. A. Harden (att. to 15th

N.I.). from Jan. 1 to Feb. 15, in ext. of priv. leave, to Calcutta, to study the native languages.

Vet. Dept.—*Vet. surg. M. J. Marshall*, C royal horse brigade, from date of embark. to England, preceding his brigade by the overland route.

LEAVE TO COUNT AS SERVICE.

Feb. 1.—Under instructions from the Govt., the C. in C. is pleased to notify that for the future all officers who consider they have a claim to count their leave as service, under the provisions of G.G.O. No. 1133 of 1857, are to advance it when they appear before the standing medical committee in Calcutta, Bombay, or port of embark. to obtain the leave.

2. When such claim is preferred, the standing medical committee will append to the certificate they now grant a further certificate showing whether in their opinion the officer is or is not entitled to count as service the leave in question.

The following officers are appd. to do duty with troops proceeding to England on board the *Alwick Castle*:—

To Command.—*Maj. W. B. Battiscombe*, of the 1st foot.

To do Duty.—*Capt. R. C. Low*, 2nd in com. and squadron officer, of the 13th Bengal cav.

Capt. E. F. Gregory, of the 98th foot.

Capt. E. B. Burnaby, of the 51st foot.

Lieut. E. C. Steer, late 3rd Madras European regt.

Lieut. M. Tucker, of the 2nd batn. 19th foot.

In Medical Charge.—*Staff surg. E. Touch*, M.D.

The services of the comdg. and medical officers are placed at the disposal of the qmr. gen. for transport duty.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following proms., until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

2nd Batn. 21st Foot.—*Lieut. E. Lewis* to be capt., by pur., v. Gaskell, who rets.; dated Jan. 23.

Ens. J. Davidson to be lieut., by pur., v. Lewis, prom.; dated Jan. 23.

The retirement from the service, by the sale of his commission, of *Lieut. G. H. Bacchus*, 7th drag. guards, is accepted, subject to approval by H.M.; dated Jan. 23.

Appointments:—

3rd Goorkhas.—*Lieut. F. F. Rowcroft*, offic. wing officer, 4th Goorkhas, to officiate as wing officer during the absence on m.c. of *Maj. Lyster*, v.c., or until further orders; dated Jan. 16.

4th Goorkhas.—*Lieut. and adjt. C. J. Garstin* to officiate as wing officer, v. Rowcroft, transf. to the 3rd Goorkhas; dated Jan. 16.

The undermen officers are appd. to do duty as specified:—

Capt. A. H. Prinsep, late 4th European L.C., to do duty with the 6th Bengal cav.

Capt. A. Waterfield, late 4th European L.C., to do gen. duty at Morar (Gwalior).

Capt. H. A. Prinsep, late 3rd European regt., to do gen. duty at Agra (with effect from Nov. 1).

Capt. the Hon. J. H. Fraser, late 4th European regt., to do gen. duty at Agra.

Capt. J. H. Tyler, late 20th N.I., to do gen. duty at Meerut.

Capt. R. D. Griffin, late 64th native inf., to do gen. duty at Meerut.

Under the provisions of G.G.O. No. 1,113 of 1857, *Lieut. W. Battye*, late 6th Eur. regt. and wing officer corps of guides, is, with the sanc. of Govt., perm. to count as serv. for pension 18 mo. of the sick leave granted to him in G.G.O. No. 470 of 1864.

Lieut. W. C. Farwell, gen. list inf., doing duty with the 4th native inf., is transf. to the 25th native inf. at Delhi, and directed to join.

H.E. the C. in C. is pleased to direct the following arrangements in the veterinary dept.:—

Vet. Surg. J. Quallett, from E batty. 16th brig. royal art., at Allahabad, to F batty. F royal horse brig. at Sealkote.

Vet. surg. J. Field, lately returned from Eur., to E batty. 16th brig. royal art., at Allahabad.

Staff Asst. surg. J. Fleming will, on arrival at Futtygurh, report himself to the officer comdg. for duty with the wing of the 1st batt. 20th foot, at a station.

Lieut. J. Scancell G.O. dated 20th ult., directing *Asst. surg. Fleming* to do duty with royal art. at Futtygurh.

The following presidency division orders are confirmed:—

Dated 19th idem.—Directing *Lieut. W. D. Mac-turk*, late 64th N.I., to do duty with the 54th foot.

Dated 21st idem.—Directing *Lieut. R. G. Birch*, late 1st Eur. L.C., to proceed to Lucknow for duty

in the Oude division, and *Asst. surg. W. Hillman*, royal art., to accompany a detachment of troops proceeding up country as far as Umritsur.

Dated the 23rd idem.—Directing *Majs. R. W. Chambers* and *T. C. Darnell*, staff corps, the former to proceed to Benares and the latter to Allahabad for duty.

The following Lahore division orders are confirmed:—

Dated Nov. 17 last.—Directing the following med. arrangements, for the detachment of invalids and time-expired men proceeding from Umritsur and Meean Meer towards Kurrahee:—

Asst. surg. P. Quinlan, of the 90th foot, to assume med. charge.

Dated Nov. 27 last.—Directing *Asst. surg. C. Ricketts* to proceed and assume med. charge of the C batty. 19th brig. R.A., at Umritsur.

Dated Dec. 1 last.—Directing *Staff asst. surg. J. F. Beattie*, att. to the 1st batn. 7th foot, to assume medical charge of a detachment of invalids proceeding from Ferozepore to Mooltan, and to return thence to the former station.

Dated the 3rd idem.—Directing *Lieut. T. P. Lloyd*, of the 93rd foot, to continue to do duty with the detachment of invalids from Sealkote as far as Mooltan, and thence to return to his regt.

Dated the 10th idem.—Directing *Lieut. G. P. Cumming*, late 4th European regt., to do duty with the detachment of invalids under command of *Maj. Miller*, as far as Mooltan, returning thence to Lahore.

The following Meerut div. orders are confirmed:—

Dated Nov. 10 last.—Appgtg. the following officers to command and do duty with detachments of invalids and time-expired men proceeding to the presidency.

Meerut and Roorkee Party.—*Capt. J. B. B. Coulson*, 2nd batt. rifle brigade, to com.

Capt. R. A. Napper, late 55th N.I., to do duty.

Lieut. G. E. Bolger, 1st batt. 20th foot, to do duty.

Delhi Party.—*Lieut. N. W. D. Pringle*, 38th foot, to do duty.

Agra and Muttra Party.—*Capt. R. Clarke*, 7th drag. gds., to com.

Lieut. H. F. Seagram, 1st batt. 23rd foot, to do duty.

Futtehghurh Party.—*Lieut. C. H. Pickering*, E batty. 11th brig. R.A., to do duty.

Landour Party.—*Lieut. R. Hoskins*, 77th foot, to do duty.

Dated Nov. 26.—Directing *Asst. surg. T. Maunsell*, of the 48th foot, to do duty with the Delhi party of invalids and time-expired men proc. to the pres.

The following Murree station orders are confirmed:—

Dated Oct. 13 last.—Appgtg. *Capt. C. J. Mounsey*, 71st foot, to offic. as station staff officer, v. *Maj. J. Morland*, proc. on leave, with effect from 10th idem.

Dated Dec. 1 last.—Appointing *Capt. J. M. Mackenzie*, staff corps, to offic. as station staff officer, v. *Capt. C. J. Mounsey*, res.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Art.—*Lieut. col. D. J. Kinloch*, Bombay, from date of embarkation to England, for 15 mo.; 2nd *Capt. P. H. Harcourt*, A batty. 18th brig., from Feb. 9 to Nov. 9, and *Lieut. col. F. Conybeare*, C batty. 18th brig., from Feb. 27 to Nov. 27, in ext., to remain at sea and the colonies, on m.c.

7th Hussars.—*Lieut. col. A. F. Steele*, from Jan. 1 to Feb. 28, in ext.

23rd Foot.—*Surg. maj. P. S. Laing*, 1st batt., from date of embarkation to England, on m.c.—overland route.

83rd Foot.—*Maj. A. S. Cooper*, from date of leaving regt., for 1 year, to proc. to the hills north of Deyrah, on m.c.

85th Foot.—*Capt. W. W. Sherlock* (interp.) from Dec. 15, 1864, to Feb. 20, to remain at Calcutta to study the native languages.

36th Foot.—*Qmr. J. Brookes*, from Oct. 20, 1864, to April 20, to proc. to England with the view of retiring from the serv. (In substitution of G.O.C.C. dated Dec. 12 last.

56th Foot.—*Capt. H. Eccles*, from date of embark. to England via Egypt, on m.c.

71st Foot.—*Lieut. col. A. C. Parker*, from date of embark., to precede his regt. to England by the overland route.

Late 4th Eur. Regt.—*Lieut. C. D. P. Nott*, doing duty 23rd N.I., from Dec. 31, 1864, to Feb. 28, to Calcutta, on m.c.

General List Inf.—*Lieut. C. H. Forster*, attached to 32nd N.I., from Jan. 1 to April 30, to Calcutta to study the native languages.

REDUCTIONS IN THE ARTILLERY.

Feb. 10.—The Sec. of State for India, with the concurrence of H.R.H. the Field Marshal C. in C., having decided on a reduction of the royal art. in Bengal, the following arrangements, for which the sanction of the Govt. of India has been obtained, will be carried out.

No. 6 batty. 25th brig., being the junior batty. in Bengal, to be reduced on its return from field service.

E, F, and G batteries 22nd brig., being the jun. field batteries in Bengal, to be converted into garrison batteries.

Further orders will be issued as to the stations of these batteries, and detailed instructions will be sent to the officers comdg. royal art., respecting the distribution of the surplus non-commissioned officers, artificers, and drivers.

Feb. 13.—The following officers are appd. to a detachment of invalids and time-expired men proceeding to England on board the *Renown*:—

To Command.—*Major F. S. Roberts*, v.c., royal art.

To do Duty.—*Major R. A. Napper*, late 55th N.I. *Capt. J. B. B. Coulson*, 2nd batt. rifle brig.

Lieut. J. M. Douglas, D batty. 11th brig. roy. art. *Ensign L. W. Lee*, 38th foot.

In Med. Charge.—The surg. of the *Renown*.

The services of the comdg. and med. officers are placed at the disposal of the qmr. gen. for transport duty.

Maj. R. Larkins is, at his own request, perm. to resign his appt. of 2nd in com. and wing officer of the 18th N.I., dated Jan. 27.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to accept the resignation of his commission, by *Lieut. R. Brown*, of the 107th foot, subject to confirmation by H.M., dated Jan. 27.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the foll. appts., until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

3rd Drag. Gds.—*Cornet W. Watt*, from the 17th light drags., to be cornet, v. *Donnithorne*, who exchanges, dated Feb. 2.

17th Light Drags.—*Cornet A. B. Donnithorne*, from the 3rd drag. gds., to be cornet, v. *Watt*, who exchanges, dated Feb. 2.

38th Foot.—*Ens. H. C. H. Man*, from the 81st foot, to be ens., v. *J. W. Smith*, who exchanges, dated Jan. 23.

48th Foot.—*Brev. maj. H. J. Wilkin*, from the 94th foot, to be capt., v. *Brooke*, who exchanges, dated Jan. 30.

66th Foot.—*Lieut. J. E. Whitehead*, from the 105th foot, to be lieut., v. *Kelly*, who exchanges, dated Jan. 23.

81st Foot.—*Ens. J. W. Smith*, from the 28th foot, to be ensign, v. *Man*, who exchanges, dated Jan. 23.

94th Foot.—*Brev. maj. H. F. Brooke*, from the 48th foot, to be capt., v. *Wilkin*, who exchanges, dated Jan. 30.

105th Foot.—*Lieut. T. Kelly*, from the 66th foot, to be lieut., v. *Whitehead*, who exchanges, dated Jan. 23.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the foll. proms., until H.M.'s pleasure is known:—

48th Foot.—*Capt. J. R. Lovett* to be maj., without purchase, v. *Pownall*, dec., dated Dec. 29.

Lieut. R. Eyre to be capt., without purchase, v. *Lovett*, prom., dated Dec. 29.

Ens. W. P. Battye to be lieut., without purchase, v. *Eyre*, prom., dated Dec. 29.

56th Foot.—*Lieut. R. T. Thompson* to be capt., by purchase, v. *Cumming*, who retires, dated Sept. 26.

Ens. W. F. H. Jones to be lieut., by purchase, v. *Thompson*, prom., dated Dec. 26.

This cancels the prom. of *Lieut. Charley* and *Ens. Wood*, published in G.O.C.C. Oct. 15, 1864.

66th Foot.—*Lieut. J. H. Mardon* to be capt., by purch., v. *Storey*, who retires; dated Jan. 26, 1865.

Ens. W. L. Beattie to be lieut., by purch., v. *Mardon*, prom.; dated Jan. 26, 1865.

97th Foot.—*Ens. F. H. Vigne* to be lieut., by purch., v. *Davies*, who retires; dated Feb. 2, 1865.

Surg. J. C. Corbyn, M.B., offic. garrison surg. of Chunar, is confirmed in his appt., with effect from Dec. 23, 1863, the date on which he assumed med. charge of the garrison.

Asst. surg. J. J. Chappell, M.D., 2nd drag. guards, will assume med. charge of that corps, as a temp. arrangement, pending the arrival of a staff surg.

The 2 mo. leave to Calcutta, granted to *Lieut. col. E. K. Money*, R.A., in G.O.C.C. Dec. 9, 1864, is hereby canc., the same having been commuted to priv. leave.

Capt. S. Boulderson, late 5th Eur. cav., now with the 7th Bengal cav., is directed to do gen. duty at Meerut, on the expiration of his present leave.

Lieut. J. F. FitzG. Cologan, late 22nd N.I., is permitted to resign his appt. of doing duty officer, sappers and miners, and is directed to do gen. duty at Futtehgurh.

The following Barrackpore station orders are confirmed:—

Dated Dec. 8 last.—Appg. Lieut. F. R. A. B. Constable, doing duty East Indian regt., to offic. as station staff, v. Capt. C. H. Griffin, 98th foot, res.

The following Oude division orders are confirmed:—

Dated Dec. 14 last.—Directing Lieut. H. M. Clarkson, gen. list, inf., to do duty with the 2nd N.I. The following orders are confirmed:—

By the officer commanding the 34th foot, dated the 1st ult., appg. Lieut. P. Walker to offic. as interpreter in addition to his other duties.

Benares division order dated the 2nd ult., directing Maj. G. C. Synge, 52nd foot, to continue to offic. as asst. adj. gen. of the division.

By the officer commanding the 3rd batt. rifle brig., dated the 5th ult., appg. Lieut. H. A. St. J. Mildmay to offic. as qrmr., v. Qrmr. H. Harvey, app. paymr. 2nd batt. rifle brig.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Lieut. col. G. Jackson (commandant 2nd Bengal cav.), from Feb. 28 to March 28, to Calcutta, prep. to leave to Eur. on m.c.

Royal Horse Art.—Asst. surg. F. E. McFarland (D baty. C brig.), from Jan. 1 to May 1, in ext., to remain at Meerut, and visit the hills north of Dehra, on m.c. Lieut. T. Ryan (A baty. F brig.), from date of embarkation, to England for 15 mo.

Royal Art.—Col. D. Reid (24th brig.), from Dec. 31, 1864, to March 31, in ext., prep. to retiring from the service, and Maj. C. H. Strutt (18th brig.), from Jan. 1 to March 1, to Bombay, on m.c.

2nd Drag. Gds.—Surg. T. F. Wall, from date of embarkation, to England via the Cape, on m.c.

19th Foot.—Maj. G. B. Jennings (1st batln.) from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, m.c.

20th Foot.—Lieut. G. E. Bolgar (1st batln.) from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, m.c.

38th Foot.—Ens. C. A. S. Menteath, from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, m.c.

42nd Foot.—Maj. J. Drysdale, from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, m.c.

52nd Foot.—Maj. G. C. Synge, from date of embarkation, to England, preceding his regt. by the overland route.

91st Foot.—Capt. J. E. Burton, from date of embarkation, to England, for 15 mo.

Late 4th European Regt.—Capt. E. R. C. Wilcox, from Oct. 15 to Jan. 15, to remain at Almorah.

Late 30th N.I.—Maj. S. Sage (2nd in command and wing officer, 37th N.I.) from Jan. 10 to Jan. 18, in ext., to remain in Calcutta till embarkation.

Gen. List Inf.—Lieut. H. Wylie (att. to 13th Bengal cav.) from Feb. 1 to March 31, in ext., to remain in Calcutta to study the native languages.

Military Letters.

MAJOR GEN. J. R. SMYTH.

No. 158.—The following military letter from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, No. 402, dated Dec. 24, 1864, is published for general information:—

Military.—No. 402.

India-office, London, Dec. 24, 1864.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

SIR,—I have to inform you that her Majesty has been pleased to approve of Maj. gen. J. R. Smyth, C.B., being placed upon the staff of the army as a major general, with the view to his commanding a division in the Madras Presidency, in succession to Maj. gen. W. A. McCleverty, whose period of service will expire on April 1, 1865.—I have, &c.,

(Signed)

C. Wood.

SURGEONS IN THE ARTILLERY.

Feb. 13.—No. 159.—The following military letter from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, No. 403, Dec. 24, 1864, is published for general information:—

Military.—No. 403.

India-office, London, Dec. 24, 1864.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

SIR,—In my despatch, dated Aug. 8, 1863, No. 29, para. 7, I informed you that I had suggested to the Secretary of State for War that the surgeons of the new brigades of artillery and new line regiments should be supplied from the Indian service as hereto-

fore, until the arrangements for the future organisation of the Indian Medical Service shall have been determined upon.

2. I learn from a recent communication from the War-office that the new line regiments, with only three exceptions, together with four brigades of horse artillery, and nine of foot, serving in India, are reported to be without permanent surgeons, and that H.R.H. the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief, apprehending that serious inconvenience might ensue, has recommended that surgeons should be at once appointed from the British establishment to those brigades and regiments which are at present unprovided.

3. I have informed Earl de Grey, in reply, that I consider the time to have arrived when arrangements should be made for appointing surgeons to the new brigades of artillery and new line regiments, as vacancies occur for them, from the British medical establishment, and I have requested that all present vacancies might be filled up from that establishment without delay.

4. I request that the necessary instructions may be given with a view to carrying into effect this arrangement.—I have, &c.,

(Signed)

C. Wood.

NEW MEDICAL BOARD.

No. 160.—The following military letter from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India, dated December 24, 1864, is published for general information and guidance:—

Military.—No. 411.

India-office, London, Dec. 24, 1864.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

SIR,—With a view to assimilating, as nearly as possible, the system under which officers of H.M.'s Indian forces are subjected to medical examination with that which obtains in the British service at home, H.M.'s Government have, in communication with H.R.H. the Field Marshal C. in C., arranged for the formation of a Board of Medical Officers, to be composed of a president, being the present consulting physician to this office, and two members—one to be appointed from among the officers of the Indian Medical Service who may be on leave in this country, and the other to be an officer of the British Medical Department, nominated by the Horse Guards.

2. I request that you will cause it to be notified in General Orders that in future it will be necessary for all officers of H.M.'s Indian army, or of the several Staff Corps, being on leave in Europe, who may desire to appear before the Medical Board, with a view of obtaining such certificates as the regulations of the service may require in their several cases, to apply for permission to do so to the Military Department of this office.—I have, &c.,

(Signed)

C. Wood.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

From Feb. 12 to March 1.

Mr. J. D. Mayne, asst. sec. to Govt., in the legislative dept., leave of abs. for 9 mo., to Eur., on m.c.

Mr. J. E. Armstrong, acting head asst. coll. of Tinnevely, for 15 mo., to Europe, on m.c.

Mr. J. W. Reid, acting sub coll. and joint mag. of Bellary, priv. leave for 3 mo.

The services of Capt. W. H. Edgcome, R.E., are placed temp. at the disposal of the Govt. of India for employ in British Burmah.

Capt. H. T. Rogers, R.E., to act as principal of the Civil Engineering College, during the employment of Capt. W. H. Edgcome on other duty, without prejudice to his duties in the public works dept.

Mr. E. F. Webster to be head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kurnool, but to continue to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Cuddapah, during the employment of Mr. McQuhae on other duty.

Mr. J. F. Snaith to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of North Arcot.

Mr. C. G. Master to act as sub sec. to the Board of Revenue, during the employment of Mr. Dalryell on other duty.

Mr. J. Grose to act as under sec. to the Govt. in the revenue dept. during the employment of Mr. Master on other duty.

Mr. O. B. Irvine to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of South Arcot, during the employment of Mr. Hutchins on other duty.

Mr. E. F. Webster to act as sub coll. and jt. mag. of Bellary during absence of Mr. H. S. Reid on leave.

Lieut. C. D. Baynes, asst. superint. of revenue survey, 2nd grade, is promoted to 1st grade.

Mr. A. R. Hutchins to act as district registrar of assurances of the Kristna district while acting as sub coll. and jt. mag. of that district.

The services of Asst. surg. E. McL. Ross, zillah surg. of Honore, are placed at the disposal of the Government of India for medical charge of Chandah, Central Provinces.

Capt. F. F. R. Bishop, 38th regt. N.I., to act as asst. superint. of police in Kurnool district, v. Lieut. Wilton.

Lieut. col. T. Greenaway, staff corps, to be superint. engr., 6th division, as a temp. measure.

Lieut. col. J. Temple to be president of the Board of Municipal Commissioners for the town of Madras.

Lieut. H. S. Court, Madras staff corps, act. adjt. of the depot at Poonamallee, to be a lay trustee of that chaplaincy.

Lieut. col. T. H. Campbell, of the royal (Madras) art., acting superint. gun carriage manufactory, to be superint. gun carriage manufactory, v. Col. J. Maitland.

Capt. C. O'Donoghue, H.M.'s 76th foot, is appd. to act as chief insp. of musketry, from the date of embark., and during the absence on furl. of Capt. the Hon. J. B. J. Dormer, or until further orders.

The undermen. officers will do duty with the invalids returning to England in the ship *Lord Warden*, under the command of Capt. J. Bradish, 105th foot:

Lieut. J. Healey, Lieut. J. W. M. Hall, and Lieut. J. E. Whitehead, 66th foot.

Lieut. (brev. capt.) R. A. Walters, late 50th N.I., is appd. acting interp. to the 2nd batt. 10th foot.

Returned to duty:—

Capt. (brev. maj.) R. G. Lewis, 31st regt. L.I. arrived at Madras on Feb. 15.

Leave of absence:—

Lieut. col. G. G. MacDonell, of the 30th regt. N.I., is perm. to proc. to Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta on furl.

1st Regt. L.C.—Maj. H. E. Dyneley, from March 1 to June 30, to Ramandroog.

Cav. Gen. List.—Lieut. F. M. Onslow, doing duty 3rd regt. L.C., from March 15 to July 15, the first 60 days to be priv. leave, to the Neilgherries.

Late 46th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. R. B. Cummins, doing duty 11th regt. N.I., from continuation till April 30, to Cuttack, S.C.

Surg. maj. D. Macfarlane, M.D., garrison surg., Fort St. George; Capt. W. C. Palmer, staff corps, acting exec. engr., 1st class; and Lieut. E. G. Morragh, 38th regt. N.I., on m.c. to Europe for 20 mo. under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Royal Art.—Lieut. F. H. Thompson, D baty. D brig., from date of embarkation to England, by the overland route, on m.c.

Capt. J. McNeill, acting adjt. 17th brig. R.A., from date of embarkation to England, by the overland route, on m.c.

Capt. W. Rose, staff corps, doing duty sappers and miners, and 2nd Capt. J. Makgill, royal (Madras) engr., asst. engr., 1st class, Godavery district, on m.c. for 20 mo., under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Maj. (brev. lieut. col.) J. Wilson, 26th regt. N.I., doing duty 1st regt. N.I., on residue of furl. for 10 mo. and 13 days, to Europe, under furl. regs. of 1854, from date of his embarkation from Bombay.

Capt. H. Fraser, staff corps, 2nd Asst. Resident at Hyderabad, for 6 mo., to Europe, without pay, and to embark from Bombay.

Capt. W. G. Grove, 32nd regt. N.I., supnt. of police, 2nd grade, British Burmah, has been perm. to proceed to Europe on m.c. for 20 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Rangoon.

27th Regt. N.I.—Capt. (brevet maj.) J. Orr, from March 1 to Aug. 31, the first 60 days to be priv. leave—Bangalore, private affairs.

32nd Regt. N.I.—Capt. (brevet major) L. Grant, from March 1 to June 30, the first 60 days to be priv. leave—Chiculda, private affairs.

18th Royal Irish.—Capt. R. M. Hornby, 1st batt., to England on m.c., for the purpose of appearing before a med. board; he will report his arrival to the Adjt. gen., Horse Guards. This officer is reported unfit to do duty with troops on the voyage.

Staff Corps.—Capt. W. Rose, doing duty sappers and miners, for 1 mo., from date of departure—Madras, m.c.

Royal Art.—2nd Capt. G. F. Blair, C baty. D brig., to England on m.c.; he will report his arrival to the Adjt. gen., Horse Guards. This officer is reported unfit to do duty with troops on the voyage. Inf., Gen. List.—Lieut. H. M. Dale, doing duty 25th regt. N.I., from Feb. 15, or date of departure, to Aug. 15; Madras.

Royal Art.—Lieut. R. T. Hamond, B batty. D brigade, from March 15 or date of departure, for 3 mo., the first 60 days to be priv. leave; Nirmul.

16th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. (brev. capt.) R. S. Gray, from Feb. 14, or date of departure, to Aug. 15; Neilgherries, m.c.

76th Regt.—Ensign W. Gillilan, from Feb. 6 to May 5; Neilgherries, m.c.

No. 64.—Lieut. J. T. M. Armstrong, staff corps, A.D.C. to officer comg. Northern division, has leave to Europe, m.c., for 15 mo., under furlough regulations of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Asst. surg. J. S. Morton, M.D., 86th regt. N.I., has furl. for 20 mo., under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Bombay.

Retirement:—

Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals C. I. Smith, L.R.C.P.L., is perm. to retire from the serv. on a pension of £550 per annum, from Feb. 28:—

Passed the Native Languages.

The undermen. officers and non comsd. officers have been examined in the Hindoostanee language: Qualified for the gen. staff, under para. 11, G.O.C.C. July 6, 1853, No. 36:—

Capt. A. K. Kenney, gen. list, doing duty 1st regt. L.C., Bellary.

Lieut. W. Chisholm, 40th regt. N.I., Cannanore.

Ens. J. Davidson, 2nd batt. 21st fus., Bellary.

Ens. F. W. Graham, 108th foot, Secunderabad.

Ens. C. B. Cooke, 108th foot, Secunderabad, creditable progress.

Passed the examination prescribed for officers of troops, companies, and for medical charge:—

Lieut. W. D. B. Ketchen, gen. list, doing duty 3rd regt. L.C., Kamptee.

Lieut. H. Cracroft, gen. list, doing duty 3rd regt. L.C., Kamptee.

Lieut. F. M. Onslow, gen. list, doing duty 3rd regt. L.C., Kamptee.

Lieut. W. C. Ellis, gen. list, doing duty 23rd regt. L.C., Secunderabad.

Qualified for the gen. staff, under para. 11, G.O.C.C., July 6, 1853, No. 46:—

Lieut. H. W. Hastings, R.A., Wellington.

Lieut. H. W. Blair, 105th regt., Trichinopoly.

Passed the examination prescribed for officers of companies:—

Lieut. J. T. Cummins, G.L., doing duty 34th regt. L.I., Singapore.

Proms.—Surg. maj. R. H. Rennick, to be dep. insp. gen. of hospitals, with effect from the date of Dep. insp. gen. C. J. Smith's retirement.

Brevet.—Lieut. P. Burgess, 33rd regt. N.I.; and Lieut. G. C. Foord, 7th regt. N.I.—To be capt. from Feb. 20.

Medical Dept.—Asst. surg. W. H. Harris, M.D., to be surg., from Feb. 13.

The Staff Corps.

The undermen. officers having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provisions of paras. 2 and 7 of G.O.G.G. No. 531 of 1864, republished in Madras G.O.G. July 22, No. 276, are admitted thereto from the dates specified against their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India.

Capt. (Brev. maj.) C. H. Coote, cadre 52nd regt. N.I., superint. 3rd class British Burmah police—Feb. 22, 1861

Lieut. (Brev. capt.) W. Robertson, 5th regt. N.I., superint. Mofussil police, Godavery dist., late adjt. Rajahmundry Subandies—Feb. 19, 1861.

Lieut. G. C. Bird, 35th regt. N.I., adjt. 5th Punjab irregular cav.—Feb. 19, 1861.

Lieut. C. J. O. Fitzgerald, cadre 42nd regt. N.I., adjt. 3rd cav. Hyderabad contingent, and late doing duty officer and adjt., Central India horse—Feb. 19, 1861.

Lieut. J. C. Gunning, 25th regt. N.I., sub asst. comy. gen. 1st class, and late qmr. of his regt.; Oct. 26, 1861.

Lieut. H. G. Puckle, having completed 12 years' service, 4 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt. from Feb. 17, 1865, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Capt. R. H. Bolton, having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from Feb. 20, 1865, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Capt. W. FitzW. Read, having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from Feb. 11, 1865, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

The undermen. officer having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provisions of paras. 2 and 7 of G.O.G.G. No. 531 of 1864, repub. in Madras G.O.G., July 22, 1864, No. 276, is admitted

thereto from the date specified against his name, subject to the app. of H.M.'s Secy. of State for India:—

Lieut. C. L. Highmoor, 37th regt. gren., to be superint. of police, North Arcot dist., from June 21, 1861.

Removal:—

Capt. J. L. Benwell, staff corps; Lieut. F. J. Lawder, gen. list; Lieut. W. Miller, gen. list; Lieut. M. H. Wratislaw, gen. list, from doing duty 14th regt. N.I. to 7th regt. N.I.; on duty at the public expense.

Pensions of Uncovenanted Servants.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

The following despatch from her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for India, with enclosure, is published for general information:—

India Office, London, Jan. 18, 1865.

Financial No. 2.

His Excellency the Hon. the GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL, Bombay.

SIR,—I forward to you a copy of a despatch to the Government of Madras of this day's date, No. 1, on the subject of an appeal by an Uncovenanted Servant in that Presidency, against the enforcement in his case of the new Uncovenanted Service Pension Rules.

2. You will observe that, in certain cases, where the application of the new Rules would render it necessary for an officer, in order to obtain his pension, to serve for a longer period than was required by the old Rules, her Majesty's Government authorise the grant of a pension, under the old Rules, provided that he has not at any time availed himself of the benefits conferred by the new Leave Regulations.—I have the honour to be, &c.,

(Signed) C. Wood.

India Office, London, Jan. 18, 1865.

Financial No. 1.

To H.E. the Hon. the GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL, Fort St. George.

SIR,—I have considered in Council your public letter, dated the 31st of October, 1864, No. 38, forwarding a memorial by Mr. J. G. Ferrand, First Uncovenanted Assistant in the Military Department of the Government Secretariat, praying that the new Uncovenanted Service Pension Rules may not be enforced in his case, but that, when the time arrives for his retirement from the service, he may be allowed the benefit of the former rules.

2. The general tendency of the new rules, so far from causing injury to the members of the Uncovenanted Service, is on the contrary to improve their position. In regard to the grant of pensions to Uncovenanted Servants in the enjoyment of high salaries, it had become necessary to fix a more definite limit than had previously existed; but with this exception, the cases will be comparatively few in which the new rules will not be found more favourable than the old.

3. Mr. Ferrand points out that the application of the new rules might render it necessary for him, in order to obtain a pension, to serve for a longer period than was required by the old rules. In the case of any Uncovenanted Servant so circumstanced, who was appointed prior to the promulgation of the new rules, and whom you may consider entitled to favourable consideration, I shall not object to your granting a pension after he has completed the period of service required by the old rules, in the event of his health rendering it necessary for him to retire from your service. It must, however, be understood that an Uncovenanted Servant will not be allowed to take his pension under the old rules, if he has at any time availed himself of the benefits conferred by the new leave Regulations.

4. In making this communication, I think it necessary to call your attention to the great inconvenience which must result from your asking the decision of the Home Government upon some point of the Pension Rules, with direct reference to an individual whose retirement from the service has not yet taken place. It is a fundamental principle of those rules that the full amount of pension is only to be given as the rewards of approved service. Until an officer retires from the service, it cannot be known what amount of pension the Government will consider him to deserve, and their determination can hardly be unfettered, if a decision has been previously passed by the Home Government on his individual case.—I have the honour to be, &c.,

(Signed) CHARLES WOOD.

By order, E. W. RAVENSCROFT,
Officiating Chief Secy. to Government.
Bombay Castle, Feb. 22, 1865.

BIRTHS.

CARNEY—At Palamcottah, Feb. 14, the wife of Capt. Carney, 39th Regt. N.I., of a daughter.
GRANT—At Madras, Feb. 20, the wife of Capt. Douglas Grant, Staff Corps, of a son.
WICKES—At Calcutta, Feb. 1, the wife of Charles Henry Wickes, Esq., of a son.

MARRIAGES.

ALGAR—NULLY—At Rangoon, Jan. 16, James S. Algar, Captain 60th Rifles, to Jane, third daughter of Werner de Nully, Esq.
BEALE—KEYSAR—At St. James', Calcutta, Feb. 16, Henry Beale to Lucy Keysar.
BROWN—THOMPSON—At St. Thomas' Church, Howrah, Feb. 21, John, eldest son of James Brown, of Bellsbrae, Kilmarnock, Scotland, to Mary, only surviving daughter of the late Andrew Thompson, of Calcutta.
GOOCH—CLARKE—At Madras, Feb. 27, H. Gooch, Esq., of Ootacamund, to Amelia A., youngest daughter of G. Clarke, Esq.
WELDON—SIMPSON—At Ootacamund, Feb. 16, Capt. T. Weldon, 42nd Regt. N.I., to Helen R. L., only child of Col. G. W. Y. Simpson, R.A.

DEATHS.

HAY—At Calcutta, Feb. 4, G. C. Hay, Esq.
HAMILTON—At Retreat-villa, Allahabad, Ethel G. R., the child of J. M. Hamilton, Esq., aged 4 years and 6 months.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c.,
IN H.M.'S REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA.
March 21.

1st Dragoon Guards.—W. N. Sadlier, gent., to be cornet, by purch., v. R. Chalmers, prom; March 21.

2nd Dragoon Guards.—Lieut. F. O'Beirne to be capt., by purch., v. Brev. maj. A. Cassidy, dec., but whose commission is allowed to be sold; Cornet B. Edmonds to be lieut., by purch., v. O'Beirne; C. A. de N. Lucas, gent., to be cornet, by purch., v. Edmonds; March 21.

5th Lancers.—Qrmr. C. Wooden, from 6th dragoons, to be qrmr., v. C. Bedford, dec.; March 21.

Royal Artillery.—Lieut. C. E. K. Money to be col., v. C. S. Reid, removed as a general officer; Capt. and brev. maj. H. Francis to be lieut. col., v. Money; 2nd Capt. A. D. Denniss to be capt., v. Brev. maj. Francis; Lieut. E. Fraser to be 2nd capt., v. Denniss; Jan. 24. Lieut. H. W. Stockley to be 2nd capt., v. M. W. B. S. Pasley, ret. upon half-pay; Feb. 25. Gent. cadet A. G. Walker, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., v. Stockley; Gent. cadet W. Hunter, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., v. G. P. Brown, who resigns; Gent. cadet J. T. Bury, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., v. D. R. Jago, who resigns; Gent. cadet G. T. Fretyman, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., v. E. J. Walker, who resigns; Gent. cadet J. D. E. Huddart, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., v. Fraser; Asst. surg. A. F. Bradshaw, from the rifle brigade, to be asst. surg., v. A. C. M'Tavish, whose appointment from the 60th foot has been can.; March 21.

Royal Engineers.—Capt. F. J. Moberley to be lieut. col., v. Chambers, who retires upon full pay; 2nd Capt. W. H. Edgcome to be capt., v. Moberley; Lieut. H. R. Mead to be 2nd capt., v. Edgcome; Dec. 12. Gent. cadet W. G. Nicholson, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., with temp. rank, v. Mead; March 21.

44th Foot.—Lieut. M. S. Smith to be capt., without purch., v. T. O. Howorth, dec.; Ens. H. H. Tabb to be lieut., without purch., v. M. S. Smith; Jan. 24. Gent. cadet G. Gosselin, from the Royal Military College, to be ensign, without purchase, v. Tabb; March 21.

88th Foot.—Qrmr. T. Lawrence, from half-pay, late 51st foot, to be qrmr., v. M. Evans, dec.; March 21.

98th Foot.—Lieut. T. F. Swinford to be capt., by purch., v. S. H. Heywood, who retires; Ens. A. G. Raper to be lieut., by purch., v. Swinford; Ens. J. A. Corballis to be lieut., by purch., v. J. F. Elton, who retires; D. D. McCausland, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. Raper; March 21. E. T. B. Sparks, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. Corballis; March 22.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

The appointment of Asst. surg. T. Barnwell from the rifle brigade, which appeared in the *Gazette* of Sept. 20, 1864, has been can.

BREVET.

Lieut. col. O. W. S. Chambers, retired full pay, R.E., to be col., the rank being hon. only; Dec. 12.
Major and brev. lieut. col. W. H. Kirby, 9th foot, having completed the qualifying service in the rank of lieut. col., to be colonel, under the Royal Warrant of Oct. 14, 1858; Dec. 29.

Capt. F. A. Smith, 43rd foot, to be maj.; Mar. 21.
In consequence of the promotion of Col. J. M'Coy to the rank of major general, in the *Gazette* of 3rd inst., the undermentioned officers on the retired full-pay list of the R.A., who were senior to him at the time of their retirement, to be major-generals:—

Brev. col. C. H. Burnaby; Feb. 9.
Brev. col. J. G. Walker; Feb. 9.

MEMORANDA.

Mr. T. Lawrence, late qmr. 51st foot, has been reinstated in his former rank in H.M.'s service, and placed upon the half-pay list; March 21.

March 24.

Royal Artillery.

Captains to be Lieut. cols.

E. Atlay, v. W. Maxwell, seconded; Brev. Lieut. col. H. Le G. Bruce, v. H. E. L. Thuillier, seconded; Brev. maj. D. McNeil, v. C. H. Dickens, seconded; Brev. col. E. B. Johnson, c.n.; v. D. C. Vanrenen, seconded; W. C. F. Gosling, v. J. G. Balmain, seconded; C. D. Waddell, from the supernumerary list, v. R. M'Pherson, seconded.

Second Captains to be Captains.

Brev. maj. W. T. Brown, c.n.; v. Atlay; C. M. Mercer, v. Brev. lieut. col. Bruce; D. Thomson, v. Brev. maj. McNeil; Brev. maj. W. Dowell, v. Brev. col. Johnson, c.n.; Brev. maj. M. C. Sankey, v. A. R. Fuller, seconded; H. R. Brownlow, on the supernumerary list; Brev. maj. J. S. Gibb, v. J. Fulton, seconded; F. W. Stubbs, v. Brev. maj. W. T. Brown, c.n., seconded; J. B. Swete, v. Gosling; R. C. Henchy, v. F. Cobbe, seconded; A. J. Ogilvie, v. J. F. A. McNair, seconded; F. St. G. Graeme, v. E. M. Playfair, seconded.

Lieutenants to be Second Captains.

F. E. Lewes, v. Brevet major Brown, c.n.; H. Smithett, v. Mercer; A. Douie, v. Thomson; R. T. Hare, v. Brevet major Dowell; C. E. Nairne, v. Brevet major Sankey; H. Munro, v. Brevet major Gibb; W. Gully, v. Stubbs; H. Chichester, v. H. T. T. Forbes, seconded; D. S. Pemberton, v. C. J. Mead, seconded; W. R. Craster, v. H. A. Mallock, seconded; W. H. Caine, v. Swete; W. Manderson, v. Henchy; C. R. Buckle, v. Ogilvie; M. L. Monckton, v. Graeme; J. Ford, v. H. G. Thomson, seconded; W. W. Benson, v. T. H. Turner, seconded.

Gentlemen Cadets from the Royal Military Academy to be Lieutenants.

S. Smith, v. C. E. H. Symons, who res.; P. K. L. Beaver, v. Lewis; G. R. Godson, v. Smithett; N. Powlett, v. Douie; F. W. H. Medhurst, v. Hare; A. Bell, v. Nairne; J. D. Tyzack, v. Munro; C. F. Errington, v. Gully; C. E. Brown, v. Chichester; R. W. O'Grady, v. Pemberton; A. de Beer-Baruchson, v. Craster; W. B. St. George, v. Caine; W. P. Greaves, v. Manderson; H. H. Costobadie, v. Buckle; J. S. Biscoe, v. Monckton.

Royal Engineers.—Capt. and brev. maj. H. Drummond to be lieut. col., v. Lake, seconded; 2nd Capt. and brev. maj. W. E. Warrand to be capt., v. Brev. maj. Drummond; 2nd Capt. G. A. Craster, to be capt., v. Young, seconded; Lieut. E. T. Thackeray to be 2nd capt., v. Brev. maj. Warrand; Lieut. J. G. Forbes to be 2nd capt., v. Craster; Gent. cadet R. R. Pulford, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., with temp. rank, v. Thackeray; Gent. cadet J. J. Curling, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., with temp. rank, v. Forbes.

The Order of the Bath.

WAR-OFFICE, March 28.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to the Most Honourable Order of the Bath:—

To be Ordinary Members of the Military Division of the First Class, or Knights Grand Cross of the said Most Hon. Order:—Lieut. gen. Sir J. Cheape, k.c.b., Royal (late Bengal) Engineers; Viscount Melville, k.c.b.; Vice Admiral Sir J. Hope, k.c.b.

To be Ordinary Members of the Military Division of the Second Class, or Knights Commanders of the said Most Honourable Order:—Lieut. gen. T. Montteath-Douglas, c.n., Bengal Army; Lieut. gen. P. Montgomerie, c.n., Royal (late Madras) Artillery; Lieut. gen. T. Reed, c.n.; Lieut. gen. C. A. Windham, c.n.; Maj. gen. Lord William Paulet, c.n.; Maj. gen. R. W. Honner, c.n., Bombay Army; Col. J. W. Gordon, c.n.; Col. E. H. Greathed, c.n.; Col. C. W. D. Staveley, c.n.

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WEDNESDAY, March 29, 1865.

COOLIE LABOUR IN THE BENGAL TEA DISTRICTS.

THERE is at last some hope that both planters and coolies may yet be brought to a proper understanding of the nature of the agreement intended to bind them together, not to sever them. Notwithstanding the virulent declamation of the Calcutta papers—especially of the *Englishman*—it is impossible to disprove, however easy it may be to deny, the fact that much deception is practised upon the coolies to induce them to emigrate to the tea districts, and not a little harshness after they get there. It is true that, before the coolie definitively engages himself to his new employer, he is shown a tariff of the work that will be expected of him, but the figures he gazes upon have no precise meaning for his opaque and inexperienced mind. He simply believes that he is asked to go to a neighbouring district where his labour will be as light as his wages will be high, and in that cheerful faith he consents to do whatever is asked of him. He is soon undeceived. His troubles commence on the very journey to his new destination; but even if he reached his employer's plantation without more discomfort than he could endure with resignation, no long time elapses before his soul sickens within him. The first discovery he makes is, that he can earn no more in this strange place than he did when dwelling among his own people. Then, the labour is of a kind to which he is all unused. The country, too, is wild, savage, and uninhabited, and his so-called voluntary service acquires in his eyes the semblance of penal servitude. Nor is there, in truth, any very marked difference between the two, if his employer happen to be a hard man and an exacting. Flogging, indeed, has recently been prohibited, but the necessity for a formal prohibition establishes the fact of the practice. And anything more intolerable than the idea of investing the planters with such arbitrary power over their labourers can hardly be imagined. That the party claiming to be aggrieved should sit in

judgment on his own case is contrary to all reason and justice. The majority of the planters are, doubtless, humane, liberal-minded men, but the possession, and certainly the exercise, of despotic and irresponsible power, has the inevitable tendency of hardening the heart and rendering it callous and unforgiving. Besides, in most cases a plantation is managed by an agent, and we know from the experience of the Slave States of America and from our own West Indian Islands what sort of treatment is to be expected from an irritable, half-educated, or simply over-zealous overseer. But, say the planters, the coolie does not care for imprisonment—indeed, he is quite content to be locked up for a while in a comfortable jail, where he is well fed and has nothing to do, and the more so because his agreement with his employer is thereby cancelled and done away with. Is not this, however, a clear admission that there must be something very faulty in the coolie's position, or else why should he seek to vitiate a contract which is his only hope of obtaining a livelihood in a strange land? It is childish to talk about the ingratitude and fickleness characteristic of the natives of India. The natives are quite as grateful as other people for real kindness and considerateness, though they may not feel themselves particularly indebted to those who kick and cuff them, and seldom address them without a word of abuse. Neither are they so blind to their own interests as to throw up a sufficient and comfortable maintenance in exchange for destitution and starvation, merely for the sake of a little variety. Treat the native as a European expects to be treated, and he will prove himself a faithful, docile, and industrious servant. But if he be treated as a slave, what is to be looked for but an abject, cringing, lazy, revengeful deportment—in short, all that enters into the idea of "servile"? A specific performance of contracts, the Calcutta journalists pretend, is all that is asked for. But how is this to be attained? Surely not by flogging, or by sending to jail every labourer who complains that he has been unfairly entrapped into a service which he regards with loathing. The first thing to be done, is to take care that a coolie proposing to emigrate to the tea districts thoroughly understands where he is going what it is he will be required to do, and how much he is likely to save out of his earnings. There is no difficulty with the emigrants to the Mauritius. The coolies, there, are perfectly satisfied with their condition. They find themselves among their own people, they live well, and worship their gods after their own fashion. But in the Bengal tea districts they are dispersed in small gangs over a wild inhospitable country, far away from "the ashes of their fathers and the temples of their gods," and,

for all practical purposes, beyond the protection of the law. What wonder, then, that they should endeavour to make their way back to their old homes, regardless of a contract which they never understood, and by which they sold themselves into an Egyptian bondage? However, there is now a fair chance of their position being considerably ameliorated, by virtue of a Bill submitted by Mr. Ashley Eden to the Bengal Council on the 18th of last month, the main features of which, as sketched by the *Englishman*, will be found in another column. The proposed Bill may not be all that could be desired in the interest of the free labourers, but it is decidedly a great improvement on the present state of things, and, if the Protectors of Labourers do their duty with tact and firmness, may ultimately bring about a better understanding between the employers and the employed.

HEALTH OF THE ARMY IN INDIA.

ADMITTING that the alarm created in the public mind by the report of the Royal Commission appointed to examine into the sanitary state of the army in India partook very much of the nature of a panic, it cannot be denied that there still remains large room for improvement in all that concerns the health and efficiency of the British soldier in the East. The annual mortality may not be 69 per thousand, but it is certainly greater than it would be if more attention were paid to the proper ventilation of barracks, the purity of the drinking water, and the quality of the food supplied to the men. It is, no doubt, perfectly true that considerable exaggeration pervades the Commissioners' Report, chiefly owing to the obsolete materials on which it was partly founded, but it cannot be said that they drew upon their imagination for their facts, when we find, on the unquestionable authority of Dr. Stewart Clark, that the all important considerations of ventilation and conservancy are more frequently neglected than taken into account.* As Inspector-General of Provinces, N.W.P., Dr. Clark enjoyed the best possible opportunities of observing the comparative effect of good or bad air and water upon large groups of individuals. According, then, to this intelligent and wholly disinterested witness, the ravages of cholera are caused far more by excessive overcrowding than, as is usually supposed, by the unwholesomeness of the water. Some years ago, when it was customary to herd a large number of prisoners together in district jails, cholera, dysentery, and diarrhoea were seldom, if ever, absent. But after the removal of the long-term prisoners—or two-thirds of the total number—to central jails, these diseases became of ex-

trremely rare occurrence. Indeed, for the space of nine years only one case of cholera broke out, though the surrounding villages were constantly visited by that dreadful scourge. On the other hand, at the central gaols, where at least as much, if not more, attention was paid to the conservancy and general management, but where the prisoners were a good deal crowded, the visitations of these epidemics were both frequent and severe. In like manner, when, in 1861, the soldiers of the line regiments stationed at Lahore were dying by scores, the artillerymen quartered in the Fort almost entirely escaped, simply because they were less crowded, and had the best building in the Fort assigned to them. "Cholera and other epidemic diseases," says Dr. Clark, "generally appear in certain groups of men at almost fixed periods; sometimes at one season, sometimes at another; but almost always after the affected have been unduly exposed to foul air from bad ventilation, overcrowding in their dwelling-places, or the massing together of large numbers of human beings, which, even in the open air, will contaminate the atmosphere for some distance, as at large fairs and in large standing camps, where great numbers of people are congregated." No one, of course, disputes the insalubrity of bad water, but it is less noxious than bad air, because "the blood will become much more readily poisoned through the lungs than through the stomach." And it is clear that the water is often blamed when other and more potent causes have been at work. For how, otherwise, is it possible to account for the greater average percentage of deaths to strength from cholera, among the men than among the officers? During the eight years ending 1853-54 the mortality from cholera in European regiments in the Bengal Presidency was only 0.1 among the latter, while it was as high as 7.0 among the former, and yet both were in the habit of using the same water. And it rarely happens that any epidemic, traceable to the water, breaks out on board ship, though the only drinking water on board may be that drawn from the foul stream of the Hooghly. There have been instances of cholera being confined to one side of the ship, or to a particular group of men, while everyone else enjoyed perfect health, so that it could not have been the water which originated the disease. If, then, it be of such vital importance that a sufficient supply of wholesome air should be always furnished to the British soldiery in India, the Government cannot be exonerated from the charge of "culpable homicide" so long as it neglects to provide the European barracks with proper means of ventilation. Dr. Clark, indeed, admits that "the new barracks recently erected have an ample number of openings for the ingress and egress of air, such as doors, windows, open

ridges, &c.;" but, for all that, he adds that, "when they are occupied by the regulation number of men, the air during the night time is foul and poisonous." During the hot and rainy seasons it is plain that the air must be set in motion by artificial means; for when the external atmosphere is calm and sultry not the slightest movement will be discovered within, however numerous the openings for the ingress and egress of air. It thus happens that the noxious exhalations from the human body, after ascending a short distance, become cooled, and again descend to be again inhaled. The only effect of punkahs in such cases is to mix up the air of the apartment, so that each individual inspires not only his own, but also his neighbours' exhalations. Dr. Clark, however, is not content to point out remediable evils without making an effort to suggest a remedy. He has, therefore, devised a system of ventilation which appears very easy of application, but which cannot be clearly described without the use of diagrams.

But it must not be supposed that such a practical hygienist is blind to the necessity of providing good water as well as good air. On the contrary, he insists emphatically on the danger to health arising from the use of surface water, whether taken from stagnant pools or from shallow wells. As he unpleasantly remarks, "when a native bathes, he does not carry the water to a distance from the well for the purpose, but he sits on the edge of it, and pours the water over his body, allowing it to run back into the well; and he not only washes his body in this way, but also any little clothes he may have about him, which must be saturated with perspiration and other filth." Tanks are, if possible, still worse, for the bathers either go into them bodily, or else wash themselves and their clothes on the very brink, so that every drop of water they use runs back into the tank. As for the rivers in the lower part of their course, no words can do justice to their filthy and disgusting condition. "I have myself," says Dr. Clark, "seen upwards of fifty dead human bodies, besides numbers of carcasses of lower animals, floating in the River Hooghly, within sight at one time; and these corpses float up and down with the tide until the flesh falls off the bones, and they sink to the bottom, or lie exposed, at low water, on the muddy banks." From one of these three sources the British soldier has to procure the water with which he would slake his thirst on the march, and even when stationed in barracks. Water, however, of sweet and excellent quality can be had almost everywhere in the Upper Provinces by boring to a sufficient depth. The first expense may sometimes be considerable, but it is poor economy to allow men to perish, not

* "Practical Observations on the Hygiene of the Army in India." By Stewart Clark, M.R.C.S. Smith, Elder, and Co.

one of whom can be replaced for less than £100, when the outlay of a few thousand rupees would remove one fruitful source of fatal maladies. For though unwholesome water is not necessarily poisonous, or in itself productive of active disease, it tends, like bad food, to lower the system, and so predisposes it to suffer from the attacks of epidemic complaints. Even on a march there is no reason why troops should ever be destitute of pure drinking water, if a small number of filter-tanks on spring bullock-trucks—such as are delineated in Dr. Clark's valuable treatise—were attached to each regiment. And it is not only by foul air and impure water that the British soldier in India is brought to an untimely end. His very food is issued to him without the slightest regard to the climate in which he is serving. Instead of being compelled to vary his diet with pulse, vegetables, and ripe fruit, he is allowed as much animal food as would suffice for a sailor on an Arctic expedition. Neither is due consideration paid to the conservancy of military cantonments; but that is a subject which cannot properly be treated in these columns. All who take a real interest, however, in maintaining at the lowest possible sacrifice of men and money the efficiency of the British army in India, will do well to study this unpretending little volume, and judge for themselves how much yet remains to be done before the Government can be held altogether guiltless of "manslaughter."

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT

HOUSE OF LORDS.—MARCH 27.

Lord DONOUGHMORE presented petitions from Colonel G. W. Bishop, of her Majesty's Bengal Army; Lieut.-colonel S. B. Faddy, of the Bengal Army; Colonel J. D. Stewart, of the Bombay Army; Major Walter Montriou, 24th Regiment Bombay Infantry; Major Charles E. Taylor, 35th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Major William C. Clarke, 2nd Regiment Madras Light Cavalry; Major F. W. A. Robson, 20th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieut. E. S. Berkeley, 7th Regiment Madras Light Cavalry, complaining of violation of rights secured to them by Act of Parliament, and humbly praying for redress.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 27.

Petitions complaining of violation of rights secured to them by Act of Parliament, and praying for redress, were presented, by Mr. SOMES, from Major William C. Rich, 46th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and from Captain H. B. Sandford, Royal Bombay Artillery; by Mr. ADAM, from Captain R. Williams, of the late 30th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, from Captain James Annesley Smith, 6th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, from Brevet-Captain Alfred Utterson, of the late 2nd Bombay European Light Infantry, and from Lieutenant William F. Sandevitte, of the late 3rd Bombay European Regiment; by Colonel SYKES, from Brevet-Major Charles Thompson, of the late 2nd Regiment Bombay European Infantry, from Captain R. W. Richards, 10th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, and from Lieutenant

George S. Warden, 17th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry; and by Lord R. MONTAGU, from Major A. Y. Sinclair, 26th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, from Captain F. G. Steuart, 9th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, and from Captain William Rice, 25th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 28.

LUCKNOW PRIZE MONEY.

Mr. SCHOLEFIELD asked the Secretary of State for India whether there would be any further distribution of Lucknow prize money; and if so, when it was probable the distribution would take place.

Sir C. WOOD, who spoke very indistinctly, was understood to say that another distribution was intended, and had in fact been advertised in India. The roll, however, had not yet been sent home. He had asked whether the first roll could not be made available, but he was told it was so inaccurate that it was absolutely necessary to wait till the new roll came home.

EAST INDIA (GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S POWERS, ETC.) BILL.

On the order of the day for going into committee on this Bill,

Mr. VANSITTART asked why enlarged powers in the matter of laws should be granted to the Governor-General, and his power in regard even to small appointments in India restricted?

Sir C. WOOD replied that it had been a standing rule that no new appointment above a certain amount should be created in India without the sanction of the Home Government. The Bill simply continued it.

The House then went into committee on the Bill, and passed it.

EAST INDIA HIGH COURTS BILL.

This Bill passed through committee.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 27. Rangoon, Batavia.—29. Washington Irving, Madras; Bernard, Mauritius.

DEPARTURES.

March 27. Gunga, Madras.—28. Jeddo, Colombo.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

SWINNO—The wife of Lieut. Charles Swinno, Bombay Staff Corps, of a daughter, at 18, Mornington-road, Regent's-park, March 22.

WALSH—The wife of T. Prendergast B. Walsh, of Laragh Manor, county Cavan, Ireland, Capt. H.M.'s 1st Bombay Grenadier Regt., of a daughter, March 22.

MARRIAGES.

CUNNINGHAM—STEER.—Albert B. Cunningham, Royal Art., to Georgiana G., daughter of Charles Steer, Esq., Judge of the Supreme Court, Calcutta, at the residence of the British Ambassador, Frankfort-on-the-Maine, March 22.

DEATHS.

HAYLEY—Major Hugh Hayley, Bengal Staff Corps, at Brightling Rectory, Sussex, aged 38, March 18.

NICHOLLS—Sir George Nicholls, K.C.B., in Hyde-park-street, March 24.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, March 27.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's screw steamship *Poonah*, Captain J. S. Field, sailed hence to-day for Gibraltar, Malta, and Alexandria, with the Bombay mails, a full cargo, and specie, &c., for Bombay, value £7,433. 10s., viz.: gold coin, £4,070; bar silver, £2,000; gold thread, watches, and jewelry, £1,363. 10s. The *Poonah* takes out 17 first and 38 second-class passengers, and 10 proceed by the corresponding steamer from Marseilles, making a total of 65. Among them are:—Commander H. Miller, R.N., for Gibraltar; Captain Carleton, Major H. Shrewell, and Major Holland, for Bombay.

INDIA EXCHANGES.

BANK AND COMMERCIAL BILLS.

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	India 5 p. ct. Enfranchised Paper		101 to 103
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	per cent.		95½
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	India Stock Debentures, 1859		99½
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	India 4 per cent.		104½
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	India Bonds (£1,000)		11s.
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	RAILWAYS.		
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20	Do F Shares	2	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Calcutta & S. Eastern (lim.)	100	98 to 100
Stock	Eastern Bengal (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	101½
Stock	East Indian	100	101½ to 102½
20	Do J. Extension	5	
Stock	G. I. Peninsula (guar. 5 p. ct.)	100	102 to 103
20	Do (New ditto)	13	par to ½ pm.
20	Do, New	2	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Great S. of India (Lim.) Scrip	100	100 to 101
Stock	Do 4½ p. c.	100	99 to 101
Stock	Madras (guar. 4½ per ct.)	100	91
Stock	Do 5 per cent.	100	100 to 101
Stock	Do (guar. 4½ per cent)	100	93 to 95
20	5th Extension	2	
Stock	Scinde 5 per cent.	100	100½ to 101½
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100	Agarwal Masterman's (L)	50	120 to 125 x.d.
50	Do, New issue	25	72
50	Do, issue at 30 pm.	25	60 to 62
20	Asiatic Banking Corp., new issue, £15 pm., on which £7. 10s. has been paid	2½	11 to 12
40	Australasian	all	75
40	New	all	71 to 72
20	Bank of Egypt	all	82
20	Chart. of Ind., Aus., & China	all	31 to 33
20	Do, New	all	
25	Chart. Merc. of India, Lond., and China	all	54
	New	12½	
25	Commercial Bank of India	all	36 to 39
100	Hindustan, China, & Japan	25	par 2 pm.
100	Do, New issue at 2 pm.	23	½ d. to 1 d.
100	New Issue at 6 pm., of which 1 p.	10	2 to 1 d.
50	Imp. Bank of China, India, and Japan	5	½ to 1½ pm.
20	Land Mortgage Bank of India	all	57
25	Oriental Bank Corporation	10	1 to 1½ pm.
20	Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi	7½	2 pm.
25	Do, New	all	
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5	Bombay Gas	all	5½ to 6
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20	Do	all	19½
10	Mediterranean Ext. Tel. (Lim.)	all	4
20	Nerbudda Coal and Iron	5	1 d. par
20	Do, New	2	½ d. to 1½ pm.
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	Oriental Gas	all	1½ to 1
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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

OWING, we presume, to the carelessness of the telegraphic signallers at Marseilles, the Bombay mail of the 13th March has arrived a day sooner than it was expected.

From Bhootan there is no news of any immediate importance, beyond the intimation that the enemy has plundered some villages in the Durrung district, and is running up stockades in all directions.

The Indian Government, however, has at length been fairly roused to the necessity of adopting prompt and vigorous measures to attain the early termination of an inglorious and exceedingly troublesome campaign.

The field force has been divided into two brigades, to be called the Right and Left Brigades. The former will be commanded by General Tombs, in person, with Major M. C. Sankey, R.A., as his Brigade-major; while the latter will be under the command of General Tytler, with Captain Macgregor as his Major of Brigade. Troops were also being pushed forward from the Presidency Town, H.M.'s 55th and 80th regiments having been sent on from Calcutta by river and rail. Captain H. M. Smith's battery, R.A., the 3rd of the 25th Brigade, left Fort William on the 4th of March, and a flying line of telegraph is to be established between Mynagore and Titalyah, a place about twenty miles from the foot of the hills on the road from Caragolah to Darjeeling.

The Calcutta papers give long accounts of a banquet given by the local volunteers to Sir Robert Napier and Colonel Herbert, who was to sail for England on the 9th in charge of the eldest sons of the Nawab Nazim of Bengal. The chair was taken by Captain John Rose, and among the guests were H.E. the Commander-in-Chief, General Showers, the Hon. J. B. Phear, Colonel Blane, A.D.C., Colonel Douglas, Majors Malleon, Gordon, Thompson, and Cassidy, Dr. O'Callaghan, Captain Paribby, the officers of H.M.'s 54th, and the editors of the three local newspapers. The speechifying appears to have been neither better nor worse than is usual on such occasions, and we read that "the evening was enlivened by several glees given by Messrs. Roberts and Babor, and other members of the Glee Club." Nothing is said about the scramble for soup, or the general *melee* among the thousand and one Khidmutgars who taint the air and deafen the hearing.

Another great event in Calcutta has been the laying of the foundation stone of the Dalhousie Institute by the Lieutenant-Governor, in presence of the Viceroy, the Commander-in-Chief, and the Lord Bishop. His Honour was assisted by Mr. Sandeman, Provincial Grand Master, while the customary prayers were recited by the right reverend prelate. Mr. Beadon's speech is characterised as remarkably sensible, and very much to the point, but we regret to learn that he was looking far from well.

The speculative success of the Canning Town Reclamation Company has led to the formation of two other schemes, not less ingenious, and possibly not less desirable—if successful. The one has for its object the reclamation of certain portions of the Salt Water Lakes, and shares are already at a premium, though the prospectus has not yet been issued. The other merely undertakes to supply Calcutta with timber and fuel from Orissa and the Central Provinces. The Port Canning shares are down to Rs. 3,500, but original holders will do very well even at that reduction from the Rs. 9,000 to which they rose, with balloon-like buoyancy, soon after their first allotment.

On the opening of the Indo-European Telegraph line, H.M.'s Secretary of State for India transmitted the following message to the Governor of Bombay:—

"London, March 1, 4 P.M.

"The Secretary of State, in congratulating the Governor of Bombay in Council on the successful completion of an undertaking calculated to bring India into closer union with Great Britain, and, under God's blessing, greatly to promote the common interests of both countries, desires also to express to Sir Bartle Frere the sense entertained by her Majesty's Government of the value of his zealous and energetic co-operation in the work which has now been brought to so prosperous a conclusion."

Probably the last official act performed by Sir Hugh Rose previous to his departure from Bengal is a General Order relating to musketry practice in the army. This order "supersedes all former orders on the subject, and is divided into twenty-seven heads. Each company in its turn is to go through a course of preliminary drills under the supervision of the adjutant, which will occupy two days for drilled soldiers and four days for recruits. They will be drilled morning and evening for three quarters of an hour in position and aiming drills. They will then practice individual firing, file firing, volley firing, and skirmishing by sections at distances ranging from 75 to 250 yards in various positions. The period of the year in which the drill and

DATES OF ADVICES.

Bengal	March 6	Burmah (Rangoon)	Feb. 8
Madras	March 7	Bombay	March 13
Agra	March 9	Ceylon	March 4
China (Hong Kong)	Feb. 15.		

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Letters and Newspapers can be forwarded to any part of India, *via* Bombay and Marseilles, and in most cases will reach their destination some days sooner than if despatched by the following Calcutta mail. The Bombay mails *via* Southampton, however, are no longer available for the transmission of Letters or Newspapers to the Madras Presidency.

Mails for the Mediterranean, and all parts of India and China, except the Bombay Presidency, are despatched *via* Southampton on the mornings of the 4th and 20th, or, when either of these dates falls on Sunday, upon the previous evening.

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practice are to be carried on is left to the discretion of the commanding officer. A register of the practice is to be kept, and the number of points made by each soldier will be regularly entered, and good shooting badges awarded. Regimental returns are to be prepared by the Adjutant, and transmitted on the 1st of April to head-quarters."

The great Wahabee trial at Patna has come to a close. The Assessors found the prisoner, Ahmed-oollah, not guilty of the charges of waging war and abetting war against the Queen, but pronounced him guilty of the three other charges of abetting the attempt to make war, &c. The Court therefore, sentenced him to be hanged.

A movement has been set on foot in Bombay, chiefly by Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, Bart., the Hon. Walter Cassels, and Dr. Thomas Diver, for the erection of an hospital for Europeans, as a memorial of the loyalty and love borne by the inhabitants of Bombay towards her Majesty the Queen, and of their admiration of the character of the late lamented Prince Consort. The project is patronised by Sir Bartle Frere and other local notables.

In our advertisement columns there appears the prospectus of a limited liability company for the purchase and cultivation of seven valuable tea and coffee estates—together comprising 3,400 acres, of which 1,000 acres are already planted. It is stated that between 700 and 800 acres are in bearing, from which 190 tons of coffee were obtained in 1862-63, and again in 1863-64. The present proprietor, indeed, appears confident of the success of the company, for he not only undertakes to accept one-fourth of the price in shares, but also engages to make a proportionate diminution of the purchase money in the event of the net profits averaging less than 14 per cent. during the first three years. The Moyar Coffee Company comes out under the fostering care of the East India Financial Association, and one promising feature of the prospectus is the intimation that no promotion money will be paid.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

BENGAL.—Maj. gen. Mathie, I.M.'s Bengal Army, at Gothic-house, Upper Hamilton-terrace, aged 59, March 28. Col. Verrier, late of the E.I.C.S., at Belfast, March 25.

Passengers by the present Mail.

Per str. *Baroda*, April 4.—For MARSHALLS.—From BOMBAY.—Mr. Eastledge, Mr. J. H. Orr, M.D., Mrs. Bran, Mr. Good, Mr. and Mrs. Ryland and infant, the Rev. J. Wilson, Mrs. Knight, Mr. Morris, Capt. R. Taylor, Capt. and Mrs. Harris and infant, Mr. Charnock, Mrs. McIntyre, Mr. Inverarity, Maj. F. L. Magniac, Mr. Bell, Mrs. Thorn, Mr. Nixon, Mr. Lucy's three children, Dr. Heude, Capt. Edleman, Capt. Bannerman, Mrs. Mayhew, Mr. Molson, Mr. and Mrs. Forsyth, Capt. Barton, Mr. Rowley, Capt. Holberton, Mr. T. W. Taylor, Capt. and Mrs. Sheppard, Lieut. Merriman, Capt. Ferrers, General Cunningham, Capt. Laprimanday, Lieut. Newbizzing, Capt. Brandford, Lord and Lady Paget, Capt. Cluckester, Dr. Woolhouse.

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Per str. *Massilia*, April 10.—From CALCUTTA.—For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. and Mrs. Kelvey and two infants, Mrs. N. E. Sneyd, Mrs. Gill and infant, Mrs. Baylis and four children, Surg.-maj. Hutchinson, Mrs. Agnew and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Heekle and two children, Mrs. Preston and two children, Mrs. Osborne and two infants, M's. Bamber and three children, Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Brundell and three children, Dr. Chesnaye. From BOMBAY.—Miss Flood, Mrs. Giles, Lieut. Lowther, Mrs. Edgington and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Christian and five children, Maj. and Mrs. Thatcher and two children, Mrs. Atkins and infant, Mr. H. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. D. Camm, two ladies and child, Mrs. Haselwood, Mrs. Heyland, Mr. D. Eckel and son, Mrs. Ratton, Mr. and Mrs. Eludont and infant, Mrs. Dolree and infant, Mrs. Macnaughten and infant, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Langston, Mrs. Hope and infant, Mr. J. T. Hope, Capt. G. Hector, Mr. W. G. Kortwright, Mr. W. Campbell.

BENGAL

TEA AND CINNAMON FOUND IN TIPPERAH.

Extract from a Report by Mr. C. Lane, Chief Civil Asst., Great Trigonometrical Survey, in charge Eastern Frontier Party, dated Chittagong, Aug. 15, 1864:—

"The tea tree was found in Hill Tipperah by Mr. Civil Asst. W. C. Rossenrode, whilst carrying on the approximate triangulation in advance last season, at a hill called Sabrong, in latitude 23 deg. 3 min., and longitude 91 deg. 48 min. There is another tree in this country, called in Bengali the 'maritcha,' growing up to twenty-five or thirty feet in height, the venation of the leaves of which is the same as that of the tea. The leaves are also alternate, and, indeed, in appearance and size, the two leaves bear the greatest possible resemblance, and by itself only that of the 'maritcha' could not be distinguished from the genuine tea leaf, the colour and freedom from down being also the same in both. The only visible difference is that the tea twig has a very small stipule at the base of the petiole, which the 'maritcha' has not; in all other respects they are precisely identical.* It has been said that the tea tree will grow and thrive wherever the 'maritcha' is found; this appears to be the case. It is not impossible the 'maritcha' may be a species of tea. It is to be seen about the hill of Sabrong, where tea was found, as above stated, as well as on the extensive table-land between Gojalia H.S., in lat. 23 deg. 9 min., and long. 91 deg. 36 min., and Tulamura H.S., in lat. 23 deg. 11 min., and long. 91 deg. 48 min., and on the right bank of the River Fenny; indeed, there can be little doubt it is to be met with throughout the portion of Hill Tipperah, between lat. 23 deg. 18 min., and the Fenny, and, consequently, it may be inferred that the tree considered to be the genuine tea would also thrive here. The clove plant has likewise been found indigenous on the table-land between Gojalia H.S. and Tulamura H.S. Other spices would, no doubt, thrive here also. Specimen twigs of the 'maritcha,' of the tea, and of the clove were kindly taken charge of by a gentleman proceeding to Calcutta, but, unfortunately, when there, he did not find time sufficient to take the samples to the Secretary of the Horticultural Society, Mr. Blechynden, for his opinion."

Extract of a letter dated 13th December, 1864, from Mr. Blechynden, regarding the specimens of leaves referred to in Report on the southern portion of Hill Tipperah, surveyed in 1863-64.

"Dr. Cleghorn has been kind enough to examine the specimens of leaves from the Tipperah District, gathered by Mr. Lane, of the Great Trigonometrical Survey, and which accompanied your letter (without date) received last month.

"One of them, Dr. Cleghorn tells me, is clearly a *cinnamomum*; two of the others belong to *Teru-trernicinus* plants, and appear to be *Thea*, but without twig, bearing flowers or fruits; it is not possible to give an opinion as to their specific identity.

True extract forwarded for the information of Lieut.-colonel Robinson, R.E., Officiating Superintendent, Great Trigonometrical Survey; one of the above specimens has, by the fruit, been ascertained to be tea.

"C. LANE, Chief Civil Assistant, Great Trigonometrical Survey, in charge Eastern Frontier Party."

PRIZE MONEY.

In a late number of the *War Office Gazette* there appears a paragraph which one might almost fancy a joke, though a cruel joke it must be:—

"Notice is given that rolls of officers and seamen of the undermentioned vessels of the late Bengal Marine, entitled to share in the first payment of prize-money for services in Pegu in the years 1852-53, have been received in the India-office, viz.:—*Bhaugeruttee, Damoodah, Enterprise, Fire Queen, Indus, Krishna, Lord William Bentinck, Mahanuddy,*

* When about taking the field last November, the Commissioner of Chittagong desired me to look out for tea in the jungles of Hill Tipperah. To remove all doubts on the subject, it was deemed advisable to offer high remuneration to two of the hill men if they would gather seed at the proper season, and bring them to Chittagong. It remains to be seen if they will do so.

Nemesis, Nerbudda, Proserpine, Pluto, Phlegethon, Spy, Sutledge, Soane, Tenasserim; and that payment of such shares has commenced in the Marine and Transport Department of the India-office."

"And how many of those present in this Pegu campaign, during the years 1852-53, are alive now to receive this prize-money? If there is one thing more than another that moves the indignation of Englishmen, it is this slighting of the claims of brave men, this putting off, this procrastination which, verily, from hope deferred, maketh the heart sick. Twelve long years have elapsed since this prize-money was earned, and now a first instalment of it is to be doled out to the survivors. Let any one reflect on the changes that take place in a dozen years, and it may be conceived how many men, borne on the rolls of the ships mentioned, are ever likely to demand their rights. We may not feel any vivid sympathy with the wrongs of naval men as such; but this injury concerns both branches of the service. The Deccan prize-money was a bye-word. It was so great a wrong, and of such long continuance, that at last it became a joke. It is a well-known fact that, up to date, many who are entitled to the Indian mutiny medal have not received it, and, from all appearances, seem to have but little chance of doing so, and yet it may be mentioned as a curious circumstance that some officers have actually received two medals for the mutiny campaign. And while the system of rolls for medals being sent up from every regiment and department in which an officer has served is persevered in, it is not to be wondered at that such mistakes occur. The simple remedy would be to insert a memo. "on honor" at the foot of every roll, that the officers' and soldiers' names therein mentioned have not previously appeared in any medal-roll sent in.

The prize-money system requires total revision. The working of it at present is altogether faulty. Government retains the hoards acquired, but gives no interest. No one can say this is unfair, for if Government did not take charge of the money, and become responsible for it, there would be no hope of ever preserving it; but prize agents should be specially appointed by Government, not by choice of the army. The army may choose a man as prize agent for all kinds of reasons except his fitness for the duty. A "good fellow," a man with the knack of putting himself forward, will get the nomination, though with no business habits, no industry, and even no very superstitious probity.

Nothing makes soldiers more sulky than delay in giving out prize-money; and the feeling of the troops is that the next time there is prize to be got, there shall be no laying by of claims while the agents dilly-dally for years over the spoil. It simply comes to this, that the troops, seeing valuables on every side, will appropriate them, as they often can do, and as the Sikh soldiers unquestionably did at Lucknow, preferring to run the risk of punishment to being kept out of their rights for years.—*Pioneer*.

RUSSIA ON THE FRONTIER OF THIBET.

"What is truth?" is a more pertinent question in the East than elsewhere. For months back this journal, in common with others in India, France, and England, has published accounts of the progress of Russia in Central Asia, has asserted that Russia conquered Khokand last July, has described the visit of envoys from the subjugated province to the Viceroy of India and Lieutenant-governor of the Punjab. Yet now the *Gazette de St. Petersburg* ridicules the statement that Russia has 12,000 men operating in Khokand, and that the Russians have captured Tashkund and Khokand; and thinks it necessary to add that Russia has no intention of invading Thibet, because *Lama* is two thousand miles from Bokhara, through which she would have to march.

The following narrative, translated from the Khokanese account of the conquest, will set the matter at rest, while it is most interesting in itself. It confirms in a singular manner the account of the *Invalide Russe*, which we published on 19th January last. "In the month of Mohurru'm 1281, H. H. [July 1864] the Russians marched unawares from the east into the territory of Oulia Atu and from the north into Turkistan, and occupied by force both the territories which are the principal states in the Dast-i-kapchak [Kirghiz Steppes]. Thereupon the king of Khokand marched with his army and artillery to Chamkarah [Tchemkent], where intelligence was received to the effect that the Russians were determined to invade Chamkarah. A force was immediately advanced against them, and having come upon them at the village of Sipsak the Russian troops were completely surrounded and a great number killed. At last the Khokand troops were ordered to dismount and advance in force against the Russians. They did so, and the enemy were on the point of being made prisoners, and had actually asked for quarter, when intelligence came of the approach of another Russian force from Oulia Atu. The Khokand troops marched rapidly against them—a battle ensued which lasted for twelve days, and a large number of Russians were slain. The remainder, unable to hold their ground, escaped during the night, but not without being hotly pursued for a considerable distance." The explicit denial by an official Russian journal of the recent conquest in Central Asia is, to our mind, more suggestive evidence of Russia's designs, than the conquests themselves. If Russia's advance has no reference to the possessions of other European powers in Asia, why should she deny it so long after the event?

This denial is the more remarkable because we have lately received intelligence of the appointment of General Eydokimoff as Governor-general of the new Khanate of Khokand. This officer finally subjugated the tribes of the Caucasus, and was then put at the head of the Russian expedition which annexed Khokand and Tashkund last July. It was he who saw the importance, as the key of the military command of Central Asia, of the fortress of Ak-Medjid, which is placed at the point where the river Djihoun falls into the Sea of Aral. That sea is now as much a Russian lake as the Caspian. A steam flotilla takes supplies to the fort, and thence they are forwarded to the Russian armies and posts. There can be no doubt that Russia holds Khokand as an integral part of her Asiatic empire, and that she has gained over the Khan of Bokhara to her interests. Since she disclaims the intention of invading Thibet in the same sentence in which she denies the conquest of Khokand, she is doubtless planning a march in the direction of Lassa.

The belief in Central Asia itself is, so far as we have information, that Russia and Bokhara together will do their best to interfere in Afghanistan on behalf of Ufzul Khan, and against our ally the Ameer of Cabul. Meanwhile, the Ameer is making great preparations for his march on Candahar. He has avoided the mistake which led to the massacre of our army and troops by directing the Ghilzae chiefs to be paid all their arrears and three months in advance. The Khans of the Kohistan, too, have received notice to send forward their quota of mercenaries, since the roads are passable. The *Delhi Gazette* news letter publishes the following information given in a letter from "certain merchants" as to the movements of Russia:—

"The Russians, having left some of their troops under four officers at Khokand, have marched for Oorgunge. The Russians' rule and treatment have been so much liked by the natives of Tashkund, Khokand, and other places, that thousands of the natives of their own will and pleasure have accepted employment under them. Every description of supplies is brought to their camp, and purchased at fair

prices. The Khokanese are so much pleased with the Russians that they cheerfully do what they are asked. From Tashkund to Ooratpa the road is quite ready, and from the latter place to Oorgunge the work is progressing. The Russians have applied to the Shah of Persia to make over to them the forts of Murve and Surruksh; and it is very likely that they will get them. Communication between Agha Musjid, where the Russians have got their headquarters and their camp, is quite safe and open, as they always get their ammunition from Agha Musjid. They have made it public that during their march towards Hindostan they will not oppress or trouble any one on any account, and will treat every one in a friendly spirit."

If only half of this is correct it is impossible to overrate its importance. It will be observed that "their march towards Hindostan" is mentioned in a way which shows what Asiatic opinion at least is as to their designs.—*Friend of India*.

THE REVOLUTION IN CENTRAL ASIA.

CASHMERE.—There has long been a rumour here that Tashkund, Thunkaut, and even Khokand, on the river Sirr, in the Khokand country, and Illu, Ila or Iluskh, with Thurfoan, Aksoo, Kharsha, &c., places east and north-east of Yarkand, have been formally occupied by the Russians. It is said that they have occupied the entire extent of the Khokand country, including the Khurghiz steeps of Pamir down to the Muztoojee passes, as being the grazing and pastoral lands of the Khirghiz hordes, who are subject to Khokand; and that, as the Kojahs of Andejan were friendly to the Russians, the latter have paid for their possession of that place. These same Kojahs (usually termed Andejanees), with the Kipchauks, Khirghiz, Kulmauks, Thunghanes, Mongols, and Thathars, at the private instigation of Russia, rose, and have surrounded and besieged the Chinese citadels of Yarkand, Khashgar and Khotan, and have killed a large number of the Khatthais or Chinese authorities and southern Hindoo merchants, including the Governors of both Kashgar and Yarkand. Money and arms are said to be freely supplied by the Russians to the rebels. They have become so numerous, strong, and bold that, having the entire Mahomedan population of those countries on their side, by whom they are chiefly assisted, as also the full command of all the districts appertaining to those three Chinese provinces, the three citadels themselves, within which the Chinese or Khatthais took refuge at the beginning of the outbreak, must be by this time taken and reduced, and all the Chinese put to the sword. Now no intelligence whatever arrives at Leh-dok from any of the above three provinces. Rodhuk and the whole of Chaangthung as far as Ghurr or Gharrotpa and the lakes of Maunthullau, are seriously threatened, even, it is said, to Lassa. One rumour has it that the general Mahomedan movement of those parts at the present time has been got up by the rebel Taepings of China proper, while another attributes the whole of it to Russian intrigue. The fact that the Russian agents and merchants, who have latterly resided at Kashgar, are said to be not only well respected and treated by the rebels, but to have freely scattered themselves throughout the three provinces and to be in constant communication with the Khojah rebels, would seem to corroborate the latter suggestion.

But it is said that perhaps the Taepings of China proper and the Russians are both working hand and hand in the matter as far as Khokand and Toorkistan. It is said that the Khan of Bokhara has had five Roossia Sahibs of high distinction at his Court for the last six months, without whose advice he does nothing; and his late military movement towards Samarkund was to preclude or cut off the retreat of the Khokanese should they attempt to fly in that direction. This obliged the routed army of Khokand, with its King

and Omrahs, to submit unconditionally to the victorious Russians. The Khan is now preparing an army of from 60,000 to 80,000 to take full possession (whether in his own name or that of Ufzul Khan, or his son Abdoolrhaman Khan has yet to be seen) of the whole of Southern Toorkistan, he having previously raised the different populations there against the rule of Shere Ali Khan. A Persian Envoy of high rank is said to be at his Court, with the Roossia Sahibs, and to attend all the State Councils. It is said that Shahzadha Shere Shah, son of the late King of Delhi, and notorious during the Indian mutinies of '57, with three relatives of the Nana Sahib, one said to be his uncle, one a brother, and the third a nephew, have been all, with a large and respectable retinue, more than once, back and forward between Khokand, Bokhara, Balk, Koonduz, Cabul, &c., under the ostensible auspices first of Sirdar Ufzul Khan, and now of his son Sirdar Abdoolrhaman Khan and the King of Bokhara. It is said that after the King of Bokhara and Sirdar Abdoolrhaman have taken the power from Shere Ali, and settled the whole of southern Toorkistan down to the Baamian Pass and Hindoo Kush, whether the King of Bokhara takes that part of Toorkistan or not to himself for his trouble will be decided by the Shah of Persia and the Russians in council with the King of Bokhara and Abdoolrhaman Khan, or Ufzul Khan if released. Then claims to the throne of Cabul proper (but without Candahar and Heerat) will be settled by the united efforts of the Persians, Russians, the Bokhara king, and the Afghans of Sirdar Ufzul Khan's party. Candahar and Heerat are not claimed direct by Persia, still it is supposed that Persia, at the instigation of Russia, will try and place such persons as Mahmood Ameer Khan and Sheruff Khan in possession of those two places, including Kelat and Quetta, so as to be virtually her tributaries.

But how all this and other such like curious rumours now afloat are to be carried out, time alone must tell. One thing is said to be certain, that for some time past both the Yarkund and Toorkistan routes are stopped, and not a single person is allowed to travel through those countries, so all intelligence of what at present may be occurring in those parts must be at the best vague and uncertain. But it should be borne in mind that Andejan is the grand seat and the original cradle from whence Mahomedanism spread eastwards, in those parts to the Walls of China, and all the Mahomedans from Khokand eastward, through southern Siberia and Chinese Tartary, whether Ghirghiz, Kipchauks, Kulmauks, Thathars, Mongols, Khalkas, Thooranees, or Thunghanes, are considered as religious and obedient Murreeeds or disciples of one or other of the great peers, Mookdhooms or Khojah saints of Andejan. Much the same kind of reverence is paid in all these countries to Andejan and its sainted and intriguing Khojahs, as is supposed to be due by all Catholics, no matter under what temporal rule, or in what part of the world, to Rome and its Pope.—*From a Correspondent of the Friend of India*.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE PURITAN OF SERAMPORE.—We alluded the other day with the indignation we felt, to the wanton reflections made in the *Friend of India* concerning a lady who it was incorrectly stated had been invited on three separate occasions to the Viceregal Palace by the mistake of a novice which will not be repeated. We are rejoiced to find by a letter we have just received from Calcutta, that the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal behaved like a chivalrous gentleman in inviting the honourable lady to a ball at Belvidere, where she met His Royal Highness the Duke of Brabant, His Excellency the Viceroy, and the Private Secretary.—*Lahore Chronicle*.

ANOTHER SANITARIUM IN THE PUNJAB.—Endeavours are being made to establish another sanitarium on the Wuzere border near Bunnoo, at the height of 4,600 feet above the level of the sea. The present name of the place is Sheik Bodeen, probably arising from the name of some patriarch of that name reposing there; though if the place be determined on as a sanitarium for troops, it will be re-christened. The officer selected to report on its eligibility or otherwise, though giving an unfavourable account of its picturesqueness owing to the want of trees, bushes, and gardens, and to the absence of roads for walking, yet considers the climate decidedly salubrious, people there, that is, those going up in good health, being rarely attacked by sickness of any kind. And though it is not considered sufficiently bracing to restore to health people requiring a radical change of climate, yet, owing to the absence of dampness in the atmosphere, it is peculiarly adapted for diseases of the liver or spleen, and invalids are not subject to diarrhoea there. Quoting the report, the writer says—"I strongly recommend Sheik Bodeen as a sanitarium for European soldiers, and especially for women and children. My experience of hill climates is derived from a season at Dugshai with the 1st Bengal Fusiliers, in 1859, when I had medical care of the women and children of the regiment, in addition to my other duties, and of a season in Cashmere, in 1863, when I was on special duty. I consider Sheik Bodeen's climate equal to that of Dugshai in salubrity, though less cool and pleasant. I believe it to be superior to Cashmere, especially for children, the climate of Sheik Bodeen being excellent, and that of Cashmere very indifferent for the European young.—*Hurkaru.*"

ORDEAL BY TREACLE.—The world has not forgotten the large use to which this valuable article was applied in the far-famed Squeers establishment. But that great man, if his researches had extended to this country, might have learned how much further it was susceptible of application even in his own distinguished line. An incident occurred the other day in one of the districts of the North-West which shows the wonderful ingenuity of the native mind in the employment of treacle as an agency for judicial investigation within the domestic circle. We shall allow the new-writer to tell his story as he likes. A Nooneah, that is, a man engaged in the manufacture of molasses, "suspecting his daughter of having stolen some, enquired from her whether she were the culprit, and on her replying in the negative, requested her to prove her innocence by proposing to throw a piece into an iron utensil of boiling treacle, which if she took out without scalding her hand would satisfy him as to her innocence, but if otherwise, she was to be held undoubtedly guilty; superstitious dread, which has an influence on the conduct of the ignorant and semi-barbarous more powerful than even the terrors of a future state, made the unfortunate creature accede to her sanguinolent-minded father's proposal, and as a natural consequence she has been sent to the Government charitable hospital for medical treatment." In this case the ordeal is perfectly unexceptionable. The really innocent escape unhurt while the guilty get so dreadfully scalded that further punishment is unnecessary.

LOOKING A GIFT HORSE IN THE MOUTH.—There is rather a good story just now going the rounds of Calcutta society, which, as it illustrates a peculiar phase in the character of a functionary not very far removed from the Viceroy's private circle, is perhaps worth recording. It seems that the Duc de Brabant, before quitting Indian shores, thought that it would only be an act befitting his Royalty to bestow amongst the staff of the Governor-general some mementos of his visit to the country. Now it came to pass that a certain official received from his Royal Highness a jewelled ring. With the most unctuous phraseology at his command he returned

thanks, signifying of course that the occasion was the "proudest moment of his life." About two days after the same gentleman met the Duke, and again gave expression—more unctuously than before—to his thanks, adding that the present was not only "pleasant to view, fair to gaze upon, &c.," but that it was also valuable. The cautious individual (from a sense of delicacy, as in a recent instance, we suppress the name) had suspected the Duke of palming off as a parting gift a Cingalese specimen of jewellery, and to solve his doubts and suspicions had submitted the gem to a Calcutta firm to ascertain its intrinsic value. The feelings of the recipient of this gift in discovering that it was a jewel of the first water may be imagined, perhaps, but not described. What the feelings of the Duke may have been, on being informed that his memento had been weighed and appraised, we leave our readers to conjecture.—*Mofussilite.*

THE 43RD NATIVE INFANTRY.—If we are correctly informed, the days of the 43rd Bengal N.I., of Dewangiri notoriety, are numbered, and its dissolution will soon leave a gap in the army list. That the conduct of the regiment at Dewangiri deserves disbandment no person will deny; but those acquainted with the constitution of the corps know very well that long before this campaign on the frontier this regiment, and also the 42nd N.I., required such a thorough remodelling as should effect a total change in their *personnel*, internal organisation, and discipline. These two regiments were formerly the 1st and 2nd Assam Light Infantry Battalions; and on the re-organisation of the Bengal native army four years ago they were *mutatis nominibus*, but with no material change or improvement that we know of, brought into the line list, and numbered as they now stand. Although subject, like all the rest of the native army since the re-organisation, to "general service," these two corps have never, on the annual reliefs, been moved from Assam, and it was pretty well known that, had they been ordered out of that province, numbers of the men, possibly the greater proportion, would have "cut their names," as the sepoys express it, and left the service. This being the case, the Government has, in fact, been keeping these men embodied and paid for their own convenience in time of peace, without, as in the case of the 43rd N.I., the probability of an equivalent in the shape of good service and behaviour when called to battle. The stamp of men to whom these remarks refer have been kept in the Government service and the province of Assam, because a general impression has prevailed that they alone, of all the races from which we can recruit in India, could stand the climate of that part of the country, which, it was assumed, would prove fatal to soldiers raised in the Upper Provinces of India. Be this as it may, and the point has never as yet been satisfactorily decided, a soldier who can only stand a certain climate, and can do the State no good service in that climate when emergency arises, is literally useless to the Government, and rather a danger than a safeguard to the community. In the interests of the Government and the public, the 43rd N.I. ought to be disbanded; and the 42nd N.I. ought to be sent to the Upper Provinces, when it would soon partially disband itself. Upon the skeleton that might remain the Government could then construct a new and useful regiment, fit and ready for general service, and worth the money expended upon it.—*Englishman.*

SPORTING EXTRAORDINARY.—The collector, the joint, and an assistant at Mirzapore, have been spending a few weeks in the jungles to the south of the district, and have had extraordinary sport, having bagged twenty-three tigers and two leopards. Of these, fifteen animals were shot in Barhar and Singrowlee to the south of the Soane River, and the rest on the north bank of that stream among the Khymoor hills. The visit of these gentlemen

has been a blessing to all that part of the country, for the tigers had become so numerous and daring that many men and cattle had been devoured by them. Not long ago a Zemindar was riding along the main road from Sargooja and the south, attended by several servants, and was carrying his revenue to the Robertagunge Tuhseel, when a tiger suddenly sprang upon him, and dragged him from his pony into the jungle. The bones of the poor man were afterwards discovered, and near them was the money lying which he had intended to pay as his revenue. In more than one instance the collector had his shooting *machan* placed close to the public road. Indeed, one road, that leading to Kone, had been quite closed to travellers for two or three months, on account of the exceeding great danger which there was in travelling it. It is now reopened, as the man-eater, who had taken such a fancy to human flesh, has been killed.—*Pioneer.*

RECLAMATION OF THE SALT WATER LAKE.—The talked-of appearance of a new reclamation scheme is exciting a good deal of interest in Calcutta. It has been, or is to be, called, (for I have only ordinary hearsay to guide me regarding it,) "The Salt Water Lake Reclamation Company." I have no idea of the precise amount of the capital proposed to be raised, nor even of the number of shares; but the company is brought forward under the auspices of unchallengeable promoters, and is likely to be regarded with favour by the local public. The prospectus, I presume, will be published immediately; for, it is said, all the shares have been taken up. The project is well thought of by men of position and sound judgment here; and there need be no fear that, if properly managed, it will entail loss on any one. The company propose to make good dry, wholesome arable land of the pestilential swamp of a salt-water lake, that, at a distance of from two to three miles from the heart of the city, bounds the whole eastern suburb of Calcutta from north to south. The reclamation of this land will be expensive, but it will pay, and will confer immense sanitary benefit on Calcutta. At present every puff of east wind that reaches us is laden with febrile infection; for that it became contaminated in its passage over the surface of the Salt Lake, from which emanate constant and most injurious exhalations. The idea of reclaiming this miasmatic expanse is not new. It has been often before mooted, but never seriously taken up till now.—*Calcutta Correspondent of the Times of India.*

NAWAB ALLEE NUCKEE KHAN.—The ex-Minister of the ex-King of Oude visited Cawnpore the other day. He is not, it seems, allowed to enter Lucknow, and so from Cawnpore his old friends were sent for to meet him. Accordingly, almost all the Nawabs and other notables repaired thither, and the meeting between them and Allee Nuckee is said to have been a most cordial one. It was a farewell meeting, the Nawab being on his way to Mecca. He entreated and obtained the blessings of the High Priest of the Mahomedans on the objects of his journey to the shrine of Mahomet. He is very old and infirm, and in all human probability may not live to return to Calcutta. In that case there will be no end of litigation amongst the numerous members of his family, all of whom will have a desperate fight for the heir's share of his immense wealth.

THE CABOOL REFUGEES.—The residence of the Cabool refugees has been definitely fixed. They will take up their quarters at Jhelum, instead of at Rawul Pindia. Azeem Khan and his brothers have been sent to their new home, and it is hoped they will end their days peaceably.

BANK OF BENGAL.—The directors of the Bank of Bengal on the 25th February raised the rates of interest and discount one per cent. all round.

AFFGHAN AFFAIRS.—We (*Englishman*) hear that the people of Herat are oppressed by the exactions of the Governor of that province, and that many of the head men and Mulliks have written to Sirdar Mahomed Shureef Khan, that if he desired to possess himself of the place no great difficulty would be encountered. It is said that the King of Bokhara contemplates an advance against Balkh. The Ameer has nominated several Khans for the purpose of guarding the frontier and of acquiring information. A new line of post between Cabool and Balkh has also been established. It is also said that the King of Bokhara has given as his reply to the Ambassadors of Khokan that if they agree to the rule of Khoda Yar Khan he would undertake to free the country of Khokan from the grasp of Russia; but, if otherwise, they were to expect no assistance on the part of Bokhara. This alternative was refused. The Russians are engaged in constructing a road from Sakhi Khan towards Oratippa. Feroze Shah, the rebel Prince of Delhi, receives subsistence allowance from the Bokhara State. Orders have been issued by Government that if any particular refugee once departs from the British territories, asylum shall not be again granted to him. This very sensible order has been probably brought about by the recent conduct of the Afghan refugee, Sirdar Azim Khan, who, while living under the protection of the British Government at Rawul Pindlee, has evidently been carrying on intrigues against his brother the Ameer. The less we meddle with Afghan quarrels at present the better.

ABOLITION OF HOOK SWINGING.—We so rarely light upon a Bengali reformer who proceeds from talk to action that we regret the withdrawal of a Bill to make Hook-swinging, as practised in the Churruk Poojah, penal—introduced into the Bengal legislature by Rajah Sutt Shurn Ghosal. The practice is acknowledged to be inhuman, barbarous, and not justified by the shasters, and yet all the members, from Mr. Beadon to Baboo Degumber Mitter, did not consider it a fit subject for legislation. Mr. Cockerell thought the Penal Code provided against it as a nuisance, but confessed that the magistrate could not put it down so long as the public did not consider it a nuisance; while the Baboo thought that public opinion was sufficiently strong to discourage it altogether. Mr. Beadon promised "to issue orders in a short time," which "he hoped" would have the effect of stopping the practice. Public opinion does not exist out of the presidency towns except to support such customs. If the Churruk Poojah is to be stopped it must be by orders so strict that something more than a "hope" may be expressed as to their result. We look to Mr. Beadon for vigorous action.

NEPAUL.—The *Hurkaru* states that the two young men sent to the Presidency for the purpose, having acquired a knowledge of vaccination, a proclamation has been issued to inform the people of its uses and advantages. The vaccinators have been very busy operating on the families of the Sirdars and Ameeris, but the people seem unable to abandon their prejudice against it. The Maharaj Dheraj and Jung Bahadoor had not returned from their hunting excursion into the Terai. Colonel Taylor went to the Goruckpore frontier to meet Colonel R. C. Lawrence, the Resident, who took over charge of the office on the 18th Feb. Dr. N. Cheke, instead of proceeding on furlough, will resign the service on the 1st March.

FEMALE EDUCATION has made such progress during the past two or three years, that the time has arrived when the Government might safely take action in this direction. It has been determined to establish in many of the principal stations of Upper and Lower Bengal girls' schools, which shall be under the direct control of the Government.

RAMPOOR FAIR.—We learn from the *Lahore Chronicle* that the last annual fair held at Rampoor on the Sutlej, in November, was attended by 12,650 traders, from Kunawur, Ladakh, Yarkund, Kulu, Bussahir, and the plains. Merchandise, to the aggregate value of Rs. 2,63,859, was brought for sale, of which the following were the principal items:—

1. Merchandise from Kunawur, Ladakh, and Central Asia:—				Estimated Value.
Churruas ...	...	...	...	43,000
Wool ...	...	...	...	54,113
Pusham ...	...	...	...	71,068
Borax ...	...	...	...	6,281
2. From the plains:—				
Brass and copper, and vessels of ditto ...	...	...	...	23,000
Gold ...	...	...	...	5,360
Flour ...	...	...	...	4,286

Compared with last year, the aggregate value of merchandise has increased by Rs. 41,055-0-7, a result partly attributed to the progress made in the construction of the new road in the valley of the Sutlej.

A NEW SIR LAUNCELOT.—Legal proceedings are about to be instituted against a Christian knight, who did good service in Oudh during the mutinies, for *crim. con.* with the wife of his brother-in-law. A barrister of the High Court is now engaged collecting evidence in the Punjab, within whose moral atmosphere the event is alleged to have occurred, but whether the injured husband intends going in for pecuniary damages, or desires to inflict the penalties provided in the Penal Code, we are not informed; but as he has been offered upwards of a lac of rupees if he will go to England and compromise the matter, and has refused to accept any amount whatever, it is likely that vengeance, and not money, spurs him on. It is a very pretty case as it stands, and the evidence will open out a panorama of Asiatic morals and sham religion which will astound those who believe that conversion to Christianity removes all Oriental ideas.—*Englishman*.

THE EUROPEAN EXODUS.—To an observer who confines his attention to each steamer which leaves Calcutta, Northern India would appear to be emptying itself of Europeans. Every year the pressure on the accommodation of the fortnightly steamers becomes greater, as if there were no French line in existence. That, too, is overburdened. No intending passenger who had not secured a berth before November last will be able to leave Calcutta till May. A weekly steamer during the months of March and April would oblige the public as much as it would profit the Peninsular and Oriental Company. Another cold season, and then the stream will begin to flow westward. Now is the time for Bombay to begin to organise a new company which will run to Suez only.—*Friend of India*.

COMPENSATION TO MR. TER ARRATOON.—The committee, of which Colonel R. Lawrence was president, lately assembled at Umballa, to arbitrate upon the claims of Mr. Ter Arratoon, in respect to the resumption by Government of some of the Bussahir Forests, has decreed him Rs. 20,000 as compensation. The award is considered fair and even liberal.

THE DUC DE BRABANT, before leaving India, marked his appreciation of the services and attention rendered him by the railway officials during his visit to the Upper Provinces by the presentation of various souvenirs. These were accompanied by a few words of graceful kindness, which made the gifts doubly valuable.

REVISION OF TELEGRAPHIC CHARGES.—The Director-general of Telegraphs in India is preparing a revised scale of rates for telegraphic messages, for submission to the Supreme Government. The proposed rates are higher than those now charged. The office establishment of the Government Telegraph Department is about to undergo a thorough revision, to render it more efficient.

THE CHIEF OF FENRAH, in the Harowtee district, which includes Bhoondée, Kotah, and Jhullawa, has been assassinated by his relations. The cause of quarrel has not yet transpired. The authorities have, however, taken the matter up promptly, and have instituted an inquiry into the circumstances.

CHOLERA.—In the Barriepore sub-division of the twenty-four pergunnahs, 65 people were attacked by cholera within a week, 56 died, and the rest recovered. In the Howrah division, 810 persons were attacked with cholera and smallpox, of whom 660 died, 107 recovered, and 43 are still sick.

ADOPTION FEES.—For the future, all feudal and mediatised chiefs will have to give a nuzzaranah, in cases of succession by an adopted son. The nuzzaranah is to be one-fourth of the annual income received in each case by the chief.

THE HON. MR. LEVINGE, having been compelled to go on a further leave of absence to China, for the recovery of his health, Mr. Macpherson has been gazetted to officiate as a judge of the High Court during his absence.

MR. C. ROBERTSON succeeds Mr. A. P. Howell as Under-Secretary to the Government, N.W. Provinces.

HER MAJESTY'S 80th Regiment has left the Presidency for the Bhootan Doora.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 22. St. Bernard, Mason, Hong Kong; Princess Alexandra, Saabye, Adelaide; Buralhin, Mahomed, Rangoon; Earth Mqore, Wright, Liverpool; Margaret Davis, Davis, Melbourne;—23. Selah Jeian, Tegattem, Singapore;—24. Beatrice, Wakenham, Liverpool;—27. P. C. Knell, Pausen, Hamburg; City of Berlin, Taylor, Glasgow;—March 3. Lalla Rookh, Earl, Bombay; René d'Arjov, Bethuac, Sydney.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per City of Berlin.—Mr. Yang.
Per str. Mooltan.—From SOOTRAMPTON.—Mrs. Cotton and child, Mr. and Mrs. D'Oyley and infant, Maj. S. B. Cookson, Mr. Jones, Miss Thompson, Miss Taylor, Mr. Gubbins, Lieut. col. Forke, Maj. and Mrs. Rodcliffe and infant, Mr. Girardot, Miss Hind, Lieut. Holdich, Mr. Turner, Miss Penham, Messrs. A. B. Harvey, W. P. Wright, T. Lloyd, G. A. Lloyd, Minor, and N. A. Singer, Mrs. Keale and infant, Surg. Reade, Mr. Stafford, Miss Hunt, C. Martin, H. Robinson and Mrs. Eliza McCarthy, J. Putting, C. Martin, H. Robinson and Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Quigley and three children, Mr. Inglis, From MANCHESTER.—Mr. Louis, Mr. Wierman, Mr. Dilmohov, Mrs. Palsack, Mr. Porter, Rev. Mr. W. M. Pherson, Maj. Annesley, Lieut. col. Gompertz, Mr. W. E. M. R. T. Sawers, Mr. Forchase, Miss E. Anderson, Mrs. Beale, Mr. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. Strachey and infant, Miss Coddington, Messrs. Seel, Knowles, Peters, Overbury, Nebraska, Marsh, Holway, Bellingo, and Burland, Capt. Scott, Lieut. McKenzie, From SUEZ.—Mrs. Briggs, Dr. Mrs. and Misses Cheke, From SYDNEY.—Jones, Dr. Mrs., and two Misses Cheke, From LANSIDE, From KING GEORGE'S SOUND.—Mr. and Mrs. Archer and three children, From BOMBAY.—Mr. Smith, Mr. Alvey, Mr. Harnden, From GALLE.—Mr. and Mrs. Clarke and two children, From MADRAS.—Lieut. Fletcher, Dr. Barry, Miss Bell, Mr. Crooke, Mr. Ramsbottom.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 16. Antelope, Smith, Colombo; Burmah, Irvine, Akvab, Rangoon, and Moulmein; Punjab, McCullum, Bombay, via Madras Coast;—17. Madeline, Katurer, Bourdeaux; Albert Victor, Clark, London; B. L. Harriman, Fulton, Dundee; Jennie Douglas, Donaldson, China;—18. Lincoln, Leeson, London; Lightning, Husband, Bombay; Futia Ool Aziz, Nacoda, Judda; Bhosquegger, Bonnet, China;—19. Mula, Bland, Bombay, via Madras Coast; Thalatta, Hall, Bombay; Roslin Castle, Davidson, London; Genu, Carr, Bombay; Queen Esther, Dubera, Jaffnapatam; Peter Maxwell, Marshall, Dundee; Arabia, Nacoda, Judda; Star of Denmark, Savage, London;—20. Nada, Colurn, Colombo, via Madras Coast; Caprica, Henderson, Shanghai; Eastern Belle, McCullum, Falmouth; Glenora, Edward, Colombo;—21.—Caldew, Clarkson, Melbourne; Nubia, Zedelus, Penang and Singapore;—22. George Gilroy, Wallace, Dundee; Metis, Nickelson, Hamburg; Tirrell, Morgan, Moulmein;—23. Orissa, Ballantyne, Chittagong and Akvab; Thunder, Taylor, Straits and Hong Kong; Quanta, White, Shanghai; Louis Gaveaux, Riboulet, Melbourne; Hampden, Macdonald, London;—24. Shave Donard, Thompson, Bombay; Bean Camha, McCann, Bombay; Ravclaw, Hughes, Boston; Scotia, McLean, Hull;—25. Nemesis, Castle, Suez; Indomitable, Carren, Hong Kong; Royal Albert, Davies, Mauritius; Rangoon, Templeton, Rangoon, Moulmein, and Straits.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Arabia.—Miss Burge, Capt. Affeck, M. Dumollard, Mr. Trumann, Misses Borrow, Lieut. Allan, Mr. Schroder, Mr. Knox, Mr. S. Meln, Mr. Mair, Mrs. Hamond and child, Mr. Gibbon, Mr. E. Campbell, Dr. Barrow, Mr. Barrow, Mr. Burge, Lieut. Curry, Eugine Armstrong, Lieut. col. Jackson, Mr. Strachan, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Tule, Mr. Naegeli, Mr. J. Walker, Mr. Hally, Mr. Walter Blackey, Mr. Hugh Fletcher, Mr. Frene Venere, Mr. Garry.

Per str. Cashmere.—Mrs. Perrin, Miss Biss, Mrs. Oldham, Capt. Eyre, Mrs. Eyre, Mr. and Mrs. Lauce, Mr. and Mrs. Pennington, Mrs. Crawford, Miss Crawford, Mr. Robinson, Mrs. Perrin, Mr. Schillizzi, Mr. Gregory, Mrs. Richardson, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Sage, Mrs. Sage and child, Mr. A. Arathoon, Mr. C. Arathoon, Mr. O. Sethi, Mr. Oldham, Mr. A. Cohen, Mr. Lang, Mr. Crowhurst, Capt. Robinson, Mrs. Gregory, Major Jennings, H. Bell.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, March 6, 1865.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price
4 per Cent. Sa.	Sa. Rs. 89	Rs. 88 12 to 89 0
Do. Transfer Stock.	Sa. Rs. 90	89 4 to 89 8
4 per Cent. Co.'s Rs.	Co.'s Rs. 100	8 8 to 8 10 pm.
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co.'s Rs. 100	102 to 102 4
5 per Cent. 56-57.	Co.'s Rs. 100	103 to 108 12

EXCHANGE.

On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight ... 2 1/2 to 2 15-16
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight ... 2 1 3/8 to 2 1 1/2
Bills with Docts.	at 6 months' sight ... 2 1/2 to 2 1 1/2
Bank Post Bills	at 1 months' sight ... 2 0 to 2 0 1/2

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paid-up.	Quoted at
Rs. each.	Rs. each.	Rs.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	1400 to 1410
Alliance Tea Company	85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	200	610 to 620
Balasan Tea Company	100	135 to 140
Bank of Bengal	1000	1925
Beerbhoo Coal Company	1000	7900 to 8200
Bengal Coal Company	200	Nom. to 175
Bengal Printing Company	100	1120 to 1110
Bengal River Company	100	15 to 10 dis.
Bengal Tea Company	500	674 to 680
Bengal Oil Company	100	357 to 340
Bengal Credit Mobilier (Lim.)	100	186 to 188
Bismuth Tea Company	250	par Nominal
Bonded Warehouse Association	445	90
Borokai Tea Company (Limited)	25	235 to 240
British India Tea	80	3 to 4 pm.
Brunton's Press Company (Limited)	50	par
Burdwan Stone Company	100	5 to 10 pm.
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	75 to 80
Cachar Tea Company	100	185
Cachar Tea Company	115	15 to 16 dis.
Cachar Tea Company	600	725 to 730
Calcutta Docking Company	700	50 to 55 pm.
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	1350 to 1370
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	52	585 to 600
Central Assam Tea Company	100	52
Central Cachar Tea Company	100	101
Chatlawhar Tea Company	200	275 to 230
Commercial Transport Association	100	200 to 262
Delhra Doon Tea Company	100	5 to 10 dis.
Delhi Bank Corporation	500	90 to 92
Doon Terai Tea Company	100	710
Dooterai Tea Company (Limited)	100	96 to 97
Durrung Tea Company	45	96 to 97
E. B. Indigo Company	100	5 dis.
East India Coal Company	100	75 to 80
East India Railway Company	100	33 to 34
East India Tea Company	218	216
Eastern Bengal Tea Company	100	118 to 120
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	80	12 to 13 pm.
Eastern Steam Tug Company	50	55 to 56
Equitable Coal Company	100	125 to 130
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	50	20 to 22 pm.
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	216
Gula Giant Tea Company	250	1325
Goswary Cotton Mills	60	220 to 225
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	215 Nominal
Hoochly Steam Tug Company	1000	500
Hoochly Lighter Association	80	250
Hope Town Tea Association	100	250
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	308
Howrah Docking Company	500	272 to 275
Hunter and Company	250	8 to 10 dis.
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	390
Jorahant Tea Company	206	1210 to 1225
Kunchunpore Tea Company	100	10 to 15 dis.
Kureong and Dejeering Tea Co.	250	105
Landing Shipping	100	105
Leobang and Muehlon Tea Company	65	515
Loetv. Cotton Screw Company	25	200 to 220
Lower Assam Tea Company	35	245 to 248
Luckampore Tea Company	155	30 to 25 dis.
Moncherra Tea Company	60	par to 5 pm.
Moran Tea Company (Limited)	70	par
Muttuck Tea Company	50	50 to 55 pm.
Mutual Tea Company	100	13 to 14 pm.
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	50 par
New Fort Gostor Company	600	123
North-West Indigo Company	100	16 to 18 pm.
North-West Screwing Company	60	200
Oriental Gas Company	£1	272 1/2
Peoples Bank of India	100	1400 to 1450
Port Canning Land Company	1000	70 to 75
Punjab Bank	100	par
Punjab Trading	75	124 to 13
Raukabarra Tea Company	100	75 to 80
Ramghar Tea Company	100	3300 pm.
Royal Bank of India	200	120 to 123
R. Scott Thomson and Company	500	75
Screwing Company (Limited)	200	100
Sea Salt Company	80	par Nominal
Seehsangor Tea Company	100	
Simla Bank	500	
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	
Soom Tea Company	80	
Soorispore Tea Company	1000	
South Cachar Tea Company	100	
Spence's Hotel Company	250	
Strand Pressing Company (Limited)	62 1/2	
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	200	
Tierhot Indigo	200	
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	
Union Steam Tug Company	250	
Upper Assam Tea Company	100	
Victoria Tea Company	250	
Ditto, contributory	190	

Ramghar Tea Company	100	par
Ditto	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	142
R. Scott Thomson and Company	500	500
Screwing Company (Limited)	200	186
Sea Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.
Seehsangor Tea Company	100	83
Simla Bank	500	660 to 655
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Soom Tea Company	80	12 to 15 pm.
Soorispore Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1510
Ditto	750	450 to 480 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100	78 to 80
Spence's Hotel Company	250	230
Strand Pressing Company (Limited)	62 1/2	9 to 10 pm.
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	200	165 to 170
Tierhot Indigo	200	200 to 202
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	200 to 205
Ditto, contributory	70	par
Union Steam Tug Company	250	220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	100	180 to 182
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to 240
Ditto, contributory	190	14 to 16 dis.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
Saltpetre	£1 10 0 to 0 0 0	1 0 0 1 5 0
Sugar	Nominal.	Nominal.
Rice	do.	do.
Seeds	2 17 6 to 3 0 0	2 10 0 0 0 0
Jute	2 17 6 to 3 5 0	3 0 0 0 0 0
Cotton	3 5 0 3 10 0	3 15 0 4 0 0

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

REGIMENTAL GARDENS.—The experiment which has proved so successful in the case of the European troops in the Presidency of Madras, of cultivating regimental gardens, has been tried with several native infantry regiments in the same Presidency, and attended with the most gratifying results. Reports from the commanding officers of ten native regiments have been laid before the Madras Government, giving an account of the progress of the experiment. It is amusing to notice the feeling with which, in some regiments, the idea was first received. Some tact and persuasion was necessary to induce the men even to think of the undertaking, their objection being "from Adam's time to the present no trooper was ever guilty of tilling the earth." The rubicon being once passed, however, a great interest and rivalry began to spring up as to the appearance and productiveness of the respective plots, and the men's spare time is passed in cultivating their gardens instead of strolling about the lines and bazaars. One result of the establishment of such gardens is the formation of habits of industry among the men; another is, through the cultivation of flowers, which is also attended to in some regiments, the formation of taste; a third is the substitution of fresh and good vegetables grown by the men themselves for the stale and bad vegetables bought by them in the bazaars, and a fourth is a small profit which they can make from the sale of surplus vegetables. The regiments seem hitherto to have received no aid from Government, excepting some supplies of bad seeds, which would not grow, and some garden tools. The men of some regiments have dug and built wells to enable them in the dry season to water their plots, and others are about to be dug. The satisfactory nature of the reports and the praiseworthy zeal of the men has led the Commander-in-Chief to recommend a grant for prizes on the scale laid down for European troops, but the Governor in Council has granted a fixed sum not exceeding 50 rupees for prizes to each of the two regiments in which regimental gardens have been established a full twelvemonth. The success of these gardens, coupled with the success of the recent exhibition of the products of soldiers' workshops at Meeran Meer, is a proof of the interest that is being taken in the condition and elevation of the soldier, and the experiments are worthy of imitation in other quarters.—*Bombay Gazette.*

CONVICT OUTBREAK AT TELlichERRY.—An attempt was made in the early part of March by the prisoners in the Tellicherry Jail to effect an escape, in which they were assisted by people outside. A sepoy convict, who did not

enter into the conspiracy, divulged the plot to the officers in charge, who took measures accordingly. The signal for the ruffians within was given by four great stones being hurled from slings outside to the top of the building, when one of the prisoners broke through the roof of his cell and attempted to make off. The guard immediately fired, but without effect, except frightening the fellow into a leap over the wall, which landed him with a broken leg. Nothing further occurred that day; but the next, when the Sessions Judge arrived, one of the men became insolent to him and had one hundred and fifty lashes on the spot. Subsequently eight others tried to seize the jailor, but were put down by the guard. It is stated that in some unexplained manner the convicts had for days previous been supplied with tools of all kinds. Not the least remarkable feature in the occurrence is the sympathy of the multitude outside, but then, it is the Moplah country, and a great man among them was pining away in fetters at the time.

MR. STALKART'S PLOUGH.—The *Madras Times* understands that Mr. John Stalkart, of Calcutta, has brought down a plough of his invention, which promises to be of great utility to native agriculturists. Mr. Stalkart's is a one-handed plough, thus falling in with native ideas, and is adapted only to bullocks. Its simplicity of construction, the superiority with which it does its work, and the ease it affords to the ploughmen, have elicited much admiration. An enumeration of its merits may be interesting to agriculturists, and we therefore add, that the share projects below the sole plate of the plough, so that it always enters, and its long pole and short chain—only eighteen inches—prevent it going too deep, and confer all the advantages of the wheel in the various English ploughs. The share and pole being fixtures, give the plough great steadiness; the yoke also is so constructed as to enable the cattle, without hurt to themselves, to use their full strength—qualities which will put an end to galled necks, and entitle the patentee to a medal of honour from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. We are glad to hear that Government have purchased the plough and yoke with a view to its being thoroughly tried and exhibited to the people.

COMMERCIAL.

Madras, March 9, 1865.

BANK OF MADRAS.

Interest on Loans on deposit of Govt. Securities	11 per ct.
On Cash Credits on do. (subject to commission of 1/2 per cent. on the sum granted) on amount drawn	11 per ct.
Discount on Government Bills	9 per ct.
Ditto on Private Bills, at or within 3 months	13 per ct.
Loans on deposit of Government paper	7 per ct.

EXCHANGES.

Document Bills, at 6 months' sight	2 1
Credit to 6 months	2 0 1/2
Agents' Bills on England, at 6 months	2 0 1/2
" " " at 3 months	2 0
" " " at 1 month	2 0
" " " at sight	1 1 1/2
H.M.'s Treasury Bills	None.
Bank of England Post Bills	None.
Mauritius Government Bills	Nominal.
Ceylon ditto	"
Court of Directors' Bill on the Government of Bengal, 30 days' sight	None.
Agents' Bills on Calcutta, 30 days	1/2 pm.
Ditto on Bombay	1 1/2 dis.

RATES OF ADVANCE.

On Govt. 5 1/2 per cent. Promissory Notes	100 per ct.
Ditto 5 1/2 ditto ditto	95 per ct.
Ditto 4 1/2 ditto ditto	90 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Stock Receipts	80 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Promissory Notes Sicca	85 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto Company's	85 per ct.
Ditto 3 1/2 ditto ditto ditto	per ct.
On Tanjore ditto ditto ditto	98 per ct.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

5 1/2 per cent. Loan	1859	8 pm
5 per cent. ditto	1856-57	2 pm
4 per cent.	1852-53	
Ditto	1853-54	10 dis
Ditto	1854-55	
5 per cent. Transferable Book Debt		No transaction.

FREIGHTS.

London and Liverpool.—Sugar, £1. 5s.; Indigo, £1. 10s.; Hides and Skins, £3. 10s.; Cotton, £3. 5s. to £3. 7s. 6d.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE ANGLO-INDIAN MAIL SERVICE.—The *Indian Daily News*, in advocating the despatch of the Calcutta mails via Bombay, and an establishment of a weekly service between Bombay and Suez, complains of the length of time occupied by the P. and O. steamers, which it speaks of as "monstrous, in the present state of steam navigation," and adds:—"For the purpose of comparison, we may state that the distance between Bombay and Suez is 2,716 miles. That from Liverpool to New York is 3,073 miles. The former occupies an average of fourteen days, and the latter is frequently run in nine days. If we come to another point of comparison, the distance from Galway to New York is 2,815 miles, and it was proposed to run this distance in from seven to eight days. This is little more than half the time occupied on the Bombay line, in communicating with the largest and most important dependency of the British Crown. There is also another element of calculation—the nature of the seas to be navigated, and everything is greatly in favour of the Oriental as against the Western seas. Under these circumstances we submit that the time has well nigh arrived for an improvement in the mail service between England and India. We know that there are difficulties in the way of running weekly steamers between Bombay and Suez. But that difficulty may not be of long continuance. The railway will be completed in due course; and the Exhibition contemplated for next year in Bombay will carry with it a necessity that cannot well be avoided. The enterprising citizens of the western capital will do themselves an injustice if they do not look this subject fairly in the face. If they do so, we can have no fear of the result, as Bombay must become the grand *entrepot* of the tide of emigration which flows to the east in an augmenting stream. Public opinion is ripe for the change, and it must come in spite of either vested interests or official obtrusiveness."

BANK-NOTE FORGERIES.—Many of our readers will probably remember the clever capture of a gang of forgers in September of last year, when Mr. Souter, the commissioner of police, with some of his detectives, had so skilfully arranged their plans that they ascended, by means of a ladder, to the verandah of a house in the native town, and suddenly entered through the window into the room where the forgers were at work, taking them so by surprise that they were all secured before they could conceal the slightest evidence of their guilt. Several notes were found in the various stages of completion, together with the implements necessary for carrying on their nefarious trade; there was, consequently, no difficulty in securing a conviction at their trial, when one prisoner was sentenced to seven years' imprisonment, one to two years', and the remaining two to eighteen months each. When Mr. Souter took up the appointment of Commissioner of Police, the cases of forgery brought to his notice were very numerous, but the attempts to discover the forgers were for a long time fruitless, owing to the defence invariably set up by anyone detected in attempting to pass a forged note, being that it had been received in the ordinary course of business along with many others, and that the numbers, &c., were not taken. The difficulty will be sufficiently apparent when it is stated that this is the only conviction since July, 1863, although the forgeries were known to be very numerous. To obviate this difficulty, Mr. Souter held out the inducement of liberal remuneration to anyone who would give information that would lead to the detection and conviction of any forgers. This after a time had the desired effect, and resulted in the conviction of the four prisoners above mentioned. We understand that

Mr. Souter laid the matter before Government, explaining the difficulty of obtaining information by any other means, and recommending that the informers and police engaged in the case should be liberally rewarded for their successful exertions. It gives us great pleasure to add that Government has adopted Mr. Souter's suggestion by directing that Rs. 3,000 should be distributed among the three informers and the seven policemen referred to. Between April of last year and the end of January of this, some 88 forged notes have been stopped, representing the sum of Rs. 16,970. Government has therefore acted wisely in giving the Rs. 3,000 in this case, and we hope the plan will be adhered to, for unless a more artistic note were introduced as to render forgery almost an impossibility, no more effective means could be adopted to prevent forgeries in future.—*Times of India*.

PARSEES IN PERSIA.—On behalf of the Parsee community of Western India, Mr. Manockjee Limjee Antaria will shortly proceed to Persia again with the view to prosecute the work of improving the condition of the Zoroastrians residing in the country, and of devising measures to relieve them from the imposts levied by the Persian Government. This gentleman returned to Bombay a few months ago after working in Persia for upwards of ten years in ameliorating the condition of the Zoroastrians, in making researches regarding all relics and monuments of the ancient Persian kings and heroes, and in effecting all possible arrangements with the court at Teheran to render the burden of taxation upon Zoroastrians as light as possible. He also established a school in Persia for teaching the rudiments of education to the sons of Zoroastrians. He will be accompanied on this occasion by two Parsee assistants. The son of Dostoor Sorabjee, Rustumjee, head priest, also accompanies these travellers with the view to study Arabic and Persian.

THE REPORT ON THE HOUSE OF CORRECTION.—The Report of the Committee of Management of the House of Correction for the past year shows that there has been a very large decrease in the expenses attending the support of prisoners confined in that prison during the past year, as compared with previous years. This is brought about by the better management of the prison both in respect to the enhanced profits derived from prison labour as well as the decreased actual commissariat charges for provisions, notwithstanding the considerable rise in the rates of food, &c. It appears that each prisoner confined in the House of Correction in 1860 cost the State Rs. 14 per mensem; in 1861, Rs. 11-4; in 1862, a little more than Rs. 14, but in the following year 1863, the cost again decreased to Rs. 12; during the past year the cost of each prisoner in the penitentiary was about Rs. 14-5-8 per annum, or Rs. 12-2 per mensem, being about six annas and six pies per diem. Including the additional charges on account of establishment, but deducting those charges which appear in the account for the first time, the cost of each prisoner, as compared with former years was, in 1864, about Rs. 108-10 per annum, or a little less than Rs. 9 per mensem, or nearly five annas per diem. It will, however, be seen that more than one-half the charges alluded to were on account of establishment, and looking to the fact that nearly 400 Europeans were imprisoned in the penitentiary in 1864, a number much larger than in any previous year, and considering the present high prices for provisions and clothing, the committee believe that the greatest economy has been exercised in the management of the prison during the past year.

SIR WILLIAM MANSFIELD.—The Commander-in-Chief reached Kotree by the express train, on the 20th Feb., and proceeded at once on board the commissioner's yacht *Oobarah*, where every arrangement had been

made for his reception. In the evening he crossed the river and visited Hydrabad. The troops were drawn up in line on the general parade ground in full dress, and received his Excellency with the salute due to his rank. After inspecting the line the troops marched past in quick time; this done, the Artillery and detachment 109th Regiment proceeded to their barracks, and the Commander-in-Chief commenced a more minute inspection of the Beloochees, a regiment which has always been a special favourite of his, and lately armed with the Enfield rifle. On the present occasion the Commander-in-Chief expressed great pleasure at again meeting them, was glad to find them looking so well, and assured them he had not forgotten their services with him in the North-West Provinces. All the officers and sirdars were called to the front, and separately introduced by their commanding officer. The Commander-in-Chief visited the barracks of the 109th and Artillery. Our old friends in the former received a high compliment for their general state of efficiency, and the chief then returned to Kotree. We believe it was Sir William Mansfield's intention to have paid the battle-field of Meance a visit, but slight indisposition before he left Kurrachee prevented his doing so. His Excellency left Kotree early on the 21st for Sukkur, where he was expected on the 26th.—*Sindian*.

THE HILL STATION OF MAHABLESHWUR.—The annual report on this station for the year 1864 has just been issued by the Superintendent, D. H. Cook, and laid on the editor's table. The report for 1863 showed a balance in hand of Rs. 3,508-8-11; that for 1864 shows one of Rs. 6,217-15-10. Of this balance a sum of Rs. 2,091 has been advanced, by order of the collector, for expenses incurred in establishing the Government cinchona plantation at Singmulla, and is to be refunded to the station. The report then proceeds to enumerate various improvements at the station, among which it appears that the Framjee Nusserwanjee Dhurumsalla has been completed and opened for public convenience; several new roads have been cut, and subscriptions partly collected to erect a public hall. The school has again been "revived into life." An attempt was made to collect funds to erect a new church, but as it was unsuccessful, it has been proposed to alter and improve the present building by expending between Rs. 4,000 and Rs. 5,000 upon it. The president of the Station Committee has sanctioned the payment of Rs. 2,000 from the fund, and the residue must be raised by subscription. The cinchona plantation at Singmulla is to be converted into a botanical garden. The Forest Department has been remodelled, and the Municipal Act introduced into the bazaar. The treasury transactions, which reached in 1863 the sum of Rs. 2,20,754, were increased last year by nearly half a lac.

THE "GENERAL HAVLOCK" S.S.—The Bombay Coast and River Steam Navigation Company's new steamer, *General Havlock*, Captain Kingcomb, arrived in harbour on the morning of the 28th Feb., from Waterford, which port she left on the 6th December, having called at St. Vincent's, Cape of Good Hope, Mauritius, and Cochin, making the run in seventy-four days under steam, and eighty from Waterford to this port. The *General Havlock* is a pretty little steamer of 280 gross tons, 160 feet length over all, and extreme beam 22 feet 8 inches. Her engines, of 60 horse-power, are direct acting. She is fitted with all modern improvements, and built entirely of iron and teak fittings. The eminent Glasgow firm of Blackwood and Gordon are the builders, who also fitted her engines. This vessel will be a very valuable acquisition to the Company, the more especially since their recent loss of the *Johnstone Castle*.

MR. A. S. D. GREY. who returned to Bombay on March 1 from furlough to Europe, is appointed acting private secretary to his Excellency the Governor.

A HORSE RAILWAY IN BOMBAY.—The want of some means of public conveyance between the more distant parts of Bombay has long been a matter of great inconvenience, but we are happy to say that this want is soon to be supplied. The project to which we allude is the formation of street railways on the American principle, the first of which is to be from the Apollo Bunder to Byculla. Messrs. Stearns, Hobart, and Co. have concluded terms with the Municipal Commissioners, and the works will be speedily commenced. We understand that the rails have been ordered from England and the carriages from America, and by the time the latter arrive the roads will be ready to receive the carriages. Public traffic by this means, it is expected, will be in full operation by the end of the monsoon. The road will, for most of the way, have a double line of rails. Starting from Apollo Bunder it will run up Juggeeva-street, thence to Duncan-road, and along Duncan-road to the bridge over the Byculla Railway. In returning the road will be down the Parell or Bhendy Bazaar-road to the Apollo Bunder. Should this length of line prove successful, it may be extended to Bandora. There will be three rates of fare. A first-class carriage will start every 15 minutes, a second-class one every five or ten minutes, from five o'clock in the morning until twelve at night. Third-class passengers will be accommodated on the roofs of both classes. The fares will be for the first class four annas, for the second class two annas, and for the third class one anna; and when it is remembered that a passenger can ride all the way, three miles, for these respective amounts, they are doubtless very cheap. The advantages of such a mode of conveyance are too apparent to need enumeration. In most of the large cities of the United States, such as New York, Philadelphia, and Boston, in Havana, Paris, Stockholm, Birkenhead, &c., these conveyances are as common as omnibuses are in London, and the crowds which travel by them prove their great utility. More convenient and more comfortable than the omnibus, they usually accommodate double the number of passengers; and as they run at regular intervals, and stop to set down or take up passengers whenever required, they form one of the most agreeable modes of conveyance imaginable. This new means of transport will prove an immense boon to Bombay, and the promotion and management are in the right hands to ensure success.—*Times of India.*

THE BAR GRIEVANCE.—Mr. Anstey, it will be remembered, was recently thwarted in his attempt to address the High Court on its Appellate side in the English language, by a Vakil, Mr. Mahadwarao Kristna opposing it, on the ground of his being unacquainted with that language. The Judges then sitting were of opinion that the Vakil opposing Mr. Anstey was entitled to learn all Mr. Anstey might happen to say, so as effectually to reply to it; but as the learned counsel contended that he was entitled, as an English barrister, to address the High Court and every other Court throughout Her Majesty's dominions in the English language, and that if a Vakil knew it not he might for his own benefit employ an interpreter, but could not prevent a barrister from employing the English language. The Judges took time to consider the matter, ordering the case to stand over, pending their decision upon this preliminary point. The point was accordingly considered by all the Judges, including the Chief Justice; and on the 8th of March Mr. Justice Couch delivered the result of their deliberation to Mr. Anstey and other members of the Bar. It was to the effect that the Registrar was wrong in having brought on the case in the Barrister Judge's Court of which the language was English, when the Vakil on one side knew not that language; and when there was no special order by the Court for him to be acquainted

with it, and that it would, therefore, be referred to the non-Barrister Judges' Court, of which the language was the vernacular language of the country to which the case belonged.

VALUE OF LAND IN BOMBAY.—A plot of building ground, situated at the back of Messrs. B. and A. Hormusjee Wadia's new premises in the Elphinstone Circle, belonging to the municipality, and measuring four hundred and forty-four square yards, was put up to public sale by auction by Messrs. Crawford and Co., on the afternoon of the 28th of February. It was originally intended to build offices for the municipal commissioners on this site, but that idea having been abandoned, they determined to sell the same to the highest bidder. There were only a few Parsees present at the sale, which was carried on without much animation; notwithstanding which, however, the ground was knocked down at £9 the square yard, to Mr. Dinshaw Hormusjee Pettit; the area, consisting of four hundred and forty-four square yards, therefore, realised the sum of £3,996.

KHANDEISH FARMING COMPANY (LIMITED).—At a meeting of this company, held on the 2nd March, called to consider the position of affairs as regards titles to the lands at Hutnoor and Bunshendra, and a proposal to wind up the company voluntarily, the acceptance of Mr. W. A. Kerr's title to the lands specified was confirmed. The meeting declined to consider the proposal to wind up the company, and passed a resolution expressing dissatisfaction at the wilful absence of a representative of the firm of Messrs. Ewart, Latham, and Co., the secretaries and treasurers, none of whom were present.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.—With reference to recent changes in the Church of Scotland staff, we understand that Government has sanctioned that the Rev. M. M. Ross, the senior chaplain, shall continue to be chaplain of Poonah and Kirkee, and that the Rev. D. Macpherson shall remain in Bombay as the chaplain of St. Andrew's Church. As a recognition of his able services with the 72nd Highlanders, the Rev. John Paton has been appointed by the Secretary of State an assistant chaplain on the establishment.

BOMBAY LOYALTY.—An address numerously signed has been presented to his Excellency the Governor of Bombay requesting him to accept the presidency of a committee formed to promote the erection in this city of some grand memorial of the Queen and the Prince Consort, one which should also mark the inauguration of her Majesty's rule over Hindustan. His Excellency has signified his acceptance, and his cordial approval of the movement.

CHOLERA AMONG PILGRIMS.—The Bombay *Mercantile News* is informed that cholera broke out at Palatana amongst the crowd of people who recently visited that place on the occasion of the inauguration of the temple erected by Kessowjee Naik, and that 1,600 beings fell victims to the scourge. It is asserted that one hundred and twenty thousand people were present at one time.

CAPTAIN W. GORE JONES and the officers of H.M.'s *Princess Royal* gave a farewell *soiree dansante*, on the 28th February, on board the flag-ship. Captain Hobson, of the *Vigilant*, who has just returned from a long cruise in the Persian Gulf and the Bay of Bengal, will be the senior naval officer in port after the departure of the *Princess Royal* till the arrival of the *Severn* about the end of March or the beginning of April.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.—The local directory of this railway is to be abolished, and a resident director, with almost absolute power over all the departments, is to be substituted. Captain Sherard Osborne, R.N., is to be the director, on a salary of Rs. 3,000 per month.

LORD JOHN HAY, one of the directors of the Malta and Alexandria Telegraph, has arrived in Bombay, accompanied by Mr. D. Gibbs, the manager of the line, for the purpose of re-opening the question of establishing a line from Suez to Bombay via Aden.

MR. WATKINS, the second assistant registrar on the original jurisdiction side of the High Court, will in all probability succeed Mr. H. Gamble as clerk to the Hon. Sir Joseph Arnould, one of the Puisne judges of the High Court.

MR. A. F. BELLASIS has been appointed collector of Bombay, special commissioner, collector of income-tax, and superintendent of stamps and stationery.

MR. WILLIAM HOVENDEN THACKER was on Saturday, March 4, sworn in before the Hon. the Chief Justice as an attorney of the High Court.

MR. W. A. EAST is confirmed in his appointment of deputy registrar and sealer to the Appellate side of the High Court.

REAR-ADMIRAL ST. VINCENT KING, C.B., has left for China in his flag ship, the *Princess Royal*, to take over command of the naval forces from Admiral Kuper.

SIR CHARLES VAN STRAUBENZEE is now in Bombay, and will shortly take up the post of acting Commander-in-Chief.

MR. JAMES GIBBS has been appointed acting agent for Sirdars in the Deccan, and also judge and session judge of Poona.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 28. Str. Gen. Havelock, Kingcome, Waterford; Khorrason, Wilson, Liverpool. — March 1. Abbotsford, Coopers, Galle; str. Rangoon, Coleman, Suez. — 2. Marquard Family, Smith, Singapore; W. A. Farnsworth, Thorndike, Moulmein. — 3. Jodel Manna, Jarvis, Calcutta. — 5. str. Gopra, Ramare, Calcutta; Leamington, Bell, Colombo; Themis, Williams, Calcutta. — 6. Otogo, Masterton, Liverpool; Trade Wind, Smith, Rangoon; Salote, Soule, Liverpool; Bulwark, Kelly, Liverpool. — 7. Favourite, Garnier, Siam; Manilla, Cameron, Calcutta; str. Punjab, McCulland, Calcutta. — 8. Clyde, Woodmass, Cochin; Canova, James, Calcutta; str. Mula, Bland, Calcutta; Palinurus, Pagan, Liverpool; John Melhuish, Watts, Rangoon. — 9. Stalwart, Wilson, Liverpool; Duncairn, Finlay, Liverpool; Conpta, Murphy, Moulmein; Pride of the Ocean, Anderson, Calcutta; str. Orissa, Hector, Hong Kong; Sea Pink, Kinnon, Liverpool. — 11. Prosperine, Hiltz, Liverpool; Nile, Bristow, Kurrachee.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Rangoon. — From MARSEILLES. — Lieut. Col. Prettjohn, Col. Gell, Capt. Stanfield, Capt. Blowers, Capt. Curling, Capt. Jones, Mrs. Nicolson, Miss Nicolson, Mr. and Mrs. Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. Curran, Lord John Hay, Messrs. Messrs. Palmer, Grey, Bellasis, Mall, Stone, Brereton, H. Brereton, Gaddum, Pearson, Tanner, Bishop, Lybrandt, Morrison. From SOUTHAMPTON. — Capt. and Mrs. Davidson, Maj. Crichton, Capt. Mathew, Maj. Brown, Lieut. Alleyne, Mrs. Oldershaw, Asst.-surg. Doyle, Messrs. Hore, Steel, McLeod, Haydon, Cameron, Barclay, Moorehouse, Guy, Alison, Sennett, Freeman, Strofton, Davies, Bowley, Messrs. Lowe, Middleton, Taylor, Witham, Wilson, Webb, Moir, Mathews, Whittaker, Mrs. Coulter. From SUZ. — Mr. and Mrs. Bellasis, Messrs. Nairne, Gibbs, Albert, Everasher, and five Roman Catholic priests. From ADEN. — Serj. Holland and wife, Mr. Fogwill.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 29. Lady Havelock, Neill, Liverpool. — March 1. Str. Malta, Gribble, Aden and Suez; Glenlyon, Fry, Liverpool; Merwanjee Framjee, Pike, Liverpool. — 2. str. Benares, Collett, China, &c.; Shaftesbury, Lewis, Liverpool; Carica, James, Liverpool; Omer Pasha, Jeffries, Calcutta. — 3. Esperanza, Nacoda, Mozambique; Shaw Allum, Clerk, Calcutta. — 4. Futeh Allum, Suow, Calcutta; Soolo, Hutchinson, Calcutta; Mars, Sanderson, Liverpool; Bushire Merchant, Nacoda, Jooda and Hoododah. — 5. Adriatic, Thompson, Liverpool; Chanticleer, Hannsford, Rangoon; Dorothy, Thompson, Liverpool; Eloisa, Philpot, Liverpool; str. Princess Royal, Jones, China. — 6. Minucetta, Laverick, Moulmein; India, Crawford, Moulmein; Dilpusund, Seymour, London via Havre; str. Kona, Trott, Aden and Suez. — 8. Agra, Bell, Colombo; Nurbudda, Nacoda, Rangoon; Flying Venus, Litten, Liverpool. — 9. Ajmeer, Smith, Liverpool; Wasp, Story, Liverpool. — 10. Alicia Bland, Brown, Calcutta. — 11. Monmouthshire, Ewing, Liverpool; Krishna, Platts, Aden; City of Manchester, Auld, Liverpool; Fanny, Wulff, Batavia; Bombay, Miller, Aden. — 14. Mail str. Baroda, Haslewood, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. str. Baroda. — For SUZ. — Maj. gen. A. T. Cunynghame, C.B., Capt. Laprimandaye, Mr. P. Halton, Dr. Sibbald, Mr. F. Borsini, Mr. Newbigging. For MARSEILLES. — Mr. Charneck, W. McIntyre, Mr. W. Nixon, Lord and Lady George Paget, Capt. A. Chichester, Mr. Macnaughten and infant, Capt. Harris, wife, and infant, Mr. R. B. Dastnedge, Rev. J. Wilson and three children, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ryland and infant, Mr. Molison, Maj. F. L. Maguar, Mr. Morris,

Mrs. Bean, Dr. J. Hore, Capt. J. E. Ealmaun, Mrs. Mayhew, Mrs. Knight, Mr. Heyland, Mr. Good, Capt. R. Taylor, Capt. Bradford, Lieut. Merriman, R.E., Mr. and Mrs. Mosey and two infants, Mr. Lambert, Mr. and Mrs. Goldie, Capt. Kramer and child, Capt. Ferris, Eas. Rowley, Mr. Bell, Mr. W. F. Forsyth and wife. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Farry and three children, Mr. W. W. Hemde, M.D., Mr. and Mrs. Koopmans. For MALTA.—Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Robertson, Mrs. Sheppard, Capt. Sheppard, Capt. Bannermen. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. and Mrs. G. Christian and five children, Mr. E. Giles, Mrs. Dobree and infant, Mr. J. Taylor, Miss Flood, Mrs. Langston, Mr. Dadabhoi D. Cama and wife, Mr. D. Ezekiel, Mr. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Flinders, Mr. and Mrs. Charlton and two children, Mr. J. Glover, Lieut. F. L. Lowther, R.N., Mrs. Nevill, Capt. Barton, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke and infant, Mrs. Edginton and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Byrne and infant, Mrs. Ellis and infant, Mr. Ghopalsuree Fratspasingh, Mr. Ghopalsuree Jejrungjee, Mrs. Pearce and child, Capt. K. Gison and wife, Mr. C. Miller, Mr. E. Nelson, Comdr. Frayser, R.N., Capt. Sinclair, Mrs. R. Whitchole, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, Mr. N. Howard.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, March 13, 1865.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks—at	
6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s. ½d.	
6 ditto ditto	2s. ½d. Cred. Bills.
6 ditto ditto	2s. ½d. Docts.
On Calcutta, at sight, per 100	101½
Ditto at 30 days' ditto	100½
Ditto at 60 days' ditto	99½
On Madras, at 30 days' ditto	100
On China, at 60 days' ditto	Rs. 220 per 100 doles.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES

Agra Bank (Rs. 500)	180 pr. cent. pm
Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000)	129 do.
Bank of India (Rs. 25)	36 pm.
Broker's Banking Co. (Rs. 20)	12 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 250)	95 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200)	115 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500)	105 do.
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200)	100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 20)	83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 250)	190 do. inc. n.sh.
Oriental Bank Corporation (Rs. 250)	100 pm.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25)	98 do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000)	137 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000)	par
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 2,700)	Rs. 6,000 p. sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667)	Rs. 14,500 p. sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co.—	
(A) share (Rs. 6,000)	3600
(B) share (Rs. 6,000)	Rs. 1,35,000 pm
Frere Press Co. (Rs. 250)	95 pm.
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,300)	10 prem.
Great Indian Peninsular Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 218-3-4)	Rs. 5 prem.
Ditto, New £20 Shares (Rs. 87-4-4)	par.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 600 prem.
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company (Rs. 1,100)	Rs. 100 prem.
Manockjee Pitty's Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 850)	Rs. 25 prem.
House and Land Investment Co. (Rs. 200)	Rs. 400
Bombay Shipping Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 3,000
Iron Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 700 dis.
Oriental Ship Owning Association (Rs. 250)	Rs. 25 pm.
Prince of Wales Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 300 dis.
Western India Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 250
Hydraulic Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 3,200 p. sh.
Coorla Spinning Co. (Rs. 6,000)	Rs. 500 prem.
Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 500 prem.
Colaba Land Co. (Rs. 10,000)	Rs. 90,000 pr. sh.
Bonded Warehouse Co. (Rs. 400)	Rs. par
Back Bay Reclamation Co., Rs. 5,000 paid-up	39,000 pm.
Oriental Weaving and Spinning Company (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 150 prem.
Royal Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 100 prem.
Victoria Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 1,000 prem.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Four per Cent. Sicea Rs. Trans. Loan	Rs. 93
" " Sicea Rs. Loan 1832-38	" 95
" " Co.'s Rs. Loan 1835-36	" 91½
" " " 1842-43	" 91½
" " " 1854-55	" 103
Five per Cent. Co.'s Rs. Loan	" 103
Five-and-a-half per Cent.	" 109

PRICE OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns	each, Rs. 10-3
Bank of England Notes	" 10
Spanish Dollars	" 210
Carolin Dollars	" 290
Mexican Dollars	" 225
Five Franc Pieces, Rs. 233 tolas	" 208
German Crowns	" 214½
Bar Silver, 17 and 17½ dwt. better, per 100 tolas	" 106-10
Sycee Silver	" 105
Gold Leaf 99½ touch	" 16-13
Gold Bars, English	" 16-10
Ditto, Pekin	" 16-8

FREIGHTS.

To London—Cotton, £2. 10s.; Seeds, £1. 10s. to £1. 12s. 6d.	
To Liverpool—Cotton, £1. 10s. 0d. to £2. 15s. 0d.; Seeds, £1. 7s. 6d. to £1. 10s. 0d.	



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Fort William, Feb. 20.—No. 183.—The following order issued by the Govt. of Fort St. George is confirmed:—

Jan. 27.—No. 41.—Granting leave of abs. to the Cape of Good Hope, on m.c., to Major F. Angelo, of the Bengal invalid estab., for 2 years, under the old regs.

No. 184.—With reference to the notifications from the foreign dept.—No. 70, dated 16th inst., and No. 362, dated 13th inst.—the services of the undermen. officers are placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C., those of Asst. surg. Cheke from the 1st prox.:—Lieut. S. C. Mactier, late 15th N.I., offic. adjt. of the Malwa Bheel Corps.

Asst. surg. G. N. Cheke, in med. charge of the Nepal residency.

No. 185.—Capt. C. Baily, late 17th N.I., is allowed an ext. of leave from Jan. 22 to Feb. 10, the date on which he returned to Bengal from sick leave to the Australian colonies.

No. 187.—The underment. officers have reported their return from England:—

Capt. A. A. Bruce, of the Bengal staff corps; Capt. F. B. Foote, of the Bengal staff corps; Lieut. J. H. Maling, of the gen. list, inf.; Lieut. R. S. Green, of the gen. list, inf.; and Surg. A. J. Payne, M.D. and B.A., of the med. dept., supt. of the Eur. and Native Insane Asylums at Bhowanepore and Dullunda, date of arrival at Fort William, Feb. 12.

Feb. 21.—No. 188.—The following milly. letter from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, No. 414 of Dec. 31, 1864, is published for general information:—

Military.—No. 414.

India Office, London, Dec. 31, 1864.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

Sir,—I have to inform you that her Majesty has been pleased to approve of the appointment of Lieut. col. and brevet col. T. Williams, C.B., 4th foot, to the staff of the army in the East Indies as a major gen., v. Major gen. Lord G. A. F. Paget, C.B., who is to be placed on the staff of the army in Great Britain from April 1.

No. 191.—Brev. maj. M. C. Sankey, of the R.A., brig. maj. to the inspec. of Art., S. division, Bengal presy., is app. to act as brig. maj. to the right brig. Doogar field force.

No. 192.—The undermentioned commissioned officer is permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on m.c.:—

Asst. surg. G. C. Chesnave, med. dept., 2nd asst. surg., Allahabad General Hospital, for 20 mo., new regs.

Feb. 22.—No. 193.—The undermentioned officer has reported his return from England:—

Maj. W. Paske, of the Bengal staff corps, date of arrival at Fort William, Feb. 12, 1865.

No. 194.—Capt. C. Kelvey, of No. 5 company Calcutta Volunteer Rifle Corps, is allowed leave of absence to Eur. for 1 year from the 23rd inst.

Feb. 23.—No. 195.—The undermentioned officer of the R.E., who has been placed under orders for duty in the Bengal presy., reported his arrival on the date specified below:—

Lieut. G. C. B. Simmons, date of arrival of Fort William, Feb. 18, 1865.

Feb. 24.—No. 197.—Capt. H. B. Lockwood, late 4th Eur. L.C., attached to the stud dept., officiated as A.D.C. on the personal staff of H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. of India from Jan. 15 to 17th inst., during the absence from the Presidency on special duty of Lieut. col. S. Blane, A.D.C.

No. 198.—The services of Ensign R. G. Kennedy, H.M.'s 55th foot, A.D.C. on personal staff of H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen., are placed temporarily at disposal of H.E. the C. in C. for field service with his regiment, ordered to join the Doogar field force, with effect from date of arrival at the Presidency of the head qrs. of the regiment.

No. 199.—H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. of India has been pleased to appoint Capt. H. B. Lock-

wood, of late 4th Eur. L.C., attached to stud dept., to offic. as A.D.C. on his Excellency's personal staff during temp. absence of Ensign R. G. Kennedy.

No. 200.—Major N. E. Boileau, Bengal staff corps, dep. judge adv. gen., Peshawur div., has leave, in ext., to Jan. 11, the date on which he returned to Bengal from furlough to Europe.

No. 201.—The undermentioned officers have reported their return from England:—

Lieut. (brev. capt.) H. R. B. Worsley, of the late 47th N.I., qrmr. 7th N.I., and Lieut. W. G. Maitland, of the late 39th N.I.; date of arrival at Fort William, Feb. 18.

Capt. H. R. Osborn, Bengal staff corps, 2nd squadron officer, 5th Bengal cav., and Lieut. J. B. Brander, of the late 37th N.I.; date of arrival at Fort William, Feb. 26.

No. 202.—The undermentioned officer, having completed 20 years' service, 6 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major, from the date specified opposite to his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. W. C. R. Mylne, Feb. 20, 1865.

No. 203.—The undermentioned officer, having completed 12 years' service, 4 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt., from the date specified opposite to his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Lieut. (brev. capt.) R. M. Sewell, Feb. 19, 1865.

Feb. 21.—No. 1,756.—The Hon. E. P. Levinge, Puisne Judge of the High Court, has leave for 2 mo., with effect from 22nd inst.

Feb. 23.—No. 1,759.—A. G. Macpherson, Esq., barrister at law, to offic. as a judge of the High Court of Judicature at Fort William, in Bengal.

No. 1,760.—Mr. J. B. Worgan, of the C.S., is permitted to proceed to Eur. on furl. for 1 year from date of embarkation.

No. 1,761.—The undermentioned gentlemen, appointed by the Sec. of State for India, members of H.M.'s C.S. on the Bengal establishment, have reported their arrival at Calcutta, per steam-ship Candia, which arrived on Nov. 12:—

Messrs. F. P. Beachcroft, H. W. Gordon, and A. Manson.

Notification No. 5,518, dated Nov. 8, 1864, is cancelled.

No. 1,765.—Mr. G. Law, hon. asst. surg., is transf. temy. from the Nagpore to the Bhundara dist. to assume med. charge of that station, pending Dr. Reid's arrival.

Mr. Law assumed charge of the civil med. duties on the afternoon of Jan. 28, 1865.

No. 1,766.—Lieut. M. M. Bowie, asst. comr. Sumbulpore, in the Central Provs., offic. as dist. supt. of police of that dist., from Oct. 24 to Nov. 15 inclusive.

No. 1,767.—Mr. J. Halliday is app. an hon. mag. for the town and dist. of Rangoon in the room of Mr. J. C. Todd, dec.

Mr. J. Halliday is also invested with the powers of a mag. under sec. 22 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

No. 1,768.—Mr. A. Thomas, in med. charge of Kyouk Phyo, British Burmah, has 6 mo. leave on m.c., with effect from Dec. 12.

No. 1,769.—Mr. C. E. Pyster, in med. charge of Sandoway, British Burmah, has leave on m.c. for 3 mo., with effect from Dec. 24.

No. 1,770.—Maj. J. F. J. Stevenson, dep. comr. of Bassein, held charge of the office of supt. of police at that station from May 2 to June 8.

No. 1,771.—The underment. officer in British Burmah is invested with the powers of a subord. mag. of the 2nd class within the dist. of Moulemin, in British Burmah:—

Mr. M. Slyn, asst. conservator of forests, in charge of the Kuddeo timber revenue station.

No. 1,778.—Capt. M. Lloyd, dep. comr., made over charge of the office of supt. of police in the dist. of Toungoo, British Burmah, to Lieut. M. C. Poole, asst. supt. of police, on Jan. 26.

No. 1,774.—Mr. G. Belcham, 3rd class sub.asst., Great Trigonometrical Survey, is prom. to 2nd class, with effect from Dec. 1 last.

No. 1,775.—One mo. prep. leave has been granted to Capt. T. G. Montgomerie, R.E., Astronomical asst., Great Trigonometrical Survey, with effect from the date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 1,776.—Mr. E. Foy, asst. revenue surveyor, 3rd class, is transf. from the N.W. Frontier to the 4th div. Central Provs.

COURTS IN BRITISH BURMAH.

Feb. 22.—No. 91.—Under the provisions of sec. 7 of Act XXIII, 1863, H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to constitute the following Courts in British Burmah for the investigation and trial of claims under the above Act:—

Pegu Division.

Rangoon.

Three or more of the following gentlemen:—
Dep. comsnr., mag., Mr. G. Bulloch, and Mr. J. Halliday, hon. mag., superint. of police, civil surg., Oo Oung Bo (a trader).

Bassein.

Three or more of the following gentlemen:—
Dep. comsnr., asst. comsnr., superint. of police, medical officer of Bassein, and Moun Byke (an elder).

Prome.

Three or more of the following gentlemen:—
Dep. comsnr., asst. comsnr., superint. of police, medical officer of Prome, and Oo tha Myo (an elder).

Myanoung.

Three or more of the following gentlemen:—
Dep. comsnr., asst. superint. of police, extra asst. comsnr., medical officer of Myanoung, and Oo Tseet (an elder).

Toungthoo.

Three or more of the following gentlemen:—
Dep. comsnr., asst. comsnr., asst. superint. of police, extra asst. comsnr., and Oo Bouk (an elder).

Tenasserim Division.

Amherst.

Three or more of the following gentlemen:—
Dep. comsnr., mag. of Moulmein, Mr. G. Buchanan, and Mr. R. Hannay, hon. mag., superint. of police, civil surg., and Oo Oung Bo (a trader).

Martaban.

Three or more of the following gentlemen:—
Dep. comsnr., asst. comsnr., superint. of police, medical officer of Shwe-yeen, and Oo Yai (an elder).

Tavoy.

Three or more of the following gentlemen:—
Dep. comsnr., superint. of police, medical officer of Tavoy, extra asst. comsnr., and Maung Shwe Att (an elder).

Mergui.

Three or more of the following gentlemen:—
Dep. comsnr., asst. superint. of police, extra asst. comsnr., medical officer of Mergui, and Moun Kulla (an elder).

Arracan Division.

Akyab.

Dep. comsnr., magistrate, Mr. J. Bulloch, Retired Surg. major J. W. Mountjoy, honorary magistrates, medical officer of Akyab, superint. of police, and Nyochla Phroo (a trader).

Ramree.

Three or more of the following gentlemen:—
Dep. comsnr., asst. superint. of police, extra asst. comsnr., medical officer of Kyook Phyo, and Moun Boo (an elder).

Sandoway.

Three or more of the following gentlemen:—
Dep. comsnr., asst. superint. of police, extra asst. comsnr., medical officer of Sandoway, and Nga Get Kay (an elder).

Feb. 22.—No. 77.—Dr. L. F. Dickson is app. to med. charge of the Meywar Bheel corps, in the room of Asst. surg. F. H. O'Donel.

Feb. 21.—No. 153.—Mr. Robert Bain is recognised as Consular Agent for the United States at Penang.

No. 411.—Col. J. G. Balmain, comsnr. of the Chutteesgurrh div., Central Provinces, has 37 days' prep. leave, on m.c., with a view to obtaining leave on m.c. to England.

The following arrangements are made in consequence:—

Capt. W. Nembhard, dep. comsnr., Jubulpore, to offic. as comsnr. of the Chutteesgurrh div.
Mr. C. Grant, settlement officer of Nursingpore, to offic. as dep. comsnr. of Jubulpore.

Mr. A. M. Russell, asst. settlement officer, Dumoh, to take charge of the Nursingpore Settlements, in add. to his other duties.

No. 413.—Mr. W. Ramsay, settlement officer of Chinawarra, in the Central Provs., has 6 mo. leave, from the date on which he may avail himself of it.

Feb. 22.—No. 423.—Lieut. J. H. Plowden, offic. dep. comsnr., Wurda, in the Central Provs., has obtained 30 days' prep. leave, from Feb. 16, or such date as he may avail himself of it, with a view to leave on m.c. to England.

No. 425.—Lieut. col. D. Brown, dep. comsnr., 2nd grade, British Burmah, made over charge of his

office and treasury of Amherst to Mr. G. E. Barr, offic. asst. comsnr., 3rd grade, on Jan. 23.

Lieut. W. C. Plant, asst. comsnr., 2nd grade, made over charge of Prome dist. treasury, at Thayetmyo, to Lieut. H. R. Spearman, asst. comsnr., 3rd grade, on Jan. 12.

No. 426.—Capt. W. P. Harrison, dep. comsnr., offic. 3rd grade, British Burmah, received charge of the Martaban dist. and treasury, from Mr. W. De C. Ireland, asst. comsnr., 3rd grade, on the forenoon of Jan. 16.

No. 432.—Lieut. W. E. Forbes, asst. settlement officer, in Oude, has leave for 28 days, from 10th inst., or from such date as he may avail himself of it, prep. to Europe on m.c.

No. 431.—The services of Mr. C. M. Rivaz, C.S., are placed at disposal of the Punjab Govt.

No. 441.—Capt. C. T. O. Mayne, asst. comsnr., S.W. Berar, returned to his duty on the forenoon of Jan. 13, from the leave granted him in G.O. No. 187, dated 25th ult.

Feb. 20.—No. 54.—Capt. B. J. C. Prior, S.C., offic. controller and examiner, public works accounts, Central Provs., availed himself, on the 3rd inst. of the 2 mo. priv. leave granted him in notification No. 12 of Jan. 16 last.

Feb. 21.—No. 55.—Capt. W. D. Chapman, m.s.c., exec. engr. 4th class, Central Provinces, is granted prep. leave for 1 mo., with effect from Aug. 1 last.

No. 56.—Lieut. Pole, R.E., is app. an asst. engr. 2nd class, dept. public works, and posted to Mysore.

Feb. 22.—No. 57.—Mr. F. R. Boyce, asst. to the chief engineer, and asst. secy. to Government of Bengal, public works dept., is app. to offic. as controller 2nd class, public works accounts, Bengal, in addition to his own duties, during absence on special duty of Capt. Trevor.

Feb. 23.—No. 59.—Mr. A. D. Campbell, asst. engr. 1st class, N.W.P., passed the examination in Hindostanee contemplated in G.O.G.G. of Jan. 9, 1837, and May 31, 1844, on Jan. 9, 1865.

No. 60.—In notification No. 4 of Jan. 4, 1865, Sergeant H. B. Jackson should have been designated a supervisor, 1st grade.

No. 61.—Capt. H. Z. Darrah, exec. engr., 4th class, assumed charge of the Toungthoo div. of public works, British Burmah, on Jan. 2, 1865.

No. 62.—Mr. C. B. Leupolt, prob. asst. engr., Punjab, passed the colloquial exam. in Hindostanee on Jan. 24, 1865.

No. 63.—Notification No. 273 of Oct. 8 last, appg. Mr. R. N. Coxen to the public works dept., Bengal, as an asst. engr., 1st class, is cancelled.

No. 64.—Appointments:—
Lieut. col. W. Maxwell, R.A., superint. engr., 1st class, Bengal, to be chief engr. and sec. to the chief comsnr., Central Provinces, with the rank of chief engr., 2nd class.

Lieut. col. J. E. T. Nicolls, R.E., superint. engr., 1st class, N.W.P., and offic. chief engr., and sec. to the chief comsnr., Oude, to offic. as chief engr., 1st class, and sec. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Lieut. col. C. W. Hutchinson, R.E., superint. engr., 1st class, Punjab, to offic. as chief engr., 2nd class, and sec. to chief comsnr. of Oude.

Lieut. col. C. J. Hodgson, R.E., consulting engr. for railways in Oude and Rohilkhand (which appt. is now abolished), to be a superint. engr., 1st class, v. Lieut. col. W. Maxwell. Lieut. col. Hodgson will continue to offic. as chief engr., 1st class, and sec. to Govt. N.W.P.

Capt. C. T. Stewart, R.E., exec. engr., 1st class, N.W.P., to offic. as superint. engr. in the N.W.P.

Lieut. col. J. D. Campbell, superint. engr., 1st class, is transf. from the N.W.P. to the Punjab.

Feb. 24.—No. 65.—Mr. H. Hutton, overseer, 2nd grade, is transf. from the Light House Circle to British Burmah, and posted to the Rangoon div., with effect from Feb. 13.

Feb. 27.—No. 1,831.—Lieut. B. H. Davidson, of the 3rd batt. of H.M.'s 60th rifles, is appointed to offic. as asst. superint. of police in British Burmah, v. Capt. Fryer, transf. to the commission.

Lieut. Davidson joined his appointment on Feb. 3.

No. 1,974.—Rev. A. Robinson, junior chaplain on the Bengal establishment, returned to India, arriving at Bombay on the 11th inst. His services are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the N.W.P.

Feb. 28.—No. 1,975.—Notification No. 1,512, dated the 17th inst., attaching Mr. W. H. Thompson, of the C.S., to the Bengal div. of the presidency of Fort William, is cancelled.

No. 1,976.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the undermentioned extra asst. coms. in the Central Provinces with the powers of a mag. described in Chapter II., Section 22, of Act XXV. of 1861:—

Mr. A. Collis, extra asst. coms., Doonagoodium, Sironcha dist.

March 1.—No. 1,978.—Dr. J. C. Corbyn, appd. insp. of prisons in Oude by G.O. No. 4, dated Jan. 4, received charge of his office from Dr. H. M. Cannon on the forenoon of Feb. 16.

Dr. H. M. Cannon, civil surg. of Lucknow, officd. as insp. of prisons in Oude, in addition to his regular duties, from Jan. 2 to Feb. 16.

March 2.—No. 1,980.—Mr. W. J. Allen resigned the C.S. from the 9th inst.

No. 1,981.—Mr. T. C. Trotter resigned the C.S. from the 6th inst.

No. 1,982.—Mr. W. Oldham, of the C.S., is permitted to proceed to Eur. on furl. for a period of 1 year from the date of embarkation.

No. 1,983.—Mr. W. Stokes received charge of the office of asst. sec. to the Govt. of India, in the home dept. (legislative), on 24th ult., from Mr. A. G. Macpherson, for whom he will continue to offic.

March 3.—No. 1,984.—The Hon. Sir B. Peacock, Kt., returned to the presy. on the 13th ult., and resumed his seat as chief justice of the High Court of Calcutta on the following day.

No. 1,985.—The Hon. A. G. Macpherson took his seat as offic. puisne judge of the High Court on the afternoon of the 24th ult.

No. 1,986.—Mr. P. S. Melville, n.c.s., has reported his departure from India per ss. *Carnatic*, which vessel was left by the pilot at sea on the 14th ult.

No. 1,987.—The undermen. officer of the Central Provinces police has passed the examination prescribed for jun. police officers:—

Lieut. T. E. Vandergucht, offic. dist. superint. of police.

No. 1,988.—Major F. L. Magniac, judge of the Small Cause Court at Nagpore, in the Central Provinces, has obt'd. 1 mo. prep. leave from Feb. 25 last, or such date as he may avail himself of the same, to proc. to Bombay, for the purpose of appearing before a med. board, with a view to obtg. leave on m.c. to England.

No. 1,990.—Mr. E. Richardson, extra asst. comsnr. 1st grade, British Burmah, is invested with powers of a subord. mag. 2nd class.

No. 1,991.—The services of Mr. J. M. Scott, B.A., civil engineer, who is employed in the electric telegraph dept., are placed at disposal of Govt. of Bengal.

No. 1,992.—The undermentioned promotions in the great trigonometrical survey are sanctioned, with effect from Jan. 1 last:—

Messrs. M. C. Hickie and A. D'Souza, from sen. sub asst. to the junior grade of civil 2nd asst.

No. 1,993.—ERRATA.—In notification No. 826, dated Jan. 25 last, for Mr. G. E. Burr read Mr. G. E. Barr.

In notification No. 831, dated Jan. 26 last, for Mr. W. H. Patterson, read Mr. W. H. Pattison.

No. 1,996.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to re-attach to the N.W. Provinces, the Punjab, and Oude, Mr. F. S. Wigram, of the civil service, who returned from furlough on 2nd inst.

Feb. 28.—No. 459.—Major C. Baldwin, deputy coms. of Nursingpore, in the Central Provinces, has leave for two mo., from March 1, 1865, or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

No. 461.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to sanction the follg. proms. in British Burmah:—

Mr. G. E. Barr, extra asst. coms., 1st grade, and offic. asst. coms., 3rd grade, to be asst. coms., 3rd grade, from Jan. 3, 1865.

Mr. F. Motley, extra asst. coms., 1st grade, on Rs. 350 a month, to be extra asst. coms., 1st grade, Rs. 400 a month, from the above date.

Mr. E. Richardson, to be extra asst. coms., 1st grade, on Rs. 350 a month, from the date he enters on the duties of his office.

No. 463.—Mr. J. Treacy is app. to be senior revenue settlement officer and superny. asst. coms., 2nd grade, in British Burmah, with effect from Jan. 31, 1865.

No. 466.—With reference to G.O. No. 180, dated 24th ult., asst. surg. S. T. Heard assumed medical charge of the Nuggur div., in Mysore, from Surgeon Oswald, on Jan. 13, 1865.

March 1.—No. 474.—Mr. H. Gibson, asst. coms. in Oude, is transf. tempy. to the settlement dept. of that province, to offic. for Lieut. W. E. Forbes, on leave.

No. 476.—Major B. T. Reid is app. to be 1st class deputy coms. of Darjeeling, in succession to Mr. Wake.

March 2.—No. 487.—With reference to G.O. No. 142, dated Jan. 19 last, Surg. A. A. Renton, m.d., assumed the duties of darbar surgeon at Mysore on Feb. 3.

No. 490.—Capt. J. T. Bushby, asst. comsr., West Berar, has leave for 3 mos. from 1st inst., or from the date on which he may avail himself of it.

No. 492.—The services of the underment. officers are placed at the disposal of the chief comr. of Oude for employment in that province:—

Messrs. E. B. Thornhill, C.S.; J. Woodburn, C.S.; J. M. C. Steinbelt, C.S.; C. W. McMinn, C.S.; J. C. Williams, C.S.; and A. F. Millett, C.S.

No. 495.—The leave granted to Maj. W. G. Cumming, Bheel agent and political asst., Sirdarpore, in G.O. No. 1,275, dated Nov. 17, 1864, is extended to March 31.

No. 497.—Mr. H. W. Beddy, depy. comsr. of Sandoway, British Burmah, made over charge of his office to Lieut. W. C. Plant on Jan. 26.

March 3.—No. 500.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to grant Mr. E. H. Harrison, asst. comr. of Goordaspore, leave of absence on m.c. for 12 mo., to Eur., from such date as he may avail himself of it.

No. 507.—The Gov. gen. in Council having been pleased to permit Asst. surg. G. N. Cheke to continue in medical charge of the Nepal residency, previous notifications are cane.

No. 510.—Lieut. W. E. Forbes, asst. settlement officer in Oude, has obtained leave of absence on m.c. for 1 year, to proceed to the hills north of Deyrah or to the Neilgherries.

Feb. 27.—No. 1,083.—Mr. J. L. Lushington to be dep. auditor and accountant gen., Bombay, in succession to Mr. S. D. Birch, from 28th inst., or from date of Mr. Birch's retirement.

March 3.—No. 1,189.—Mr. W. W. Crawford, chief asst. in the office establishment of the deputy auditor and accountant gen., N.W.P., has leave for 1 mo. from 1st inst., making over charge of his duties to 2nd asst., Mr. Anthony.

Feb. 28.—No. 5.—Lieut. G. C. Sartorius, of the Bombay art., to off. as an asst. conservator of forests in the Central Provinces, with effect from date of joining.

No. 66.—Capt. F. G. S. Parker, asst. engr., 1st class, and Capt. W. H. Mackesy, asst. engr., 2nd class, aretransf. from N.W.P. and the Punjab, respectively, to Hyderabad.

March 1.—No. 67.—Mr. J. T. Robinson, accountant, 1st grade, is transf. from Bengal to the accountant gen.'s office, pub. works dept., as a tempy. arrangement, with effect from Jan. 6.

No. 68.—Mr. T. Davis, accountant, 3rd grade, Oude, is granted 2 mo. leave from Feb. 1.

No. 70.—Mr. C. Phipps, accountant, 4th grade, pub. works dept., British Burmah, is prom. to accountant, 3rd grade, and posted to Port Blair.

Mr. Bernard Gantzer is app. an accountant, 4th grade, and posted to British Burmah.

These changes have effect from Feb. 1.

No. 71.—Capt. R. C. B. Pemberton, R.E., exec. engr., 2nd class, Oude, and Lieut. C. H. Luard, R.E., asst. principal, Thomason College, to be asst. secs. to the Govt. of India in the public works dept.

Capt. W. Jeffreys, R.E., will continue to be attached to the public works secretariat until completion of the special duty on which Capt. Pemberton is at present employed.

No. 72.—Lieut. col. W. Maxwell, R.A., apptd. chief engr. and secy. to chief comr., Central Provinces, was relieved of his duties as suptdg. engr., Behar circle, by Capt. C. J. Mead, exec. engr., 2nd div. Grand Trunk road, on Feb. 14.

Capt. Mead will officiate as suptdg. engr. of the Behar circle.

No. 73.—Capt. C. D. Newmarch, R.E., chief engr. and secy. to chief comr., British Burmah, is granted prep. leave from Jan. 15 to March 9.

March 3.—No. 75.—Conductor J. Finn, overseer, 1st grade, is transf. from Mysore to the Straits Settlement, and Sub conductor E. Scully, overseer, 1st grade, from Straits Settlement to Mysore.

No. 76.—In continuation of notification No. 343 of Dec. 5 last, Mr. W. D. Brockman, exec. engr., 4th grade, assumed charge of the 1st Oude road div. on the afternoon of Dec. 24.

Feb. 25.—No. 204.—The services of Asst. surg. T. P. Wright, in med. charge of the 38th (the Agra) regt. N.I., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

Feb. 27.—No. 205.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Eur. on m.c.:—

Maj. J. Tickell, of the Bengal staff corps, for 20 mo.

No. 206.—Capt. W. R. Tucker, of the R.E. (now employed in the department of public works), an ext. of leave from Dec. 10 to Dec. 21, the date on which he reported his return to Bengal from sick leave to Eur.

Feb. 28.—No. 207.—The undermentioned officers

are admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India:—

Lieut. (brev. capt.) J. P. Turton, of the late 26th regt. N.I., wing officer, 4th Ghorkha regt., Feb. 19, 1861.

Lieut. H. G. Waterfield, of the late 34th regt. N.I., adjt., 8th regt. N.I.

Lieut. C. J. Walter, of the gen. list, inf., doing duty officer, 8th regt. N.I., Sept. 9, 1861.

No. 208.—The undermentioned officer having completed 12 years' service, 4 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt. from the date specified opposite to his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.

Lieut. (brev. capt.) J. P. Turton, Feb. 19.

No. 209.—With reference to Govt. G.O. No. 165 of March 2, 1863, the name of the underment. officer who retired from the service under the annuity scheme of 1861 is removed from the list of the regimental lieut. cols. of inf.:—

Lieut. col. (maj. gen., ret. list) R. Houghton, by death of Col. (lieut. gen.) M. C. Paul, Bengal inf.

No. 240.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appts.:—

PUNJAL IRREGULAR FORCE.

Corps of Guides.

Lieut. A. J. Nicholson, offic. doing duty officer, to be doing duty officer, v. Lieut. W. A. Lawrence, apptd. to another situation.

Lieut. A. H. Davis, of the gen. list, Bombay inf., to offic. as doing duty officer until further orders.

No. 211.—The services of Lieut. F. P. Spragge, of the R.E., are placed at the disposal of the public works dept.

No. 212.—The underment. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence, m.c.:—

Lieut. col. G. Jackson, of the Bengal staff corps, comdt, 2nd Bengal cav., for 20 mo.

No. 213.—The following promotions by brev. are made under the operation of G.G.O. No. 632 of Aug. 4, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

BREVET.

To be Lieut. Colonels.

Cadre of late 26th N.I.—Maj. F. W. Baugh, from Jan. 13, 1865.

Cadre of late 38th N.I.—Maj. H. R. Shelton, from Jan. 13, 1865.

Cadre of late 45th N.I.—Maj. A. S. O. Donaldson, from Jan. 24, 1865.

Cadre of late 47th N.I.—Maj. W. C. Watson, from Feb. 24, 1865.

To be Majors.

Cadre of late 2nd E.B. Fusiliers—Capt. W. C. Hamilton, from Jan. 5, 1865.

Staff Corps.—Capt. J. M. Mackenzie, from Jan. 18, 1865.

Cadre of the late 39th N.I.—Capt. G. Cavenagh, from Jan. 18, 1865.

Cadre of late 4th N.I.—Capt. R. Stothert, from Jan. 18, 1865.

Cadre of late 24th N.I.—Capt. R. C. Lindsey, from Feb. 11, 1865.

Cadre of late 5th Eur. L.C.—Capt. R. Jenkins, Feb. 20, 1865.

To be Captains.

Staff Corps.—Lieut. W. H. J. Lance (capt. in the staff corps), from Sept. 18, 1861.

Cadre of late 52nd N.I.—Lieut. A. Cockburn, from Jan. 20, 1865.

Cadre of late 5th Eur. Regt.—Lieut. L. B. J. Davies, from Feb. 13, 1865.

No. 214.—The underment. surg. of the Bengal med. dept., is prom. to the rank of surg. major, under the provisions of G.G.O. No. 507 of June 20, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Surg. F. Turnbull, M.D., from Feb. 11.

Mar. 1.—No. 215.—The underment. officer has reported his return from England:—

Lieut. M. P. Moriarty, of the late 41st regt. N.I., adjt., 3rd inf., Hyderabad contingent; date of arrival at Bombay, Feb. 17.

No. 216.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appt.:—

Punjab Irregular Force.—5th Inf.—Lieut. C. McK. Hall, of the gen. list, inf., to be qmrr., to fill an existing vacancy.

No. 218.—The underment. officers are permitted to proceed to Europe on leave of abs. on m.c.

Lieut. O. Barnes, of the Bombay staff corps, 2nd squadron officer, 10th Bengal cav., for 20 mo.

Asst. surg. T. E. Charles, M.D., of the med. dept., prof. of midwifery, Medical College Hospital, for 20 mo., under the new rega.

No. 219.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl.:—

Lieut. W. Hampton, of the invalid estab., for 3 years, under the old regs.

UNATTACHED OFFICERS.

No. 223.—With the sanction of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to notify that officers of the unattached list will, in special cases, be allowed exemption from the strict operation of the rule under which no officer can hold a staff appointment who has not passed the prescribed examination in the native languages.

In every case in which it is proposed to appoint an unattached officer to a staff situation, the previous sanction of Government is to be obtained, and it should be satisfactorily shown that the officer whom it is proposed to exempt from the application of the rule is specially fitted for the situation which it is desired to confer upon him.

It will also be required, in every case, that the officer shall have passed the colloquial examination.

Mar. 3.—No. 226.—The underment. officers are perm. to proc. to Eur. on leave, on m.c.:—

Capt. (brevet major) M. J. Brander, of the late 40th regt. N.I., dep. asst. comy. gen., for 20 mo., under the new regs.

Capt. T. G. Montgomerie, of the R.E., astronomical asst., Great Trigonometrical Survey of India, for 20 mo., under the new regs.

No. 227.—The underment. officers, having completed 20 years' serv., six years of which were on perm. staff employ, to be majors, from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. (brevet major) H. T. Macpherson, v.c., Feb. 28.

Capt. (brevet major) E. H. Langmore, March 1.

Capt. E. B. Clay, March 2.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR, N.W.P.

Feb. 6.—No. 97a.—Capt. W. Carnell, offic. comdt. of the Ajmere and Bhairwarrah Police Corps, is invested with the powers of a mag. for the investigation and punishment of offences committed by the men under his command.

Jan. 31.—No. 292a.—Hony. Asst. surg. L. A. Sakes, at present house surg. midwifery wards of the Medical College Hospital at Calcutta, whose serv. have been placed at the disp. of this Govt., is apptd. to offic. as civil asst. surg. of Oraie.

No. 301a.—39 days' prep. leave, under the orders of the Govt. of India, dated Oct. 7, 1862, to enable him to proc. to the port of embark., previous to applying for leave to Eur., is granted to Maj. E. Smyth, insp. of schools, Kumaon and Gurhwal, with effect from March 1 next, or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

Feb. 3.—No. 330a.—Asst. surg. L. F. Dickson is placed in charge of the civil med. duties at Azimgurh, with effect from Oct. 28, 1864.

Asst. surg. Dickson is also placed in charge of the gaol at Azimgurh, and is invested with the powers of a magis., to be exercised within the precincts of the gaol under his charge.

No. 337a.—With the consent of the officer comdg. the station, asst. surg. T. Ringer, M.D., att. to the 44th regt. N.I., is app. to the charge of the civil med. duties at Banda.

No. 340a.—In modification of notification No. 3,346a, dated Oct. 24, the Peshkar of Roodurpore, in the Terai Pergunnahs, is app., instead of the Tehseeldar, to be dep. registrar under Act XVI. of 1864 of the Roodurpore sub district.

Feb. 6.—No. 365a.—Asst. surg. B. W. Switzer, F.R.C.S., is re-app. to the med. charge of the civil station of Shahjehanpore.

Allahabad, Jan. 28.—No. 352.—With reference to G.O. No. 80a, dated 6th inst., Mr. F. B. Pemberton, civil div. engr., joined the Agra div. on the 16th idem.

Jan. 30.—No. 375.—Lieut. J. H. Western, R.E., asst. engr., Eastern Jumna Canal, is invested with magisterial powers, under Act VII. of 1845, under the directions and on the responsibility of the several exec. engr. of the divs. to which he may be from time to time attached.

Feb. 2.—No. 468.—Mr. T. R. M. Ross, civil div. engr., Meerut revenue div., is prom. from 2nd to 1st grade, with effect from Nov. 1, 1864.

Feb. 3.—No. 522.—Mr. J. L. Parker, exec. engr., Futttehgurh branch, Ganges Canal, reported his return, on 16th ult., from 1 mo. priv. leave granted him by G.O. No. 2,857, dated Dec. 6 last.

No. 523.—Mr. W. T. Dodsforth, supervisor land measurements, Ganges Canal, reported his return,

on 21st ult., from 3 mo. priv. leave granted him by G.O. No. 4,554a, dated Oct. 7 last.

Feb. 7.—No. 103a.—Mr. G. S. Collet, customs patrol at Bah, in the district of Agra, is invested with the powers of a subord. mag. of the 2nd class, for the trial of offences other than breaches of the customs laws.

Feb. 8.—No. 171a.—Maj. Eckford, having returned from leave from England, and assumed charge of the office of dist. superint. of police in the Mirzapore dist. Jan. 2 last, is appd. a dist. superint. of police of the 1st grade, on a salary of £,000 Rs. per mensem from that date.

Feb. 7.—No. 386a.—Mr. C. Robertson is appd. to be under sec. to the Govt. of the N.W. Provs., with effect from the date of Mr. A. P. Howell's appt. as under sec. to the Govt. of India in the home and financial depts.

No. 387a.—Mr. W. Kaye is appd. a joint mag. and dep. col. of the 2nd grade, v. Mr. C. Robertson. **No. 390a.**—Asst. surg. C. O. Daniell, M.D., civil surg. of Jounpore, is placed in charge of the jail of that dist., and is invested with the powers of a mag., to be exercised within the precincts of the jail under his charge. This appt. will have effect from Nov. 3.

No. 393a.—Offic. civil asst. surg. G. B. Hadow, Boolundshuhur, is appd. to be civil asst. surg. of that station, with effect from the date on which the appt. was vacated by Civil asst. surg. D. Hood, M.D.

Feb. 8.—No. 176.—Rev. G. W. Ziemann, German missionary at Ghazepore, is licensed to grant certificates of marriage between native Christians.

Feb. 9.—No. 420a.—Mr. W. M. Tidy, asst. mag. and coll., who has reported his return from leave of absence on m.c. on the 28th ult., is posted to Allypuri.

No. 609.—Mr. C. V. McCarthy, sub engr., 3rd grade, att. to the Cawnpore div., public works, is perm. to resign his appt. in the public works dept.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR PUNJAB.

Feb. 7.—No. 94.—Surg. J. B. Scriven, principal Lahore Medical School, has obtained the usual leave of abs. to enable him to proceed to Bombay prep. to proceeding to Europe on m.c., with effect from the date of his availing himself thereof.

Feb. 7.—No. 345.—Mr. D. C. Macnab, dep. comsnr., is posted to the Peshawur dist., but will continue to offic. as dep. comsnr. of the Umritsur district.

No. 346.—The Supreme Govt. having been pleased to sanction, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, the appt. of a personal asst. to the comsnr. of Peshawur, on a salary of Rs. 700 per mensem, Mr. G. Knox, asst. comsnr., is appd. to that post, with effect from Jan. 17, the date of the sanction of H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council.

No. 347.—Capt. C. V. Jenkins, asst. comsnr. 2nd class, to be asst. comsnr. 1st class, v. Mr. Knox, transf. to another appt.

No. 348.—Mr. J. D. Tremlett, asst. comsnr. 3rd class, to be asst. comsnr. 2nd class, v. Capt. Jenkins, promoted.

Feb. 6.—No. 35.—The Dera Ismail Khan Station order, dated Jan. 14 last, by Col. G. W. G. Green, C.B., comdg. app. Capt. H. Tyndall, 2nd in com. and wing officer, 2nd Punjab inf., station staff officer, in the room of Lieut. Gustavinski, proc. on leave of abs., is confirmed.

Feb. 7.—No. 40.—Leave:—Lieut. A. FitzHugh, wing officer 4th Sikh inf., from Feb. 3 to April 3, to visit Bombay, prep. to submitting an application for furl. to Europe, on m.c.

Feb. 4.—No. 5,918.—Leave:—Lieut. G. Clerk, asst. engr., Rawulpindee div., is allowed one mo.'s leave from Feb. 4, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it, to proc. to Bombay, prep. to applying for furl. to England, on private affairs, for 6 mos.

No. 5,922.—Transfers:—Mr. A. Adams, probat. asst. engr., Bridges and Branch Roads, to 8th div. Grand Trunk Road.

No. 5,934.—Mr. J. A. Murray, asst. conservator, from the Chenab to the Beas Forests div.

Feb. 15.—No. 284.—Capt. C. A. McMahon, judge of small cause court, has been transferred from Umritsur to Delhi, with effect from Sept. 28 last, or the date on which he left the former station, but to continue to officiate as dep. coms. of Delhi.

Feb. 16.—No. 244.—Promotions:—Capt. J. C. Baillie, district supt. of police, from 2nd to 1st grade, v. Major S. G. Souter, deceased.

No. 245.—Lieut. M. Ramsay, dist. superint. of police, from the 3rd to the 2nd grade, v. Capt. Baillie, prom.

No. 246.—Mr. J. McAndrew, asst. dist. superint.,

to be dist. superint. of police, 3rd grade, v. Lieut. Ramsay, prom.

Feb. 16.—No. 46.—In modification of Punjab order, No. 348, dated Dec. 12, the following order is issued:—

The 5th Goorkha regtl. order, dated 12th ult., directing Lieut. J. Sym, qmr. to act as adjt. in room of Lieut. Oliphant, proceeded on furl.; and Lieut. A. P. Broome, doing duty officer, to act as qmr., in addition to his duties as doing duty officer, is confirmed.

Feb. 15.—No. 6,247.—Transfer.—Mr. J. Kennelly, clerk of the 12th grade, from the office of controller and examiner of public works accounts to the Jullundur div.

Feb. 16.—No. 6,286.—Appointment.—With reference to Punjab Govt. notification, No. 5,391, dated Jan. 19, Dr. C. T. Oldham's charge of the civil station of Madhopore will be in addition to his other duties.

Feb. 9.—No. 202.—Lieut. H. P. Kirke, asst. dist. superint. of police, Goojrat, has obt'd. leave for 6 mo., under the mil'y. rules, with effect from Jan. 20 last.

No. 359.—In modification of Punjab Gazette order No. 2,212, dated Nov. 16, 1864, it is hereby notified that Lieut. E. A. Raikes, asst. comsnr., offic. as dep. comsnr. of the Goojranwalla dist. from Aug. 16 to Oct. 10, 1864.

Feb. 14.—No. 228.—Capt. A. Tulloch, dist. superint. of police, Sealkote, has obt'd. leave from Feb. 18 to March 1, under the mil'y. rules.

Feb. 13.—No. 388.—Capt. J. B. Smyly, asst. comsnr., Kangra, has obt'd. leave for 1 mo., under the mil'y. rules, with effect from the date of his availing himself of the same, prep. to applying for m.c. to Eur.

Feb. 14.—No. 408.—Asst. surg. Lyons assumed charge on Dec. 15, 1864.

Feb. 11.—No. 41.—The Hotie Murdan station order, dated Jan. 4, issued by Col. S. J. Browne, C.B., v.c., comdg. corps of guides, appg. Lieut. A. J. Nicholson, offic. paid doing duty officer, to offic. as qmr. till further orders, v. Lieut. W. A. Lawrence, appd. adjt. of the body guard, is confirmed.

A circular memo. to all deputy commissioners in the Punjab, dated Lahore, Feb. 14, requests that it may be notified, for general information, that the mutiny medals of the 4th and 5th cav., and 1st regt. Oude foot police, are in course of distribution in the office of the dep. inspec. gen. of police, Oude, and that residents of the Punjab who are entitled to these medals should apply to Major Barrow, dep. inspec. gen. of police, Oude.

Transfers:—

Feb. 8.—Mr. J. P. Raow, clerk 4th grade, from office of superint. engr. 3rd circle, to office of superint. engr. 1st circle, temporarily.

Feb. 10.—No. 6,114.—Mr. T. Lett, clerk 11th grade, from office of controller and examiner of public works' accounts, to office of exec. engr., Hazara division.

Promotions:—

Mr. T. Lett, clerk 11th grade, office of exec. engr., Hazara division, to be clerk 10th grade.

Mr. J. Kenelly, clerk 13th grade, office of controller and examiner public works' accounts, to be clerk 12th grade.

Feb. 11.—Appointments:—

No. 6,151.—With reference to notification No. 29, dated Fort William, Jan. 31 last, Mr. W. Purdon, exec. engr. 1st class, bridges and branch roads division, is appointed to offic. as superint. engr. 3rd circle.

No. 6,153.—Mr. J. J. O'Rourke, attached to office of controller and examiner public works' accounts, is appointed an accountant 4th grade, on probation, with effect from Jan. 27 last.

No. 6,155.—The 1 mo. prep. leave granted to Lieut. M. G. Clark, asst. engr., Rawul Pindie div., in Punjab Govt. notification No. 5,918, of Feb. 4, is altered to 6 weeks leave on the same account.

Feb. 13.—No. 6,186.—Referring to Punjab notification No. 4,930, dated 3rd ult., Mr. S. H. Dupuis, asst. engr., received charge of the Hansi div., Western Jumna Canals, from Lieut. Swinton, on Jan. 25.

Feb. 22.—No. 265.—Transfer.—Lieut. R. J. Wimberley, dist. superint. of police, now on leave to Eur., from the Googaira to the Hissar dist.

No. 266.—Mr. J. McAndrew, dist. superint. of police, is posted permanently to the Googaira dist.

No. 267.—Mr. J. Herdon, asst. superint. of police, is app. to offic. as dist. superint. at Hissar, during the absence of Lieut. Wimberley.

Feb. 24.—No. 286.—Mr. D. Fitzpatrick, offic. judge of the Small Cause Court at Delhi, to revert to his substantive app. of asst. comsnr., Delhi, and to be employed on special duty.

No. 286.—Mr. H. E. Perkins, asst. comsnr., to offic. as judge of the Small Cause Court, Delhi, v. Mr. Fitzpatrick.

Feb. 22.—No. 458.—Mr. J. W. Smyth, personal asst. to the judicial comsnr., Punjab, having reported his return, on Feb. 11, from leave on m.c. to Eur., has obt'd. the usual leave to enable him to rejoin his app.

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Bombay Castle, Feb. 23.—No. 110.—The services of Lieut. H. W. C. Bulkeley, H.M.'s 106th foot, are placed at disposal of Govt. of N.W.P., for employment as offic. adjt. of the Ajmere and Mhairwarra police corps at Beawar.

Feb. 24.—No. 111.—Lieut. C. H. P. Ducat, H.M.'s 109th regt., is to proceed to Europe, via Egypt, on m.c., for 12 mo.

No. 112.—Capt. J. C. Wood, Bengal staff corps, has a furl. to Europe, for 20 mo., on m.c.

No. 113.—Maj. T. Thatcher, staff corps, superint. of police, Ahmednuggur, has a furl. to Europe, for 20 mo., on m.c.

Feb. 25.—No. 114.—Capt. W. Hicks, staff corps, is app. acting div. paymaster, v. Maj. Warden.

No. 115.—Ens. R. P. Simpson, H.M.'s 109th regt., supernumerary dep. coll. in Sind, has leave to Europe, on m.c., for 20 mo.

No. 116.—The undermentioned officer having completed 26 years' service, 8 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be lieut. col., from the date specified, under Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Major (brev. lieut. col.) E. C. Marston, Feb. 18, 1865.

Feb. 27.—No. 117.—Capt. J. L. Sheppard, staff corps, has a furl. to Europe, for 2 years, under new regs.

No. 118.—2nd Capt. T. N. Holberton, brig. maj. to the inspector of R.A., has leave to England, for 6 mo.

No. 119.—Capt. P. P. P. Fenwick, staff corps, has been app. asst. resident at Baroda.

Feb. 28.—No. 121.—The undermentioned officer having completed 12 years' service, 4 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be captain from date specified, under Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1864, subject to Her Majesty's approval:—

Lieut. (brevet capt.) W. H. Ross.

No. 124.—The following G.O. by the Govt. of India, dated Feb. 10, No. 155, is republished:—

"No. 155.—The undermentioned officer having completed 5 years' service as capt. and brev. lieut. col., and as major and brev. lieut. col., to be colonel in the army from date specified opposite his name, under operation of clause 8 of Royal Warrant of Jan. 31, 1859, published in G.O. No. 740, dated May 20, 1859, and of G.G. orders Nos. 11 of 1863, and 118 of 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

"Major and brev. lieut. col. H. Daly, C.B., Bombay staff corps, July 20, 1864."

No. 127.—The undersigned officer having completed 20 years' service, to be maj. by brev. from the date specified, under par. 69 of the despatch from the Sec. of State for India, No. 184, dated June 17, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Capt. James Turner Hill, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1865.

No. 128.—The undermentioned officer having completed 12 years' service, to be capt. by brev. from the date specified under par. 62 of the despatch from the Sec. of State for India, No. 194, dated June 17, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Lieut. Frederick Prescott Forteath, staff corps, Feb. 20, 1865.

Mar. 1.—Capt. L. C. Barton, pol. agent in the Rewa Kanta, has leave for 1 mo. on m.c. to presidency to obtain a final m.c. to Eur.

Capt. P. P. P. Fenwick assumed charge of the duties of asst. resident at Baroda Jan. 25, 1865.

Feb. 25.—Capt. E. C. Naylor, supt. of police, Surat, is invested with the powers of a mag. in the Surat dist.

Mar. 1.—Mr. J. Hope, supy. asst. col. and mag. of Kulludghue, is invested with the powers of a mag. in the Kulludghue dist.

The Hon. G. A. Hobart is app. act. sen. asst. judge and session judge at Broach during the abs. of Mr. Spens on leave.

Feb. 23.—Offic. appointments confirmed:—

Maj. W. R. Lambert, act. col. and mag. of Kurachee.

Maj. F. Phillips, act. col. and mag. of Hyderabad. Capt. L. D'A. Dunsterville, act. col. and mag. of Shikarpore.

Mr. E. H. Little, act. second asst. col. of Dharwar, acted as first asst. col. of Dharwar from Oct. 21 to Nov. 23, 1864, in addition to the performance of his own duties.

Mr. E. H. Little, second asst. col. of Belgaum, acted as first asst. col. of Belgaum from Dec. 5 to 24, 1864, in addition to the performance of his own duties.

Mr. S. Tyndall, dep. col. and mag. of the Shikarpoor collectorate has leave in extension for 1 mo. on m.c.

Feb. 28.—Mr. W. Boulton to be 3rd class dep. coll. and mag. of Shikarpoor, v. Lieut. G. C. Grant, prom.

March 1.—Mr. G. H. Wilson to be 3rd asst. coll. and mag. of Ahmednuggur.

Ens. R. P. Simpson, dep. coll. of Larkhana, has leave of abs. on m.c., from Nov. 10, 1864, to Jan. 14.

Mr. F. S. Chapman, acting sec. to Govt. in the revenue, financial, and gen. depts., assumed charge of his office on the 1st inst.

The appt. of Major W. C. Lester as educational insp., S. div., is can.

March 4.—No. 129.—The following officer having applied for admission to the staff corps under the provisions of para. 2 of G.O.G.I. No. 531, dated June 27, 1864, is appd. to the Bombay staff corps from the date specified opposite his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—
Lieut. C. F. Hughes, gen. list, doing duty officer 1st gren. regt. N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.

March 7.—No. 133.—Col. C. W. D. Staveley, c.b., of H.M.'s 44th regt., is appd. a brigadier of the 1st class on the estab., with the rank of brig. gen., v. Williams.

March 8.—No. 135.—Capt. W. Bannerman, cadre 8rd N.I., has furl. to Eur. for 3 years from March 14, old regs.

No. 136.—The following officer having applied for admission to the staff corps under provs. of para. 2 of G.O.G.I. No. 531, June 27, is appd. to the Bombay staff corps from the date specified opposite his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secy. of State for India:—Capt. G. F. Hayward, 17th regt. N.I., asst. political agent, Meywar, from Nov. 1, 1862.

No. 137.—The undermen. officer having completed 12 years' service, 4 of which were on perm. staff emp., to be capt. from the date specified, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—
Lieut. (brev. capt.) J. R. Strutt, Feb. 26.

ERRATUM.—The date of prom. to maj. of Capt. (brev. maj.) J. A. Wood, v.c., should be Feb. 12, 1865, and not 1855 as stated in G.O. No. 105 of Feb. 22.

Mr. J. Gibbs, C.S., has been appd. acting agent for Sirdars in the Deccan, v. the late Mr. C. Walter.

Capt. T. Leith, of the Bombay staff corps, has been appd. 2nd in com. of Kolhapoor inf., v. Maj. Sopitt, prom. Capt. Leith to continue to act as aide de camp to the Hon. the Governor, and Capt. G. Westropp, of the Bombay staff corps, to act for Capt. Leith as 2nd in com. of the Kolhapoor inf.

March 3.—Mr. J. Gibbs to be judge and session judge of Khandeish, and acting judge and session judge of Poona, v. the late Mr. C. Walter.

The appt. of Mr. F. Lloyd as judge and session judge of Dharwar to have effect from Oct. 30, 1864.

Capt. C. E. Naylor, superint. of police at Surat, to act as superint. of police at Ahmednuggur, v. Major Thatcher.

Capt. J. Harpur to act as superint. of police at Surat, v. Capt. Naylor.

March 6.—Mr. A. K. Nairne, asst. judge and sess. judge of Ahmedabad, returned to Bombay March 1 from leave, m.c., granted from April 29, 1863, and subsequently extended to Feb. 28, 1865.

Major C. W. Walker, superint. of police at Satara, has leave for 3 mo., from March 25.

Lieut. G. C. Grant has been confirmed in the appointment of judge and sess. judge of Shikarpoor, from date of Col. Goldsmid's employment under Government of India.

The Governor in Council is pleased to confirm the app. by the Chief Justice of Mr. W. A. East to be dep. registrar and sealer at the appellate side of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay.

Mr. W. H. Maber, supernu. asst. to coll. and mag. of Tanna, is invested with powers under sec. 38 of Code of Criminal Procedure in the Tanna district.

March 8.—Major T. Thatcher, superint. of police at Ahmednuggur, has prep. leave for 27 days, under sec. 39 of new furlough rules.

March 8.—Mr. A. F. Bellasis to be coll. of Bombay, special income tax comr., coll. of income tax for town and island of Bombay, and president of

income tax commission, and superint. of stamps and stationery.

March 4.—Mr. J. L. Lushington, dep. auditor and accountant gen., assumed charge of his office on 28th ult.

March 8.—Mr. J. L. Lushington, dep. auditor and accountant gen., to be a Government director of the Bank of Bombay.

Mr. F. S. Chapman, offic. chief secretary to Government in revenue, financial, and general departments, to act as Government director of Bank of Bombay.

Mr. F. S. Chapman, acting sec. to Govt. in the revenue, financial, and gen. depts., to offic. as chief sec. to Govt., and to be in charge of the separate dept., from the date of Mr. Ravenscroft's departure on furl. to England.

Mr. A. E. D. Grey to act as private sec. to H.E. the Gov., v. Mr. Arthur.

Mr. A. E. D. Grey, civil service, returned to Bombay on the 1st inst.

Capt. H. Hancock, R.E., to offic. as consulting engr. for Vehar Water Works, from Feb. 13, the date on which he assumed charge of the duties of that appt.

Mr. C. L. Yeats is appd. asst. sec. to Govt. in the public works dept. on the higher rate of salary sanctioned by the Govt. of India in their proceedings No. 653, dated Feb. 9, financial dept.

Asst. surg. A. N. Hojel assumed charge of the duties of Professor of Anatomy and Physiology and Curator of the Museum in the Grant Medical College, Feb. 27 last.

Asst. surg. J. T. Mackenzie, M.B., performed the duties of Prof. of Anatomy and Physiology and Curator of the Museum in the Grant Medical College, from Dec. 14, 1864, to Feb. 26 last, in add. to his duties of prof. of surgery.

Erratum.—For the notification, published at page 386 of the *Bombay Government Gazette*, read the following:—

Major W. C. Lester's appt. as educational insp. of the S. div. is can. at his own request.

March 7.—Referring to notifications, dated May 31 and June 24 last, Mr. W. Maidment is confirmed in the appts. of asst. sec. to Govt. in military, marine, and ecclesiastical depts., and registrar of assets and estates.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

No. 169.—The following temp. arrangement is confirmed:—

2nd Gren. Regt. N.I.—Lieut. J. G. McRae to offic. as wing officer, in addition to his own duties as qrmr., with effect from Jan. 19, v. Edwardes.

No. 170.—Capt. A. Hawthorn, cadre 9th regt. N.I., is att. to the 21st regt. N.I., as a temp. measure.

No. 171.—The undermen. officers returned to duty by perm. of the Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. col. R. L. Taylor, c.b., staff corps (ret.) Nov. 9.

Capt. H. F. Hancock, R.E., Feb. 11.

Capt. G. W. Hanson, staff corps, Feb. 11.

Feb. 17.—No. 176.—Brev. maj. J. Miles, cadre 3rd Eur. regt., is placed on general duty, Poona.

No. 177.—Capt. S. W. O. Stevens, 3rd regt. L.C., is attached to the 1st regt. L.C.

Feb. 18.—No. 184.—Leave of absence:—
Cornet T. J. Newnham, 6th dragoons, from Feb. 5 to March 6, to Bombay, on m.c.

Lieut. W. J. Holt, 1st batt. 4th foot, 2 mo. from date of departure.

Feb. 20.—No. 187.—Asst. surg. Chapple, E brigade, royal horse art., will assume med. charge of 33rd foot, as a temp. measure, during the absence of Surg. Hanbury on sick leave, or till further orders.

Feb. 21.—No. 188.—Appointments:—
16th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. C. C. Paul, cadre 20th regt. N.I., to be doing duty officer, v. Yonge, proc. on furl. to Europe.

Capt. F. S. Warden is att. to 4th regt. N.I. (rifles).

Lieut. E. S. Walcott, general list, is att. to 10th regt. N.I., and directed to join.

No. 190.—With reference to G. O. C. No. 46, of the 11th ult., Asst. surg. Lithgow, 17th lancers, is app. to med. charge of the troops about to proceed to England in the ship *Dumbar Castle*.

No. 191.—The undermen. officer is reported to have passed the required examination in the native language as follows, on Jan. 31:—
Hindoostanee—Interpreter's Test.—Lieut. J. B. Lawrence, royal art.

No. 196.—Staff Asst. surg. C. McD. Cuffee is appd. to act for Surg. Davidson, M.D., in med. charge of the gen. depot, during that officer's absence on leave.

No. 198.—Leave of absence:—

C Batty, 18th Brig. Royal Art.—Capt. C. E. Newport, from Feb. 18 to March 20, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtg. a final certificate to Eur.

G Batty, 18th Brig. Royal Art.—Asst. surg. J. B. Jardine, 1 mo. from date of departure, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtg. a final certificate to Eur.

Medical.—Surg. W. A. Davidson, M.D., 3 mo. from date of departure.

Adj. Gen.'s Office, Poona, Feb. 23.—No. 199.—The undermentioned officers returned to duty, by permission of the Secy. of State for India:—

Brev. maj. T. S. Warden, 4th N.I., Feb. 11.

Lieut. H. Martin, 26th N.I., Feb. 11.

Brev. maj. J. J. Laurie, cadre 30th N.I., Feb. 17.

No. 201.—Lieut. W. de W. Abney, R.E., having arrived from England on Feb. 17, is attached to the sappers and miners, and directed to join.

Feb. 25.—No. 206.—Capt. G. W. Hanson, staff corps, is placed on general duty, Poona.

No. 208.—The following orders are confirmed:—
Jan. 31.—By the officer comdg. at Indore, directing Lieut. T. A. Buchanan, attached to 6th N.I., to act as station staff officer, 3rd class, as a temporary measure.

Dec. 20.—By the officer comdg. detail of recruits, 106th foot, apptg. Qrmr. Mackey to act as adjt. and qrmr. to the detachment.

No. 209.—Lieut. G. M. Lyons offic. as wing officer 21st regt. N.I. (or marine batt.), from Dec. 29 to Jan. 28.

No. 211.—The underment. officers have obtained leave of absence, subject to confirmation by H.E. the C. in C. in India:—

Lieut. C. E. Nairne, C brigade, R.H.A., to proc. to England, via the Cape of Good Hope, for the purpose of appearing before a med. board.

Asst. surg. J. B. Jardine, 18th brig., R.A., ditto.

Asst. surg. G. R. Woolhouse, 19th hussars, to proceed to England by the overland route, for the purpose of appearing before a med. board.

Surg. W. Hanbury, 33rd foot, ditto.

Ens. R. P. Rowley, 79th foot, ditto.

Lieut. C. E. Nairne only is available for duty with troops.

The underment. officers have obtained leave of absence:—

Lieut. C. Grant, 2nd cav., 8rd squadron officer S. M. horse, from March 1 to March 31, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final certificate to Europe.

Lieut. R. G. Mayne, 1st cav., adjt. S. M. horse, from March 1 to March 31, to Bombay, on m.c.

Lieut. J. M. Boyd, staff corps, qrmr. 11th regt. N.I., from Feb. 20 to March 31, to Bombay, prep. to furl. to Eur.

Feb. 27.—No. 214.—The underment. officer returned to duty by permission of the Secy. of State for India on Feb. 17:—Asst. surg. E. A. Lawrence, med. estab.

No. 215.—Lieut. J. T. Whish, 103rd foot, having been reported fit for duty, is directed to rejoin his regt.

Feb. 28.—No. 219.—Under instructions from Govt., the B baty. 21st brig. R.A. will be reduced from the 31st prox.

March 1.—No. 220.—Capt. P. Barras, cadre 29th N.I., is transf. from gen. duty, Malligaum, to gen. duty, Ahmednuggur, at his own request.

No. 221.—The underment. officer is reported to have passed the required examination in the native language on Feb. 1, as follows:—
2nd Capt. G. Twiss, B baty. 18th brig. R.A.—Hindoostanee staff test.

No. 222.—H.E. the C. in C. in India has been pleased to grant leave of absence as follows:—
Capt. R. C. Battiscombe, 21st brig. R.A., for 15 mo. from date of embark., to England.

The underment. officers have obtained leave of absence, subject to confirmation by H.E. the C. in C. in India:—

Capt. J. A. R. Meade, 24th brig. R.A., to England, by the overland route, for the purpose of appearing before a med. board.

2nd Capt. C. E. Newport, 18th brig. R.A., to England, via the Cape of Good Hope, for the purpose of appearing before a med. board.

The undermen. officers and warrant officer have obtd. leave of absence:—

Capt. J. Evans and Cornet A. Froom, 6th Inniskilling drags., from March 15 to May 31.

Lieut. C. Caldecot, 106th foot, for 90 days from date of departure.

Capt. E. S. K. Dawson, 106th foot, 1 mo. from date of departure, prep. to obtg. leave to England.

Major J. Pogson, 17th regt. N.I., from Feb. 18 to March 17, to Bombay on m.c., prep. to obtg. a final certificate to Eur.

Mar. 4.—No. 231.—As a tempy. measure, the following apps. are made, with effect from Feb. 20, 1865:—

17th Regt. N.I.

Maj. J. H. Reynolds, 2nd in command and wing officer, to offic. as comdt.

Capt. H. Vaughan, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in command.

Lieut. and Qrmr. W. A. Salmon, offic. adjt., to offic. as wing officer, performing his own duties in addition.

Lieut. R. W. W. Greenlaw, paid doing duty officer, to offic. as qrmr.

No. 233.—The following orders are confirmed:—

Feb. 19.—By the officer comdg. 11th regt. N.I., appg. Capt. A. P. Davis, cadre 3rd Eur. regt., to offic. as qrmr., as a tempy. measure, v. Boyd, proc. on furl.

Feb. 21.—By the officer comdg. at Rajcote, appg. Lieut. and Adj. T. E. Strong, 16th regt. N.I., to act as staff officer and superint. of bazaars, Rajcote, as a tempy. measure.

No. 234.—The undermen. officers of the R.E., having arrived from England on March 1, are attached to the sappers and miners, and directed to join:—

Lieut. E. J. Alleyne.

Lieut. W. H. Heydon.

No. 235.—Capt. F. Davidson, cadre 19th regt. N.I., is placed on gen. duty, Malligaum, for the purpose of studying the native languages.

No. 239.—The undermen. officer has obtained leave of absence, subject to confirmation by H.E. the C. in C. in India:—Capt. J. A. B. Mead, 24th brig. R.A., to England by the overland route, for the purpose of appearing before a medical board.

The undermen. officers have obtained leave of absence:—

Asst. surg. T. Wood, M.D., 45th foot, from March 6 to March 31, in ext., m.c.

Capt. R. P. Mainwaring, 20th regt. N.I., from March 1 to March 31, in ext., m.c.

March 6.—No. 242.—The following appts. are made:—

23rd N.I.I.

Lieut. J. Gatacre to be adjt., v. Ross, prom.

Lieut. F. T. Ebdon, doing duty officer 14th N.I., to be qrmr., v. Gatacre.

Lieut. G. G. Morris, gen. list, to be doing duty officer, v. Paul.

14th N.I.—Lieut. G. E. Blew, 17th N.I., to be doing duty officer.

No. 243.—The undermen. officer returned to duty, by perm. of H.M.'s Secy. of State for India:—Lieut. E. S. Walcott, gen. list, Feb. 17.

March 7.—No. 249.—The undermen. medical officers, recently returned from Eur., are att. for duty as stated opposite their names:—

Asst. surgs. H. F. McGrath and H. Wakefield, gen. duty, Bombay garrison.

Asst. surg. E. A. Lawrence, gen. duty, Sind div.

No. 250.—Asst. surg. H. A. Lewis is transf. from gen. duty, Sind, to gen. duty, Poona div.

No. 251.—The undermen. officers returned to duty by perm. of the Secy. of State for India, March 1:—

Brev. capt. F. W. Jones, 18th N.I.

Brev. capt. F. C. Davidson, 19th N.I.

No. 256.—The undermentioned officers have obtained leave of absence:—

Capt. J. L. Sheppard, staff corps, from March 6 to March 13, prepy. to proceeding on furl. to Eur.

Lieut. S. A. Smith, staff corps, adjt. 17th regt. N.I., from March 1 to March 31, in extension, to remain at Bombay, on m.c.

Lieut. W. S. Nugent, 103rd foot, from March 1 to March 31, in extension, to remain in Bombay, on m.c.

Capt. A. J. Badgley, 33rd foot, 6 mo. from date of departure.

Brev. lieut. col. J. J. Combe, 18th regt. N.I., from March 16 to March 29, prepy. to obtaining a furl. to Eur.

NAVAL.

By Capt. J. W. Young, C.B., Superintendent of Bombay Marine.

Marine Dept., Bombay Castle, Feb. 20.—No. 4.—The following temporary arrangements and appointments are confirmed:—

Mr. G. Johnston to be 3rd officer of the *Dalhousie*, from Dec. 10, 1864, v. Miles, resigned at his own request.

Lieut. Hewett, comdg. the *Hugh Lindsay*, was app. store accountant of that vessel from Oct. 10, 1864.

Mr. E. Dawes, 1st officer of the *Berenice*, to be store accountant of that vessel from Nov. 1, 1864, v. Downing, relieved.

BIRTHS.

ANDREWS.—At Calcutta, Feb. 28th, the wife of H. Andrews, Apothecary, Sub-Medical Department of a daughter.

BAYLEY.—At Calcutta, Feb. 17, the wife of Stuart C. Bayley, Esq., of a daughter.

BINEHAM.—At Bombay, March 5th, the wife of T. J. Bineham, engineer P. and O. Company, of a daughter.

BOND.—At Byculla, March 2nd, the wife of W. Bond, of a son.

BOND.—En route to Shajehanpore from Lucknow, 15th Feb., the wife of Mr. S. Patterson Bond, Hospital Steward, of a daughter.

CLIMO.—At Meerut, February 17th, the wife of W. H. Climo, Esq., M.D., Assistant-surgeon, Prince Consort's Own Rifle Brigade, of a son.

CRANENBURG.—At Calcutta, Feb. 28th, the wife of P. M. Cranenburg, of a daughter.

CURRIE.—At Meerut, Feb. 18th, the wife of H. O. Currie, Paymaster, 19th Hussars, of a son.

DURRANS.—At Delhi, Feb. 27th, the wife of R. Durrans, ticket-collector, E. I. R., Delhi terminus, of a daughter.

FINCH.—At Lucknow, March 5, the wife of Major H. Finch, 2nd N.L.I., of a daughter.

FIRTH.—At Moradabad, March 2, the wife of R. F. Firth, Adjutant 10th Regt. N.I., of a son.

FOOKS.—At Dum Dum, Feb. 24, the wife of Major G. A. St. P. Fooks, Bengal Staff Corps, of a daughter.

GRANT.—At Secunderabad, March 4, the wife of Captain Seafield Grant, Cadre 47th M.N.I., and acting Second Master and Interpreter of the 38th M.N.I., of a son.

GUBBAY.—At Malabar Castle, March 1, the wife of A. M. Gubbay, Esq., of a son.

HONNER.—At Coringa, Feb. 20, the wife of J. G. Honner, Esq., Inspecting Postmaster 2nd Division, of a son.

JACOB.—At Bhooj, Feb. 28, the wife of Major Jacob, 18th Regt. N.I., of a daughter.

JOHNSTON.—At Kolapore, March 1, the wife of Assistant-surgeon T. P. Johnston, H.M.'s 26th Regt. N.I., of a daughter.

MAUNSELL.—At Roorkee, 6th Feb., the wife of Major F. R. Maunsell, R.E., of a daughter.

MARRIOT.—At Lucknow, 24th Feb., the wife of Lieutenant E. M. L. Marriot, 33rd N.I., of a son.

MIDDLETON.—At Kurrachee, Feb. 23rd, the wife of the Rev. Wm. Middleton, A.M., St. Andrew's Church, Bombay, of a son.

MERRIMAN.—At Belgaum, March 2nd, the wife of Captain C. J. Merriman, R.E., of a daughter.

O'SULLIVAN.—At Allahabad, March 3rd, the wife of Mr. Thomas Wm. O'Sullivan, of a son.

FRIESTLEY.—At Saugor, Central India, March 3, Mrs. Arthur G. Priestley, of a daughter.

SCOTT.—At Walnut Grove, Mussoorie, Dec. 26, 1864, Mrs. H. G. Scott, of a son.

WACE.—At Rajanpore, Feb. 3, the wife of Lieut. Wace, Assistant Commissioner, of a daughter.

WOOD.—At Mhow, Feb. 24, the wife of Major John Augustus Wood, v.c., of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BAGRAM.—JOAKIM.—On Feb. 21, at the Armenian Church, G. J. Bagram, Esq., to Sophia, only daughter of M. C. Joakim, Esq.

BATTERSBY.—WILLOWES.—At Benares, 4th March, at St. Mary's Church, James Battersby, Esq., C.E., to Marie, daughter of the late Major J. A. Willowes, Madras army.

BRANDON.—DE CRUZ.—At St. John's Church, Colaba, Feb. 28, by the Rev. Ward Maule, Mr. Henry Brandon, of the Victoria Land and Press Company, to Miss Clara Maria, elder daughter of Mr. Francis De Cruz.

BRADY.—COMPION.—At Aurungabad, Feb. 15, Staff Sergeant G. Brady, R.H.A., to Sarah Rebecca Compion, seventh daughter of Mr. J. Compion and grand-daughter of Lieut. and deputy commissary G. R. Duncan.

FRASER.—BALLARD.—At Negapatam, Feb. 14, R. C. Fraser, Esq., to Annie, eldest daughter of T. Ballard, Esq.

JOWETT.—NOWELL.—At St. Mary's Church, Poona, March 6, by the Rev. G. L. Fenton, John Cardwell Jowett, Esq., C.E., to Jane, eldest daughter of the late Thomas Nowell, Esq., railway contractor, Birmingham, England.

HUNT.—DONNERY.—On the 28th Feb., at Gwalior, and at Christ's Church, Morar, Capt. J. V. Hunt, Bengal Staff Corps, to Ellen Mary, youngest daughter of the late J. Donnery, Esq.

TULLOCH.—GAIR.—At Ferozepore, Feb. 25, Capt. A. Tulloch, district superintendent of police, Punjab, to Mrs. Gair, widow of the late Lieut. D. Gair, D.P.W.

WHITTLE.—ROBERTS.—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, March 4, John Whittle, Esq., commander of the ship *British Princess*, to Miss Sarah Anne Petit Roberts.

DEATHS.

BARRY.—At Nynce Tal, Feb. 27th, Sergeant John Barry, barrack sergeant.

BIGGS.—At Kirkee, March 2nd, from cholera, Mary, the wife of Lieut.-Colonel T. Biggs, Royal Artillery.

FAWCETT.—At Sircy, North Canara, Feb. 27th, Martha Hannah, the infant daughter of Mr. Fawcett, of the P.W.D.

GILDER.—At Grant-road, Bombay, March 8th, Mr. Richard N. Gilder, traffic manager's office, G. I. P. Railway, youngest son of the late C. D. Gilder, Esq., aged 19 years.

GLEAVE.—At Girgaum, Feb. 27th, Eli Gleave, weaving master, Coorla S. and W. Company, aged 81.

GIRDLESTONE.—Henry, second son of the Rev. Edward Girdlestone, Canon of Bristol, and Vicar of Halberton, at sea, on his voyage from China, aged 23, Feb. 26.

MACCARTHY.—At Broach, of cholera, March 3, Harry, son of E. McCarthy, Esq., Broach Bank, aged 3 months and 13 days.

MYATT.—Drowned in the lake at Mahabeshwar, March 7, David, son of P. and C. Myatt, aged 13 years and 3 months.

MARLEY.—At Dinapore, Victoria Brookes, infant daughter of Unattached Ensign G. Marley, aged 1 year.

TUCKER.—At Bombay, March 5, Mr. George Tucker, Pilot, H.M.'s Bombay Establishment, aged 40.

WILHELM.—At Saugor, Central India, March 3, Louisa S. F., the only child of Friedrich Wilhelm, and Ann Muller, Army Commissariat Department, aged 2 years and 5 months.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c., IN H.M.'s REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA. April 4.

59th Foot.—Maj. gen. H. Eyre to be col., v. Maj. gen. J. Clark, dec.

3rd Dragoon Guards.—Cornet W. Watt, from 17th lancers, to be cornet, v. Donnithorne, who exch.

2nd Dragoons.—Staff surg. maj. J. Mullins to be surg., v. Surg. maj. A. P. Lockwood, placed upon half-pay.

6th Dragoons.—Qrmr. T. Mitchell, from the military train, to be qrmr., v. C. Wooden, transf. to 5th lancers.

7th Hussars.—Qrmr. W. Hodgkinson, from a depot battalion, to be qrmr., v. W. Borthwick, dec.

17th Lancers.—Cornet A. B. Donnithorne, from 3rd drag. guards, to be cornet, v. Watt, who exch.

Royal Artillery.—Asst. surg. F. A. Turton, from 23rd foot, to be asst. surg., v. R. White, dec.

18th Foot.—Ens. J. Bradley to be lieut., without purch., v. H. Adams, dec.; Gent. cadet O. A. Woodhouse, from the Royal Military College, to be ens., without purch., v. Bradley.

23rd Foot.—Staff Asst. surg. R. W. Lawless to be asst. surg., v. F. A. Turton, app. to the R.A.

23rd Foot.—Staff asst. surg. G. S. Burnside to be asst. surg., v. G. T. Bourke, app. to the staff.

94th Foot.—Gent. cadet F. T. Goodridge, from the Royal Military College, to be ens., without purch., v. G. Robinson, dec.

97th Foot.—Gent. cadet J. Marshman, from the Royal Military College, to be ens., without purch., v. E. J. A. Smith, dec.

107th Foot.—Qrmr. J. E. Tripp, from 12th foot, to be qrmr., v. Lyne, who exch.

Rifle Brigade.—Qrmr. J. Clarke, from a depot battalion, to be qrmr., v. H. Harvey, app. paymr.

Ceylon Rifle Regt.—Lieut. H. K. Fenwick, from 13th foot, to be lieut., v. Hort, who exch.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Asst. surg. G. T. Bourke, from 51st foot, to be staff asst. surg., v. R. W. Lawless, app. to the 23rd foot.

CHAPLAIN'S DEPARTMENT.

The Rev. F. Cannon, chaplain of the 4th class, to be chaplain of the 3rd class; the Rev. D. Somerville, M.A., chaplain of the 4th class, to be chaplain of the 3rd class.

THE NEW BREVET.

INDIA OFFICE, MARCH 22.

Her Majesty has been pleased to approve the undermentioned promotions amongst the officers of the Staff Corps, and of H.M.'s Indian military forces:—

BREVET.

The undermentioned officer, having completed 5 years' service as major and brevet lieutenant colonel, and as regt. lieutenant colonel, to be colonel in the army, under the operation of Clauses 8, 9, and 10, of the Royal Warrant of Jan. 31, 1859:—

Lieut. col. Michael Galwey, c.b., Madras inf., May 9, 1863.

The undermentioned officer, having completed 5 years' service as lieutenant colonel, to be colonel in the army, under the operation of Clause 8 of the Royal Warrant of Jan. 31, 1859:—

Lieut. col. Henry Milne, Bengal inf., Aug. 25, 1864.

Major John Crosbie Graves, Bombay cav., to be lieutenant col.; Capt. George Harkness, Madras inf., to be major, in succession to Major gen. W. Sage, Bengal inf., dec., May 26, 1864.

Major Dean Christian Shute, Bengal inf., to be lieutenant col.; Capt. James John Combe, Bengal inf., to be major, in succession to Major gen. T. Anderson, Madras cav., dec., May 28, 1864.

BENGAL STAFF CORPS.

PROMOTIONS.

To be Lieutenant colonel.

Major Alfred Chicheley Plowden, July 3, 1864.

To be Majors.

Capt. Hugh Hayley, July 27, 1864.

Capt. C. F. Browne, Aug. 17, 1864.

Capt. George Weld, Aug. 27, 1864.

Capt. (brevet major) Hamilton Forbes, Oct. 3, 1864.

Capt. Thomas Pierce, Oct. 8, 1864.

Capt. Alexander Paterson, Nov. 8, 1864.

Capt. (brevet major) George Swiney, Nov. 18, 1864.

Capt. William Briggs, Nov. 18, 1864.

To be Captains.

Lieut. John Thornhill Bushby, Aug. 10, 1864.

Lieut. John James Boswell, Aug. 10, 1864.

Lieut. Henry Tindall, Aug. 20, 1864.

Lieut. Montagu Mitchell Procter, Aug. 31, 1864.

Lieut. Frederic Allen, Sept. 20, 1864.

Lieut. Willoughby Henry Garton, Sept. 22, 1864.

Lieut. William Watfield, Oct. 3, 1864.

Lieut. Bruce Neilson Smith, Nov. 7, 1864.

Lieut. Thomas Edward Vandergucht, Nov. 9, 1864.

ALTERATION OF RANK.

Major James Joseph O'Brien will take rank from Nov. 22, 1863.

BENGAL ARMY.

Cavalry.

Supernumerary Lieut. col. (major gen.) John Fowler Bradford c.b., to be colonel, v. Pattle removed from list of lieut. cols., Sept. 30, 1862.

Lieut. col. (brevet col.) William Binfield Wemyss, to be col.; Major Thomas Rochfort Snow, from the late 4th cav., to be lieutenant col., in succession to Shubrick, deceased, Jan. 6, 1863.

Supernumerary Major (major gen.) John Christie to be lieutenant col., v. Taylor (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Francis Walker Drummond, from late 5th cav., to be lieutenant col., v. Richardson, 19th hussars, removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major William Fraser Stephens to be lieutenant col., v. Simeon (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major William Adam Anstruther Thomson, from late 4th cav., to be lieutenant col., v. Warner (20th hussars), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Late 2nd Cavalry.

Lieut. Ambrose Dawson Jennings to be capt., v. Cockerell (20th hussars), exchanged, April 19, 1864.

Late 3rd Cavalry.

Capt. Lenox James Farquharson to be major, July 16, 1864.

Late 4th Cavalry.

Capt. (brevet major) William Adam Anstruther Thomson to be major, Lieut. Henry Muirson Caulfield to be capt., in succession to Shubrick, deceased, Jan. 6, 1863.

Lieut. Arthur Haldinard Prinsep to be capt., v. Barlow, transferred to 88th foot, Nov. 17, 1863.

Lieut. Thomas Francis Cosby Rochfort to be capt., v. Bushby, deceased, July 2, 1864.

Capt. Charles Dumbleton to be major; Lieut. Alfred Watfield to be capt., in succession to Turnbull (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Capt. (brevet major) John Henry Balmain to be major; Lieut. Hamilton Bell Webster to be capt., in succession to Warner (20th hussars), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Late 5th Cavalry.

Lieut. William Fairlie Fergusson to be capt., v. Chichester, transferred to 94th foot, Nov. 17, 1863.

Capt. George Ward to be major; Lieut. Harold Cooper Sitwell to be capt., in succession to Richardson (19th hussars), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Capt. (brevet major) Henry Lane to be major; Lieut. William Hay Macnaghten to be capt., in succession to Simeon (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

General List of Cavalry Officers.

Cornet Henry Arthur Fletcher to be lieutenant, July 30, 1862.

Cornet Silas Adair Swinley to be lieutenant, Sept. 24, 1863.

Cornet Charles Bell Horsburgh to be lieutenant, Nov. 17, 1863.

Cornet William Gibson Craig to be lieutenant, Nov. 24, 1863.

Cornet Richard Lockwood to be lieutenant, April 19, 1864.

Cornet Robert Bartholomew to be lieutenant, July 9, 1864.

Infantry.

Major John William Carter, from late 54th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Birch, transferred to 104th foot, July 30, 1862.

Major (brevet col.) Sir Herbert Benjamin Edwards, k.c.b., from the late 1st Eur. regt., to be lieutenant col., v. Davidson, deceased, Aug. 3, 1862.

Lieut. col. (major gen.) St. George Daniel Showers, c.b., to be col.; Major Mortimer John Slater (deceased), from late 5th Eur. regt., to be lieutenant col., in succession to Sir P. Grant, transferred to 104th foot, Sept. 30, 1862.

Lieut. col. (brevet col.) Colin Troup, c.b., to be col.; Major (brevet lieutenant col.) John Barrett, from late 37th N.I., to be lieutenant col., in succession to Scott, deceased, April 6, 1863.

Lieut. col. (brevet col.) John Welchman, c.b., to be col.; Major George Strangways, from late 71st N.I., to be lieutenant col., in succession to Blackall, deceased, April 21, 1863.

Major Gordon Caulfield, from late 46th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Slater, deceased, Oct. 31, 1863.

Lieut. col. (brevet col.) William Ferguson Beaton to be col., v. Sage, deceased, May 26, 1864.

Major (brevet lieutenant col.) George Burd Reddie, from late 29th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Ramsay (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Henry Borlase Stevens, from late 41st N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Hamilton (staff corps) removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major William Martin Cafe, v.c., from late 56th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Voyle (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Richard John Edgell, from late 53rd N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Shakespeare (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Edward James Simpson, from late 64th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Scott (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Richard John Meade, from late 65th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Ryves (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major (brevet lieutenant col.) John Hennessy, from late 70th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Brooke (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major James Price Clarkson, from late 44th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Richardson (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Henry Duncan Twysden, from late 33rd N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Atkinson (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major (brevet col.) Henry Frederick Dunsford, c.b., from late 59th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Hill (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Francis Geach Crossman, from late 45th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Holroyd (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Frederick Charles Maisey, from late 67th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Gastrell (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Edwin Shuckburgh Denniss, from late 62nd N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Hatch (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Robert Chardin Wroughton, from late 12th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Reid (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Late 1st European Fusiliers.

Capt. Conolly O'Brien Palmer to be major; Lieut. John Morland to be capt., in succession to Davidson, deceased, Aug. 3, 1862.

Late 4th European Infantry.

Lieut. William Pemberton Fisher to be capt., in succession to Stuart (staff corps), deceased, Nov. 19, 1863.

Late 5th European Infantry.

Capt. Alexander Braithwaite Fenwick (deceased), to be major; Lieut. George Fergus Graham to be capt., in succession to Sir P. Grant, transferred to 104th foot, Sept. 30, 1862.

Late 6th European Infantry.

Lieut. William George Keppel to be capt., v. Grindall, retired, Sept. 1, 1864.

Late 10th Native Infantry.

Lieut. (brevet capt.) James Andrews Mount Biggs to be capt., in succession to Mulcaster (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Late 12th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Archibald Gathorne Remington to be capt., v. McNeill, transferred to 107th foot, July 30, 1862.

Lieut. Philip Sydney Yorke to be capt., in succession to Reid (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Late 28th Native Infantry.

Capt. Charles Edward Mills to be major; Lieut. Thomas Buttanshaw to be capt., in succession to Phayre (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Late 29th Native Infantry.

Capt. Martin Boileau Whish to be major, in succession to Ramsay (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Late 32nd Native Infantry.

Lieut. George Battye Fisher to be capt., v. Studdy, transferred to 20th hussars, May 31, 1864.

Late 33rd Native Infantry.

Lieut. (brevet capt.) Joseph White Orchard to be capt., in succession to Atkinson (staff corps) removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Late 35th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Griffith Turner Jones to be capt., v. Maxwell, retired, May 31, 1864.

Late 36th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Henry Richard Bradford to be capt., in succession to Sage, deceased, May 26, 1864.

Late 38th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Henry Foord Bamford to be capt., v. Hearsey, deceased, Aug. 9, 1864.

Late 41st Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) John William Sanders to be major, in succession to Hamilton (staff corps), removed from the list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Late 42nd Native Infantry.

Lieut. Edmund Fisher Litchfield to be capt., v. Holt, retired, Nov. 18, 1862.

Late 44th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Alexander Home Bramley to be capt., in succession to Richardson (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Late 45th Native Infantry.

Capt. (brev. maj.) Alexander Sutton Osborn Donaldson to be major, in succession to Holroyd (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Late 46th Native Infantry.

Lieut. (brevet capt.) Francis Dashwood Ogilvie to be capt., in succession to Slater, deceased, Oct. 31, 1863.

Late 54th Native Infantry.

Lieut. William Wroughton to be capt., in succession to Birch, transferred to 104th foot, July 30, 1862.

Late 59th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Mansfield George Smith to be capt., in succession to Hill (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Late 62nd Native Infantry.

Capt. Henry Daniel Maunsell to be major, in succession to Hatch (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Late 64th Native Infantry.

Capt. Henry Elliott Young to be major, Lieut. Robert Durie Griffin to be capt., in succession to H. Ramsay (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Late 65th Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) Henry Larkins Robertson to be major, v. Ryves, removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Late 67th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Henry McDonnell De Wendt Douglas to be capt., in succession to Gastrell (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Late 69th Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) John Nisbett to be major, in succession to Scott (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Late 71st Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) Henry Dinning to be major, in succession to Blackall, deceased, April 21, 1863.

General List of Infantry Officers.

To be Lieutenants.

Ensign James Murphy Tulloch, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Charles Ransford, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign George McCall, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign John Richard Brecks Atkinson, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign James Fraser, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Etwall Walter Smith, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Edward Harvey Webb, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Hugh Stark Anderson, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign William Walter Hopton Scott, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Claude Stewart Morrison, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Edmond Hughes, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Frederick William Glastford, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Percy Wyndham Smith, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Robert Charnley Squire Charles Tytler, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign James Cook, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Charles Edward Hunter, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Frederick Durie Boileau, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign James Agnew McNeill, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Charles Frederick Thomas, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Arthur Oldham, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Walter Edward Gowan, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Allan Harden, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign William Charles Ramsden, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Thomas Nicholls, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Celadon Charles Brownlow, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign George Waterhouse, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Benjamin Hill Russell, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign John Andrias Davidson Gordon, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Douglas Cowslade Hennessey, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Everard Neal Digges La Touche, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Horace Howell, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Frederick Schomberg Carr, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Robert Edward Seymour Smith, Aug. 2, 1862.
 Ensign George Michell Devereux Hill, Sept. 4, 1862.
 Ensign Robert Vivian (deceased), Sept. 6, 1862.
 Ensign Francis Henry Hinde, Sept. 10, 1862.
 Ensign Charles Hyder Forster, Sept. 27, 1862.
 Ensign Alexander Robert Badcock, Oct. 1, 1862.
 Ensign Alfred James Stead, Oct. 4, 1862.
 Ensign Frank Bird Morris, Oct. 4, 1862.
 Ensign Henry Wylie, Oct. 4, 1862.
 Ensign Roderick Fraser Sandeman (resigned), Oct. 20, 1862.
 Ensign Edward Millett Forbes, Oct. 20, 1862.
 Ensign Arthur Benjamin Clare, Oct. 30, 1862.
 Ensign George Campbell Napier, Nov. 18, 1862.
 Ensign William Hope Meiklejohn, Dec. 11, 1862.
 Ensign Walter Jones, Jan. 1, 1863.
 Ensign Alexander Jeffery Nicholson, Jan. 18, 1863.
 Ensign Archibald Cuthbert Bigg-Wither, Jan. 25, 1863.
 Ensign Henry John Lawrence, March 10, 1863.
 Ensign William Loch, March 13, 1863.
 Ensign Richmond Shakespeare, March 23, 1863.
 Ensign Binfield Wemyss, March 24, 1863.
 Ensign Robert William Napier, March 24, 1863.
 Ensign Frederick Mills Malet Harris, March 24, 1863.
 Ensign Allan Scott Roberts, March 24, 1863.
 Ensign Stephen Hotham, March 24, 1863.
 Ensign Ernest Hunter Chicheley Plowden (resigned), March 24, 1863.
 Ensign Howard Kingscote, April 6, 1863.

MADRAS STAFF CORPS.

PROMOTIONS.

To be Majors.

Capt. Francis Dawson, July 26, 1864.
 Capt. John Jeffreys Fulton, Sept. 7, 1864.

To be Captains.

Lieut. James Evan Baillie, June 8, 1863.
 Lieut. Robert Henry Cunliffe, June 13, 1863.
 Lieut. Thomas Wakefield, Nov. 1, 1863.

MADRAS ARMY.

PROMOTIONS.

Cavalry.

Major James Buchanan, from 4th L.C., to be lieut.-col., v. Scott (staff corps), removed from list of lieut.-cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Hon. Hugh Arbuthnot, from 8rd L.C., to be lieut.-col., v. Russell (staff corps), removed from list of lieut.-cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Charles Stuart Belli Bivar, from 1st L.C., to be lieut.-col., v. Woods (staff corps), removed from list of lieut.-cols., July 16, 1864.

Major George Travis Radcliffe, from late 7th L.C., to be lieut.-col., v. Whistler, retired, Aug. 1, 1864.

1st Light Cavalry.

Capt. Henry Ellenborough Dyneley to be major, Lieut. William Sim Macleod to be capt., in succession to Woods (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

2nd Light Cavalry.

Lieut. Philip Durham Henderson to be capt., in succession to Thornhill (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

4th Light Cavalry.

Lieut. John Mawby Closay Galloway to be capt., v. Parker, transferred to 21st hussars, May 31, 1864.

Capt. Charles Raper Stainforth to be major, Lieut. William New Lumaden Beattie to be capt., in succession to Scott (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Lieut. Harry Cayave Stevens to be capt., v. Beattie, cashiered, Sept. 4, 1864.

Late 6th Light Cavalry.

Capt. (brevet major) William Vine to be major, July 16, 1864.

Late 7th Light Cavalry.

Capt. George Travis Radcliffe to be major, Lieut. Alexander Ansdell Gordon to be capt., v. Campbell, deceased, April 16, 1863.

Lieut. William Thompson to be capt., in succession to Whistler, retired, Aug. 1, 1864.

General List of Cavalry Officers.

Lieut. Victor Edward Law to be capt., in succession to Russell (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Infantry.

Major William Taylor Money, from 30th N.I., to be lieut. col., v. Haly, transferred to 108th foot, July 30, 1862.

Lieut. col. (major general) James Fitzgerald to be col., v. Dyce, transferred to 105th foot, Sept. 30, 1862.

Lieut. col. (major general) Charles Alfred Browne to be col., Sept. 30, 1862.

Major Doveton Hodson, from late 3rd European regt., to be lieut. col., v. Baillie, promoted to major gen., May 28, 1864.

Major (brevet col.) John Gustavus Halliday, from 12th N.I., to be lieut. col., v. Macdonald (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Henry Nott, from 19th N.I., to be lieut. col., v. Mackenzie (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Major Robert Shedden Dobbie, from 39th N.I., to be lieut. col., v. Hamilton (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Major (brevet lieut. col.) John Kitson, from late 45th N.I., to be lieut. col., v. Cooke (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Major Henry David Innes, from late 47th N.I., to be lieut. col., v. Burton (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Annesley Knox Gore, from 29th N.I., to be lieut. col., v. Snow (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Montague Cholmeley, from 27th N.I., to be lieut.-col., to complete the establishment, July 16, 1864.

Major William John Tweedie, from 35th N.I., to be lieut. col., to complete the establishment, July 16, 1864.

Major William John Cooke, from 8th N.I., to be lieut. col., v. Man (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major William Thomas Williams, from 32nd N.I., to be lieut. col., v. Raikes, 102nd foot, removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

Major William Henry Watts, from 5th N.I., to be lieut. col., v. Dyer, invalided, Aug. 1, 1864.

Late 1st European Fusiliers.

Capt. Edward Long Grant to be major, July 16, 1864.

Late 2nd European Infantry.

Lieut. Lancelot Henry Isaacs to be capt., v. Drever, invalided, Oct. 1, 1864.

Late 3rd European Infantry.

Capt. Archibald Duncan McDougall to be major,

in succession to Baillie, promoted to major gen., May 28, 1864.

5th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Richard Augustus Chadwick to be captain, in succession to Dyer, invalided, Aug. 1, 1864.

8th Native Infantry.

Capt. John Curtis to be major, in succession to Man (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

12th Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) Linnaeus Tripe to be major, Lieut. (brevet capt.) Nathaniel Frederick Bayly to be capt., in succession to Macdonald (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

18th Native Infantry.

Capt. Francis Albany Brooking to be major, in succession to Webb (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

14th Native Infantry.

Lieut. George Vanburgh Law to be capt., v. Sterling, transferred to 107th foot, May 31, 1864.

17th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Thomas Obbard to be capt., v. Taylor (staff corps), resigned, Oct. 18, 1864.

19th Native Infantry.

Lieut. John William Orr to be captain, in succession to Mackenzie (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. cols., July 16, 1864.

20th Native Infantry.

Lieut. George Carr Hodding to be capt., in succession to Todd (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

24th Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) Molyneux Capel Spottiswoode to be major, Lieut. (brevet capt.) Edwin Gardiner Ingram to be capt., in succession to Dobbs (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

25th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Richard William Daunt to be capt., vice Gells, retired, Dec. 29, 1861.

Lieut. William Morgan Frazer to be capt., Jan. 1, 1862.

29th Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) Frederick Charles Barker to be major, Lieut. (brevet capt.) Charles James Alexander Turner to be capt., in succession to Snow (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

30th Native Infantry.

Capt. Alexander Stevenson Findlay (retired) to be major, in succession to Haly, transf. to 108th foot, July 30, 1862.

32nd Native Infantry.

Lieut. William George Grove to be capt., in succession to Raikes, transf. to 102nd foot, July 30, 1862.

34th Native Infantry.

Lieut. George Shaw Butler Hewetson to be capt., in succession to Hill (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

36th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Alexander Gordon Duff to be capt., vice Phillips, cashiered, Oct. 14, 1864.

39th Native Infantry.

Lieut. John Newbold Wilson to be capt., in succession to Hamilton (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

41st Native Infantry.

Lieut. (brevet capt.) Josiah Hudleston to be capt., vice Jepson, removed to 102nd foot, July 30, 1862.

Late 42nd Native Infantry.

Capt. Græme Hastings Atkinson to be major, Lieut. Henry Charles Wright to be captain, July 16, 1864.

Late 45th Native Infantry.

Lieut. William Alexander Beath to be capt., in succession to Cooke (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Late 47th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Seafeld Falkland Murray Treasure Grant to be capt., in succession to Burton (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

Late 49th Native Infantry.

Capt. William Roche Broome to be major, Lieut. Joseph Johnston Muir to be capt., in succession to White (staff corps), removed from list of lieut. colonels, July 16, 1864.

General List of Infantry Officers.

To be Lieutenants.

Ensign Evelyn Swinton Skinner, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Francis Robert Berry Byrch, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Frederick Hole, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Alexander Molyneux Black, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Charles Woolley Blenkh, July 30, 1862.
 Ensign Robert Hunter, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Henry Elliott Dashwood Bayley, July 30, 1862.

Ensign John Henry Gausson, July 30, 1862.

Ensign John Leigh Goldie Silver, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Henry Thomas Harris Baber, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Shelley Leigh Hunt, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Henry Locock Berkeley, July 30, 1862.

Ensign John Hotham, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Augustus Frederick Wilkinson, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Allan Chaplin, July 30, 1862.

Ensign George Lecky, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Henry Whyte, July 30, 1862.

Ensign George Chamberlain Cooper, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Charles Edward Lovaine Eastall, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Frederick Edmund Spry, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Alexander John Shaw, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Frank James Fraser Monro, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Colin Charles Campbell, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Edward Pennycuik Maltby, July 30, 1862.

Ensign William Miller, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Robert Mildmay Clerk, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Thomas William Sandes, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Marc Henry Wratlaw, July 30, 1862.

Ensign James Turner Cummins, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Joseph John Fletcher, Sept. 11, 1862.

Ensign Walter Hamilton, Sept. 11, 1862.

Ensign Edwin Harley Fisher, Sept. 11, 1862.

Ensign Frederick Thomas Powis, Oct. 2, 1862.

Ensign William Stainforth, Nov. 4, 1862.

Ensign Dempeter Heming, Nov. 16, 1862.

Ensign William Henry Miller Franchlyne, Dec. 4, 1862.

Ensign Thomas Hay Campbell, Dec. 23, 1862.

Ensign Henry Charles Hamilton, Dec. 20, 1862.

Ensign Rowland Henry Thomas Hill, Jan. 2, 1863.

Ensign Richard Stokoe, Jan. 2, 1863.

Ensign Charles James Johnston, Jan. 4, 1863.

Ensign Henry Montague Dale, Jan. 20, 1863.

Ensign Frank Augustus Witherall, March 1, 1863.

Ensign Charles Henry Sheppard, March 1, 1863.

Medical Officers.

Assist. surg. Alexander Adam Renton, M.D., to be surgeon, v. Forrester, deceased, July 1, 1864.

Assist. surg. John Anderson Cox, M.D., to be surgeon, v. Cooper, retired, July 29, 1864.

BOMBAY ARMY.

Cavalry.

Major William Warden Anderson, from 1st L.C., to be lieutenant col., v. Curtis, transferred to 21st hussars, July 30, 1862.

1st Light Cavalry.

Lieut. Charles Edward Stack to be capt., in succession to Curtis, transferred to 21st hussars, July 30, 1862.

Lieut. Ashton George Mayne to be captain, v. Forbes, transferred to 21st hussars, July 30, 1862.

General List of Cavalry Officers.

Cornet Harry Bennett McNeill to be lieutenant, in succession to Curtis, transferred to 21st hussars, July 30, 1862.

Cornet Conrad Agnew Owen to be lieutenant, in succession to Hardy, transferred to 21st hussars, Oct. 27, 1862.

Infantry.

Lieut. col. (major gen.) Houghton James to be col., Major Edward Charles Beale, from 22nd N.I., to be lieutenant col., in succession to Hale, transferred to 103rd foot, Sept. 30, 1862.

Lieut. col. (major gen.) William Lang to be col., Major Henry Augustus Adams, from 13th N.I., to be lieutenant col., in succession to Brooks, deceased, Oct. 5, 1862.

Major John Field, from 6th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Grimes, deceased, April 26, 1863.

Major Daniel Boyd, from 11th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Pelly (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Roberts Michael Westropp, from 14th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Dunsterville (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Edward Hope Smith Bowdich, from 26th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Vincent (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

Major William Wilkinson Taylor, from 5th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Foray (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Henry Richard Connell Moyle, from 2nd N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Wallace (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Joseph Charles Coley, from 10th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Shaw (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

Major George Elliott Ashburner, from 8th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Loderick (staff corps, removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

Major Robert Richards, from 3rd N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Rigby (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

Major John Williams Fleming Sandwith, from late 3rd Eur. inf., to be lieutenant col., v. Gordon (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

Major George Reynolds Scott Burrows, from 15th N.I., to be lieutenant col., v. Compton (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

Late 2nd European Regiment.

Capt. (brevet major) Henry Shewell to be major, July 16, 1864.

Late 3rd European Regiment.

Capt. (brevet major) Edmund Campbell to be major, in succession to Gordon (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

Capt. (brevet major) George Uvedale Price to be major, Lieut. William Atherton Park to be capt., in succession to Thacker (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

2nd Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) St. John O'Neill Muter to be major, Lieut. Frederick Ponsonby Cramer Roberts to be capt., in succession to Wallace (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

Lieut. Charles Remy Blair to be capt., v. Graham, invalided, Aug. 28, 1864.

3rd Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) Charles Fortunatus Grant to be major, in succession to Rigby (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

4th Native Infantry.

Capt. John Langston to be major, Lieut. (brevet capt.) William Alfred Glasspoole to be capt., in succession to McGregor, deceased, June 29, 1863.

Lieut. (brevet capt.) John Durham Hall to be capt., v. Gordon, retired, Oct. 29, 1863.

5th Native Infantry.

Lieut. James Alexander Ramsay to be capt., in succession to Wray (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

6th Native Infantry.

Capt. Jonathan Augustus Spry Faulknor to be major, Lieut. John James Elder to be capt., in succession to Grimes, dec., April 29, 1863.

8th Native Infantry.

Capt. Edward Thompson to be major lieutenant (brevet capt.), Charles James Richardson to be capt., in succession to Loderick (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

9th Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) Charles Richard Baugh to be major, Lieut. (brevet capt.) Alexander Hawthorn to be capt., in succession to Malcolm (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

11th Native Infantry.

Capt. Walter Fergus Anderson to be major, in succession to Pelly (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

12th Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) Matthew John Soppitt to be major, in succession to Leckie (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

13th Native Infantry.

Capt. William Malcolm Leckie to be major, Lieut. Sidney Couzens to be capt., in succession to Brooks, deceased, Oct. 5, 1862.

14th Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) Francis Edward Francis to be major, in succession to Dunsterville (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

15th Native Infantry.

Capt. William Croughton Stillman to be major, in succession to Compton (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

16th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Francis Shrubbs Iredell to be capt., in succession to Whitehill, removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

20th Native Infantry.

Lieut. Randle Parker Mainwaring to be capt., in succession to Stock (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

23rd Native Infantry.

Capt. John Peyton to be major, in succession to Leith, transferred to 106th foot, July 30, 1862.

24th Native Infantry.

Capt. Walter Mountrion to be major, Lieut. George Sheddin Hawthorn to be capt., in succession to Barr (staff corps), removed from list of lieutenant cols., July 16, 1864.

29th Native Infantry.

Capt. (brevet major) Richard Jones Edgerley to

be major, Lieut. (brevet capt.) Alfred Phillips to be capt., July 16, 1864.

31st Native Infantry.

Lieut. Charles Donald Macleod to be capt., v. Dawson, transferred to 106th foot, July 30, 1862.

Lieut. Spencer Remington to be capt., in succession to McCulloch, retired, July 19, 1863.

General List of Infantry Officers.

To be Lieutenants.

Ensign John Becke, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Ellis Charles Jackson, July 30, 1862.

Ensign John Isaac Tinsling, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Alexander Richard Taylor McKae, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Evelyn Gawlior Sturt, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Edward Robert Reay, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Charles Hay, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Frederick Augustus Beville, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Simon Sowers Dalmahoy, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Edmund Alexander Douglas, July 30, 1862.

Ensign John Macclesfield Heath, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Macclesfield Forbes Cousmaker, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Stanley Carter, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Harry Trevor Bulkley, July 30, 1862.

Ensign John Arthur Rowlandson, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Llewelyn Francis Heaton, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Charles Maxwell Ryves, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Robert William Welsh Greenlaw, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Francis Thomas Ebdon, July 30, 1862.

Ensign James Fortnom Willoughby, July 30, 1862.

Ensign William Edward Simpson, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Robert Austice Prideaux, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Stephen Babington, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Herbert Byron Hill, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Charles Frederick Hughes, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Freeman Henry Jackson, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Francis Theodore Stock, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Walter Francis Hume, July 30, 1862.

Ensign John Edward Kershaw, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Frank Henry Gordon, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Henry Airey Laye, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Charles Michael Browne, July 30, 1862.

Ensign Henry Stratford Tandy, Aug. 23, 1862.

Ensign Reginald Hennell, Sept. 30, 1862.

Ensign James Eyles Gordon, Oct. 5, 1862.

Ensign Walter Stuart Hore, Oct. 29, 1862.

Ensign William Laing, Nov. 11, 1862.

Ensign Alexander Charles Babington, Dec. 12, 1862.

Ensign Malcolm Wilkinson Stevens, Dec. 27, 1862.

Ensign Charles Theodore Echalar, Jan. 27, 1863.

Ensign William Cunningham Morris, Jan. 27, 1863.

Ensign Charles James Abbott Yates, Jan. 27, 1863.

Ensign George Robinson Bridge Drummond, Jan. 30, 1863.

Ensign William Bowman Seton, March 12, 1863.

NOTE.—The promotions of such of the above officers as have appeared in previous Gazettes are cancelled.

Her Majesty has been pleased to permit the undermentioned officer to resign his commission:—

Capt. Ralph Neufville Taylor, of the Madras staff corps, Oct. 18, 1864.

India-office, March 22, 1865.

Her Majesty has been pleased to approve the undermentioned promotions and alterations of rank amongst the officers of the staff corps, and of her Majesty's Indian military forces:—

BREVET.—BENGAL ARMY.

PROMOTIONS.

To be Lieutenant-Colonels.

Major George Burd Reddie, late 29th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.

Major James Knox Spence, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.

Major John Barrett, late 37th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.

Major William Richardson, c.b., staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.

Major George Jackson, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.

Major Robert John Hawthorne, late 2nd Eur. L.C. Feb. 18, 1861.

Major Stephenson Francis Macmullen, late 3rd Eur. L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.

Major Samuel Richard Tickell, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.

Major Robert Napier Raikes, late 67th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.

Major Peter William Luard, late 55th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.

Major George Verner, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Alexander Boyd, late 2nd Eur. Bengal fusiliers, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Richard Charles Lawrence, c.n., staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Henry Nicoll, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Robert Christopher Tyler, late 38th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Goodricke Armstrong Fisher, late 4th Eur. regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Septimus Harding Beeher, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Charles Harris, late 27th N.I., Feb. 1861.
 Major John Samuel Drury Tulloch, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Lionel Showers, late 14th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Augustus Turner, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Samuel Brougham Faddy, late 36th N.I., Feb. 24, 1861.
 Major John William Carter, late 54th N.I., Feb. 24, 1864.
 Major Charles Fitzroy Miller Mundy, staff corps, March 23, 1861.
 Major Gordon Caulfield, late 46th N.I., March 23, 1861.
 Major Robert Renny, staff corps, March 21, 1861.
 Major Henry Currey James, staff corps, June 12, 1861.
 Major Edward Tuite Dalton, staff corps, June 13, 1861.
 Major James Eardley Gastrell, Dec. 11, 1861.
 Major George Nicolson Oakes, staff corps, Jan. 3, 1862.
 Major John Nelson Thomas, late 39th N.I. Feb. 9, 1862.
 Major Solomon Richards, staff corps, March 8, 1862.
 Major Montagu James Turnbull, staff corps, June 28, 1862.
 Major Samuel Hugh James Davies, staff corps, June 28, 1862.
 Major William Robert Cunningham, late 5th Eur. regt., Jan. 31, 1863.
 Major John Colpoys Haughton, staff corps, Feb. 15, 1863.
 Major Francis Walker Drummond, late 5th Eur. L.C., June 2, 1863.
 Major Deane Christian Shute, late 19th N.I., June 12, 1863.
 Major Alfred Chicheley Plowden, staff corps, June 13, 1863.
 Major Peter Drummond, late 22nd N.I., June 13, 1863.
 Major Peter Henry Knight Dewaal, late 34th N.I., June 13, 1863.
 Major Martin Boileau Whish, late 29th N.I., June 13, 1863.
 Major Joseph Pater Paterson Truscott Hawkey, late 74th N.I., July 18, 1863.
 Major Alexander Robinson, staff corps, Aug. 27, 1863.
 Major Francis Geach Crossman, late 45th N.I., Dec. 11, 1863.
 Major Charles Samuel John Terrot, late 29th N.I., Dec. 11, 1863.
 Major Rowland Rees Mainwaring, late 6th Eur. regt., Dec. 21, 1863.
 Major Richard John Meade, late 65th N.I., March 1, 1864.
 Major George Remington Cookson, late 4th N.I., March 1, 1864.
 Major George Holroyd, late 43rd N.I., March 1, 1864.
 Major Thomas Peach Waterman, late 13th N.I., June 11, 1864.
 Major William John Hicks, late 22nd N.I., Sept. 1, 1864.
 Major James Wilberforce Lewis Bird, late 11th N.I., Sept. 23, 1864.
 To be Majors.
 Capt. George Remington Cookson, late 4th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Joseph Pater Paterson Truscott Hawkey, late 74th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Peter Drummond, late 22nd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Forbes, late 27th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Edward James Simpson, late 69th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. George Gibson Anderson, late 15th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Nelson Thomas, late 39th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Peter Henry Knight Dewaal, late 34th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Jackson, late 39th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.

Capt. Gordon Caulfield, late 46th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Nisbett, late 69th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Scott Phillpotts, late 66th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Theophilus Green, late 48th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Larkins Robertson, late 65th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Alexander Robinson, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Nicholas Carnegie Boswell, late 2nd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Martin Boileau Whish, late 29th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Alexander Sutton Osborn Donaldson, late 45th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Thomas Whittaker Seager, late 27th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. James Price Clarkson, late 44th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Richard Shelton, late 38th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. James Wilberforce Lewis Bird, late 11th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Robert Cunningham, late 5th Eur. regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Mills, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Rowland Rees Mainwaring, late 6th Eur. regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Francis Walker Drummond, late 5th Eur. L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Captain Edward Tulloch, late 69th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Samuel John Terrot, late 29th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. George Holroyd, late 43rd N.I. Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Peach Waterman, late 13th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Brenton Basden, late 61st N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William John Hicks, late 22nd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Need, late 6th Eur. regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Robert Chardwin Wroughton, late 12th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Fullerton, staff corp, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Duncan Twysden, late 33rd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Elliott Young, late 64th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Wredenhall Queiros Pogson, late 43rd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Claye Watson, late 47th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Hugh Lowman Pester, late 63rd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Lenox James Farquharson, late 3rd Eur. L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Evelyn Bradford, late 23rd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Archibald Oliver Wood, late 14th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Edwin Thomas, late 3rd Eur. regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Graydon, late 16th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Andrew Macqueen, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Earl Read, late 50th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Wedderburn, late 69th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Thomas Garstin, late 70th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Thomas Stephenson Hall, late 12th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Richard Nicholas, late 64th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Ward, late 4th Eur. regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Curtis Drury, late 34th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Dumbleton, late 4th Eur. L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Metcalf, late 35th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Henry Lowther, late 52nd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Arthur Walshman Owen, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Dunn Bishop, late 30th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Thomas Ellis Bridgeman Lees, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Frederick Smith, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.

Capt. Albert Balcombe Beatson, late 56th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Rawlins Drew, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. George D'Aguilar, late 4th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Clarke Green, late 60th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Edwin Shuckburgh Denniss, late 62nd N.I., April 2, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Basil Gibbons Bacon, late 3rd Eur. regt., May 24, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Daniel Maunsell, late 62nd N.I., June 11, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Lyons Montgomery, late 65th N.I., June 12, 1861.
 Capt. Holled Wallace Henry Coxe, staff corps, June 12, 1861.
 Capt. Thomas Henry Wilson, late 57th N.I., June 27, 1861.
 Capt. John Anstruther Angus, late 9th N.I., July 15, 1861.
 Capt. John Smith, staff corps, July 29, 1861.
 Capt. George Byres Mainwaring, late 16th N.I., Jan. 8, 1862.
 Capt. Edmund Henry Cullen Wintle, staff corps, Jan. 8, 1862.
 Capt. Edward Norman Perkins, late 14th N.I., Jan. 8, 1862.
 Capt. George Swiney, staff corps, Jan. 30, 1862.
 Capt. Alexander Stewart Allen, staff corps, Feb. 23, 1862.
 Capt. Frederick John Davies, late 58th N.I., March 2, 1862.
 Capt. John Chadwick Dickson, late 33rd N.I., April 7, 1862.
 Capt. Ernest Augustus Murray MacGregor, late 4th Eur. L.C., June 8, 1862.
 Capt. Patrick George Scot, late 12th N.I., June 10, 1862.
 Capt. James Mansfield Nuttall, late 5th Eur. regt., June 10, 1862.
 Capt. Shakespear Sage, late 30th N.I., June 11, 1862.
 Capt. George Huntley Gordon, late 39th N.I., June 11, 1862.
 Capt. George Bruce Malleson, staff corps, June 11, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Hopkins Byers, staff corps, June 12, 1862.
 Capt. Henry Edward Iremonger, late 21st N.I., June 19, 1862.
 Capt. Henry Croker Cuppage, late 15th N.I., June 23, 1862.
 Capt. Jeffreys Edward Lake Willows, late 10th N.I., June 23, 1862.
 Capt. William Irwin, late 49th N.I., July 8, 1862.
 Capt. Edmund Smyth, late 13th N.I., July 10, 1862.
 Capt. Henry Boileau Adolphus Poulton, staff corps, July 10, 1862.
 Capt. Bempde Henry Baugh, staff corps, July 10, 1862.
 Capt. Peter Henry Peck Gill, staff corps, July 25, 1862.
 Capt. Toovey Archibald Corbett, staff corps, July 25, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Frederick Hicks, late 5th Eur. regt., July 25, 1862.
 Capt. William John Ward, staff corps, July 25, 1862.
 Capt. Godfrey Colpoys Bloomfield, late 45th N.I., Aug. 27, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Andrews, late 72nd N.I., Aug. 27, 1862.
 Capt. Robert Alexander Napper, late 55th N.I., Sept. 9, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Reay, late 32nd N.I., Sept. 9, 1862.
 Capt. Edward Thompson, late 4th Eur. regt., Sept. 24, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Stephen Fowle, late 22nd N.I., Sept. 24, 1862.
 Capt. John Marche Earle, late 24th N.I., Dec. 9, 1862.
 Capt. Alexander Mackay Mackenzie, staff corps, Dec. 9, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Irvine, staff corps, Dec. 9, 1862.
 Capt. Felix Vincent Richard Jervis, late 56th N.I., Dec. 10, 1862.
 Capt. Henry King, staff corps, Dec. 10, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Murray, staff corps, Dec. 28, 1862.
 Capt. William Briggs, staff corps, Feb. 17, 1863.
 Capt. John Guyse Sparke, staff corps, Feb. 17, 1863.
 Capt. Edward Smalley, late 36th N.I., Feb. 22, 1863.
 Capt. John Forbes Campbell, late 2nd European Bengal fus., Feb. 25, 1863.
 Capt. Melville Francis Evatt, staff corps, Feb. 25, 1863.

Capt. William Dashwood Hoste, staff corps, April 4, 1863.
 Capt. C. F. Browne, staff corps, May 19, 1863.
 Capt. John James Dansey, late 16th N.I., June 10, 1863.
 Capt. James Sebastian Rawlins, staff corps, June 10, 1863.
 Capt. William Henry Binny, staff corps, June 10, 1863.
 Capt. Samuel Richard John Owen, late 19th N.I., June 20, 1863.
 Capt. George Frederick Frank Vincent, late 30th N.I., June 21, 1863.
 Capt. Henry John Templer, late 5th European regt., July, 10, 1863.
 Capt. Alexander Pond, late 3rd European regt., July 11, 1863.
 Capt. Hugh Grant, late 74th N.I., August 24, 1863.
 Capt. Robert Howard Price, late 31st N.I., Sept. 1, 1863.
 Capt. George Ward, late 5th European L.C., Dec. 1, 1863.
 Capt. Alexander Paterson, staff corps, Dec. 9, 1863.
 Capt. Angelo Edward Osborn, late 45th N.I., Dec. 9, 1863.
 Capt. Robert Farquhar Webster, late 3rd Eur. regt., Dec. 9, 1863.
 Capt. James Thomas Norgate, staff corps, Dec. 9, 1863.
 Capt. Alfred Le Gallais, staff corps, Jan. 1, 1864.
 Capt. John Collings Bonamy, late 32nd N.I., Jan. 1, 1864.
 Capt. Edgar John Spilsbury, staff corps, Jan. 16, 1864.
 Capt. Arthur Elderton, staff corps, Jan. 27, 1864.
 Capt. Arthur Crawford, late 9th N.I., Jan. 27, 1864.
 Capt. Frederick Procter Bailey, late 6th Eur. regt., Feb. 9, 1864.
 Capt. John Richardson Auldjo, late 36th N.I., Feb. 28, 1864.
 Capt. Brooking Loady, late 24th N.I., April 1, 1864.
 Capt. George Veasy Balderston, late 23rd N.I., April 21, 1864.
 Capt. Thomas Wollams Holland, late 38th N.I., June 7, 1864.
 Capt. Elliott Hyndman, late 27th N.I., June 7, 1864.
 Capt. Alexander Irvine, late 24th N.I., June 8, 1864.
 Capt. Robert Cony Whiting, late 70th N.I., June 8, 1864.
 To be Captains.
 Lieut. John Robert Currie, late 4th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Henry Auriol Prinsep, late 4th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. George Corham Huxton, late 48th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Augustus William Bolton, late 50th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Frederic Nicolas Miles, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. James Andrews Monal Biggs, late 10th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. John Brenton Cox, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Charles Vernon Jenkins, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Francis Dashwood Ogilvie, late 46th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Jocelyn Pickard Cambridge, late 2nd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Robert Gordon Rogers, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. John Alfred Brereton, late 33rd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Henry Richard Bradford, late 36th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Frederick William Dunbar, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Calvert Daw Stanley Clarke, late 73rd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Alfred Combe, late 65th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Boyle Torriano Stafford, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Joseph White Orchard, late 33rd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. John Arthur Henry Moore, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. John Grant Sombre Matheson, late 2nd Eur. Bengal fus., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Alexander Andrew Bruce, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Charles Noble McMillin, late 78rd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.

Lieut. Joseph Reay, late 63rd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Robert Durie Griffin, late 64th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Francis Booth Norman, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Richard Edward Oakes, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Newton Barton, late 52nd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Henry Albany Wyndham Waterfield, late 27th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Harry Hammond Lyster, v.c., late 72nd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Edward Humphrey Woodcock, late 55th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Arthur Cory, late 16th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Bruce Nielson Smith, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Francis John Craigie, late 21st N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Robert Ochoncar Hawkins Forbes, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. John Palmer Turton, late 26th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Edward O'Brien Horsford, late 46th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. David Simpson Buist, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Henry Cape Smith, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. Augustus Arthur Currie, late 45th N.I., March 2, 1861.
 Lieut. Robert Stannus Graves, late 66th N.I., March 2, 1861.
 Lieut. James Thompson, late 58th N.I., March 2, 1861.
 Lieut. Dacres William Wise, staff corps, April 14, 1861.
 Lieut. Henry Zouch Darrah, staff corps, June 8, 1861.
 Lieut. William Butler Shawe, late 60th N.I., June 8, 1861.
 Lieut. James Thomas Harris, staff corps, June 27, 1861.
 Lieut. Edward Pitches Wilson Ripley, late 51st N.I., July 20, 1861.
 Lieut. Thomas Norris Baker, late 31st N.I., Sept. 20, 1861.
 Lieut. Henri Campbell, staff corps, Dec. 11, 1861.
 Lieut. John Morland, 1st Eur. Bengal fus., Dec. 11, 1861.
 Lieut. George William Manson, staff corps, Dec. 11, 1861.
 Lieut. William Alexander Garden, late 39th N.I., Dec. 11, 1861.
 Lieut. Beauchamp Colclough Urquhart, staff corps, Dec. 11, 1861.
 Lieut. Richard Henry Wall, late 16th N.I., Dec. 11, 1861.
 Lieut. William Gordon, late 47th N.I., Dec. 12, 1861.
 Lieut. Thomas Buttanshaw, late 28th N.I., Dec. 12, 1861.
 Lieut. Henry Macdonald, late 19th N.I., Dec. 20, 1861.
 Lieut. William Jackson, staff corps, Dec. 20, 1861.
 Lieut. Henry Vincent Mathias, staff corps, Dec. 20, 1861.
 Lieut. Francis Whitworth Russell, late 3rd Eur. L.C., Dec. 20, 1861.
 Lieut. William Playfair, late 4th N.I., Dec. 20, 1861.
 Lieut. John Hobart Tyler, late 20th N.I., Dec. 20, 1861.
 Lieut. Henry Inglis, late 41st N.I., Jan. 20, 1862.
 Lieut. Melmoth Alaster Douglas Orchard, late 3rd Eur. regt., Jan. 21, 1862.
 Lieut. John Angelo, staff corps, Feb. 7, 1862.
 Lieut. Charles William Fletcher, staff corps, Feb. 20, 1862.
 Lieut. James John Russell, late 46th N.I., March 3, 1862.
 Lieut. Thomas Gally Ross, late 21st N.I., March 20, 1862.
 Lieut. William Lowndes Randall, late 59th N.I., June 14, 1862.
 Lieut. James Trevenen, staff corps, June 14, 1862.
 Lieut. William Cabell, late 62nd N.I., June 26, 1862.
 Lieut. Ambrose Dawson Jennings, late 2nd Eur. L.C., July 4, 1862.
 Lieut. Frederick Augustus Buckley, late 37th N.I., July 17, 1862.
 Lieut. George Bowen Cassan Simpson, late 23rd N.I., Dec. 9, 1862.

Lieut. Lawrence Henry Williams, late 5th Eur. regt., Dec. 10, 1862.
 Lieut. Thomas Edward Vander Gucht, staff corps, Dec. 20, 1862.
 Lieut. Clarence Comyn Taylor, late 56th N.I., Dec. 20, 1862.
 Lieut. Brooke Rynd Chambers, staff corps, Dec. 20, 1862.
 Lieut. William Edward Russell Roberts, late 54th N.I., Dec. 20, 1862.
 Lieut. William Phaire, late 54th N.I., Jan. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Lionel Henry Planta DeHocheplid Larpent, late 21st N.I., Jan. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Thomas Martin Shelley, late 11th N.I., Jan. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Frederick Macnaghten Armstrong, late 4th Eur. regt., Jan. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Alexander Howe Bramley, late 44th N.I., Jan. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Francis Henry Massey Sitwell, staff corps, Jan. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Archibald Edwards Campbell, late 31st N.I., Jan. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Thomas James Watson, staff corps, Feb. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Mansfeldt George Smith, late 59th N.I., April 10, 1863.
 Lieut. Henry Foord Bamford, late 38th N.I., May 3, 1863.
 Lieut. William Siddons Young, late 59th N.I., June 13, 1863.
 Lieut. William Pemberton Fisher, late 4th Eur. regt., June 13, 1863.
 Lieut. Willoughby Charles Stanley Clarke, late 37th N.I., June 13, 1863.
 Lieut. Gavin Dring Crawford, late 18th N.I., June 14, 1863.
 Lieut. Thomas Walter Rutherford, staff corps, June 14, 1863.
 Lieut. Willoughby Henry Garton, staff corps, June 14, 1863.
 Lieut. Cornelius Richardes, late 63rd N.I., Aug. 26, 1863.
 Lieut. Edwin Archibald Chester Lambert, late 1st Eur. Bengal fus., Dec. 12, 1863.
 Lieut. James Thomson, late 34th N.I., Dec. 12, 1863.
 Lieut. Frederick Jervis Ripley, staff corps, Dec. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Richard Manuel Sewell, staff corps, Dec. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Frederick Thomas Bainbridge, late 64th N.I., Jan. 20, 1864.
 Lieut. George Vincent Fosbery, late 4th Eur. regt., Jan. 20, 1864.
 Lieut. Francis Hollowell Inglefield, late 38th N.I., Feb. 20, 1864.
 Lieut. Mark Kerr St. John, late 49th N.I., March 1, 1864.
 Lieut. Douglas George Manning, late 52nd N.I., June 12, 1864.
 Lieut. Edward Richard Cumberland Wilcox, late 4th Eur. regt., June 13, 1864.
 Lieut. Henry Robert Brown Worsley, late 47th N.I., June 13, 1864.
 Lieut. Edmund Yeamans Walcott, late 57th N.I., June 20, 1864.
 Lieut. Alexander McLeod Stewart, late 64th N.I., June 20, 1864.
 Lieut. John Charles Campbell Daunt, v.c., late 70th N.I., July 20, 1864.
 Lieut. Hardress Edmond Waller, late 40th N.I., Aug. 10, 1864.
 Lieut. Alfred Whiting, late 59th N.I., Aug. 26, 1864.
 Lieut. Rowland Smith, late 59th N.I., Aug. 26, 1864.
 Lieut. Alexander Bruce, late 28th N.I., Oct. 20, 1864.

MADRAS. PROMOTIONS.

To be Lieutenant Colonels from dates stated.
 Lieut. col. Andrew John Kelso, 3rd L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. George Sturrock, 11th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Joseph Fisher Stevens, 12th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Albert Henry Andrew Hervey, 40th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. William Frederick Eden, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Arthur Wyndham, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Francis Henry Scott, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. George William Russell, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.

- Lieut. col. Henry Man, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. John White, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Alexander Tod, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Alexander John Greenlow, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. the Hon. Hugh Arbuthnott, 3rd regt. L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major John Wilson, 26th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Annes'ey Knox Gore, 29th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Molyneux Capel Spottiswoode, 24th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major William Vine, late 6th L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. William John Cooke, 8th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Henry David Innes, late 47th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major William George Owen, 11th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Richard Andrew Doria, 28th N.I., Feb. 24, 1861.
 Lieut. col. William Charles Robertson Macdonald, staff corps, Feb. 24, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Anthony Robert Thornhill, staff corps, April 27, 1861.
 Major Robert Wooley, 28th N.I., June 13, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Francis Faithful Warden, 34th N.I., June 13, 1861.
 Major George William Peyton, 25th N.I., Jan. 17, 1862.
 Lieut. col. Henry Dyett Abbott, c.b., staff corps, Feb. 9, 1862.
 Lieut. col. Sisley John Batten, staff corps, June 10, 1862.
 Major Robert Sym Wilson, late 52nd N.I., Dec. 18, 1862.
 Lieut. col. William Thomas Williams, 32nd N.I., Dec. 18, 1862.
 Major George Harkness, 25th N.I., Dec. 18, 1862.
 Lieut. col. Thomas Clerk, staff corps, Jan. 10, 1863.
 Lieut. col. John Henry Melville Babington, staff corps, Jan. 10, 1863.
 Lieut. col. Charles Campbell McCallum, staff corps, Jan. 13, 1863.
 Lieut. col. Thomas Greenaway, staff corps, Jan. 10, 1863.
 Major Francis Young, staff corps, Feb. 15, 1863.
 Major Charles John Fullerton, 11th N.I., May 24, 1863.
 Lieut. col. Montague Cholmeley, 27th N.I., June 12, 1863.
 Major Horatio Edward Walpole, 16th N.I., June 13, 1863.
 Major Frederick Charles Barber, 29th N.I., June 13, 1863.
 Major Charles Preston Molony, 25th N.I., Dec. 11, 1863.
 Major James Douglas Dale, 40th N.I., Dec. 21, 1863.
 Major Montague Thomas Ffrench, 34th L.I., Dec. 21, 1863.
 Major Alfred Fox Place, 34th N.I., Dec. 21, 1863.
 Major Robert Shedden Dobbie, 39th N.I., Jan. 11, 1864.
 Major Robert Jones, 3rd N.I., Jan. 11, 1864.
 Major William Scott Simpson, late 48th N.I., Jan. 11, 1864.
 Major John Murray Macgregor, late 6th L.C., March 1, 1864.
 Major James Cadenhead, 14th N.I., March 1, 1864.
 Major Richard Western, late 44th N.I., March 1, 1864.
 Major Charles Osbaldiston Lukin, 41st N.I., March 11, 1864.
 Major Walter Swinton, 6th N.I., April 18, 1864.
 Major Alfred Cooper, late 46th N.I., April 29, 1864.
 Major John Daniel, late 16th N.I., June 12, 1864.
 Major Benjamin Hodson, 7th N.I., June 12, 1864.
- To be Majors, from dates stated.
 Lieut. col. Alexander Kennedy Clarke Kennedy, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major George Baldock, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Henry David Innes, late 47th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Hugh Heefke O'Connell, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Charles Philip Taylor, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major William Dacres Stanley, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Horatio Edward Walpole, 16th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major William John Doveton, 36th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
- Major Robert Sym Wilson, late 52nd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major William George Owen, 11th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. William John Tweedie, 35th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. William Thomas Williams, 32nd regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. William Henry Watts, 5th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major James Douglas Dale, 40th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major James Cadenhead, 14th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Richard Western, 44th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major George Markham Carter, late 1st Madras fusiliers, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Charles Philip Yorke Triscott, late 43rd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Charles Pulley, late 50th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Ezekiel Gage, 15th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Groeme Auchmutty Fulton, late 2nd Eur. L.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Charles Osbaldiston Lukin, 41st N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Archibald Hugh Hope, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. John Jones Brine, 4th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Kenneth Macaulay, 23rd L.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Lauchlan Macalister Mackenzie, 33rd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. George Harkness, 25th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles John Fullerton, 11th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major John Curtis, 8th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Preston Molony, 25th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Montague Thomas Ffrench, 34th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Alfred Fox Place, 34th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Scott Simpson, late 48th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Francis Albany Brooking, 13th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. George Francis Luard, 37th grenadiers, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Walter Swinton, 6th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Alfred Cooper, late 46th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Christian Disaut Grant, 11th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. George Paxton, late 44th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles William Taylor, 13th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles John Bradley, 24th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Thomas Comyn Ansley, 9th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Alexander Riach, 12th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John James Jenkins, 26th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Francis Mardall, 16th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Hornidge, 24th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Cornwallis Phillips, 44th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Francis Mitchell Haultain, 3rd L.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Charles Rich, late 46th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. James Robert Fulton, late 46th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Lewis Grant, 32nd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Arthur Noel Hill Lynch, 19th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major William Roche Broome, late 49th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Hayes Abdy, late 5th L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Groeme Hastings Atkinson, late 42nd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Edward Henry Bloomfield, 7th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. George Thomas Dick, 3rd L.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Richard Godfrey Jones, 2nd L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Stevens Davis, 15th N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Astell William Drayner, late 43rd N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Alexander Cannan, 22nd N.I., Feb. 27, 1861.
 Major James William Stubbs, staff corps, Feb. 27, 1861.
 Capt. Augustus Prichard, 28th N.I., Feb. 27, 1861.
- Major James Gathorne Cookson, late 8th L.C., April 2, 1861.
 Capt. James Orr, 27th N.I., May 2, 1861.
 Capt. Fleetwood Pellew Drury, 20th N.I., June 12, 1861.
 Capt. William James Jones, 4th N.I., Aug. 11, 1861.
 Capt. John Wellwood Rutherford, late 47th N.I., Aug. 11, 1861.
 Major Edward Augustus Saunders, staff corps, Aug. 14, 1861.
 Capt. Ernest Metcalfe, late 48th N.I., Sept. 1, 1861.
 Capt. Algernon Hyndman Gordon, late 52nd N.I., Sept. 5, 1861.
 Capt. William Calcott Clarke, 2nd regt. L.C., Oct. 3, 1861.
 Major Francis Lane Magniac, staff corps, Dec. 23, 1861.
 Capt. John Floyd Alexander Plant, 4th N.I., Dec. 23, 1861.
 Capt. William Edward White, 30th N.I., Jan. 8, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Hight, 18th N.I., Jan. 8, 1862.
 Capt. Whitshed Keene Hawkins, 40th N.I., Jan. 30, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Thomas Harkness, 4th N.I., Jan. 30, 1862.
 Capt. Francis Wynne Alexander Robson, 20th N.I., Jan. 30, 1862.
 Capt. George Atkinson, 6th N.I., Jan. 30, 1862.
 Capt. Alfred Louis Rishton, 1st N.I., Feb. 3, 1862.
 Capt. Charles George Henry Coote, late 52nd N.I., Feb. 3, 1862.
 Capt. William Shield Kenney, 27th N.I., Feb. 8, 1862.
 Capt. John Shand, late 51st N.I., Feb. 6, 1862.
 Capt. James Flint, 38th N.I., March 3, 1862.
 Capt. William Sydney Smith Mulcaster, late 6th L.C., March 3, 1862.
 Capt. George Pringle, 35th N.I., March 9, 1862.
 Capt. John Beddingfield Knockner, 40th N.I., April 5, 1862.
 Capt. Charles William Dunn, late 43rd N.I., June 10, 1862.
 Major William Power Stuart Smyth, staff corps, June 11, 1862.
 Capt. Richard Short Couchman, 12th N.I., June 11, 1862.
 Capt. Henry Dixon, 22nd N.I., June 11, 1862.
 Capt. Henry Dornberg Faulkner, 42nd N.I., June 11, 1862.
 Capt. Thomas John Huddleston Keyes, 17th N.I., June 11, 1862.
 Capt. Arthur Sage, late 52nd N.I., June 11, 1862.
 Capt. William Napper Pace, 6th N.I., June 11, 1862.
 Capt. John Jeffreys Fulton, staff corps, June 11, 1862.
 Capt. Lodge Redmond de Montmorency Hutchison, 20th N.I., June 11, 1862.
 Capt. William Herbert Cuning, 1st N.I., June 12, 1862.
 Capt. Percy Lee Holmes, 17th N.I., June 12, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Crawford Mason, late 48th N.I., June 19, 1862.
 Capt. Vincent John Shortland, 24th N.I., June 19, 1862.
 Capt. William Serres, late 51st N.I., Aug. 10, 1862.
 Capt. Percy Scudamore Cunningham, 3rd N.I., Aug. 10, 1862.
 Major Augustus Becker Marsack, staff corps, Aug. 20, 1862.
 Capt. Jonas Barclay, late 8th L.C., Aug. 20, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Doveton Wetherall Seafield Grant, late 50th N.I., Aug. 20, 1862.
 Capt. Jermy Charles West, 11th N.I., Aug. 20, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Scott Elliot, staff corps, Aug. 29, 1862.
 Capt. William Graves, 25th N.I., Aug. 29, 1862.
 Major William George Frederick Andrew Hutchison, staff corps, Dec. 28, 1862.
 Major George Lowers Hilliard, staff corps, Dec. 28, 1862.
 Major De Symons Barrow, staff corps, Dec. 28, 1862.
 Capt. James Roper Boswall, late 51st N.I., Dec. 28, 1862.
 Capt. J. Morison Foote, 29th N.I., Dec. 28, 1862.
 Major Arthur Drury, staff corps, Jan. 30, 1863.
 Major Archibald Duncan McDougall, 3rd Madras Europeans, Jan. 30, 1863.

Capt. Thomas Drever, late 2nd Eur. L.I., Jan. 30, 1863.
 Capt. George Wolff Whitehead, 23rd L.I., Feb. 22, 1863.
 Lieut.-Col. George Travis Radcliffe, late 7th L.C., Feb. 25, 1863.
 Capt. Alexander Bereford Read, 12th N.I., March 1, 1863.
 Capt. Robert Henry Bolton, staff corps, March 2, 1863.
 Capt. Arthur Chauncy Phillips, 36th N.I., April 24, 1863.
 Capt. Alexander Grant, 3rd L.C., May 22, 1863.
 Capt. Charles Frederick Gilbertson, late 3rd Madras Eur. regt., June 10, 1863.
 Capt. John Henry Lyte Kerr, 26th N.I., June 10, 1863.
 Major Augustus George William Burn, staff corps, Sept. 1, 1863.
 Capt. George Sutherland Simson, late 5th L.C., Sept. 13, 1863.
 Capt. George Herbert Murray Aynesley, late 6th L.C., Sept. 13, 1863.
 Capt. Hugh Lindsay Christie, 10th N.I., Dec. 9, 1863.
 Capt. John Trist Clarke, 34th L.I., Dec. 9, 1863.
 Capt. Henry Clyde Fletcher, 8th N.I., March 4, 1864.
 Capt. Charles William Cox, 1st regt. N.I., March 4, 1864.
 Capt. Henry Imlach Bett, staff corps, March 5, 1864.
 Capt. Trevor Cotton Bird, 36th regt. N.I., June 8, 1864.
 Capt. Patrick Torry Sims, 6th N.I., June 8, 1864.
 Capt. George Charles Finlay, 12th N.I., June 29, 1864.
 Capt. Francis Dawson, staff corps, July 26, 1864.
 Capt. John Hobroyd Doveton, 3rd L.C., August 8, 1864.
 To be Captains from dates stated.
 Capt. Francis Jeffrey Millar, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Robert Sutton Burge, late 3rd Madras Eur. regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Reynolds Stephen James Prendergast, 2nd regt. L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Samuel Galbraith, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Barrington Frederick Heysham, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Daniel Chapman, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Duval, late 50th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Shuckburgh Hearn, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Henry Greenwell Palmer, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Edward Adolphe Mottet, late 42nd regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Christopher Hellyer Beddek, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. George Bligh Bowen, late 48th regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Robert Rodney Stuart, late 7th regt. L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. James David Leighton Campbell, 23rd regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Macfarlane Norris, late 2nd Eur. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John George Henry Philipps, 41st regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Munro, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Percy Crossman, 41st regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Alexander Ruxton McMahon, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Edward Ryves, 19th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Philip Pedler, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Henry Robinson Godfrey, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Clifford Henry Meham, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles James, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Arthur Matcham Davis, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Robert Blair Kennedy, 23rd regt. L.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Metcalfe Hailes, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Sheridan Blackwood Walton, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Douglas Standen, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.

Lieut. James Evan Baillie, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Kincaid, 22nd regt. N.I., March 8, 1861.
 Capt. William George Malcolm Strickland, late 49th regt. N.I., March 8, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Hooper Foord, staff corps, June 9, 1861.
 Capt. Frank Horsley, late 6th regt. L.C., Nov. 20, 1861.
 Capt. Lancelot Henry Izacke, late 2nd Eur. L.I., Dec. 11, 1861.
 Lieut. Fitz James Holmes Burnes, 33rd regt. N.I., Dec. 11, 1861.
 Lieut. Frederick Thomas Miller, 16th regt. N.I., Dec. 11, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Daniel Cloete, 16th regt. N.I., Dec. 12, 1861.
 Capt. Forster Frederick Robert Bishop, 38th regt. N.I., Dec. 12, 1861.
 Capt. John Dunscomb Vallance, staff corps, Dec. 12, 1861.
 Capt. Richard Augustus Chadwick, 5th regt. N.I., Dec. 12, 1861.
 Lieut. Arthur Thaddeus Searle, 32nd regt. N.I., Dec. 12, 1861.
 Capt. Henry John Egmont Teed, staff corps, Dec. 20, 1861.
 Lieut. Alexander Drury, late 51st regt. N.I., Dec. 26, 1861.
 Lieut. Edwin Thomas Wiseman Price, 30th regt. N.I., Jan. 20, 1862.
 Capt. John William Orr, 19th regt. N.I., Jan. 20, 1862.
 Lieut. Frederick Gadsden, 4th regt. N.I., Jan. 21, 1862.
 Capt. Robert Arthur Walter Charles Stuart, 17th regt. N.I., Feb. 16, 1862.
 Capt. Joseph Johnstone Muir, late 49th, regt. N.I., March 9, 1862.
 Capt. George Vambrugh Law, 14th regt. N.I., June 14, 1862.
 Lieut. Alfred Charles Forth, 14th regt. N.I., July 20, 1862.
 Lieut. John Fitz Charles Lock Harris, 14th regt. N.I., Dec. 10, 1862.
 Lieut. John Alfred Ellis, 8th regt. N.I., Dec. 10, 1862.
 Capt. George Nesbitt Stephens, 31st regt. N.I., Dec. 20, 1862.
 Lieut. Thomas Wakefield, 33rd regt. N.I., Jan. 11, 1863.
 Lieut. George Stedman, 23rd regt. N.I., Jan. 11, 1863.
 Capt. Alexander Asdell Gordon, late 7th regt. L.C., Jan. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. John William Aitchison, late 46th regt. L.C., Jan. 20, 1863.
 Capt. Seafeld Faulkland Murray Treasure Grant, late 47th regt. N.I., Jan. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Henry Crosby Barry Barnett, 44th regt. N.I., Feb. 10, 1863.
 Lieut. William George Ward, 36th regt. N.I., Feb. 10, 1863.
 Capt. George Carr Hodding, 20th regt. N.I., Feb. 10, 1863.
 Lieut. Richard John Corbett, 38th regt. N.I., Feb. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Robert Henry Cunliffe, staff corps, June 13, 1863.
 Lieut. Frederick William Dobree, staff corps, June 13, 1863.
 Lieut. Richard Smith Gray, 16th regt. N.I., June 13, 1863.
 Capt. Evelyn, Meadows Norie, staff corps, June 16, 1863.
 Lieut. Frederick Bannerman Phillips, 22nd regt. N.I., June 16, 1863.
 Lieut. Alexander William Crawford Lindsay, 30th regt. N.I., Aug. 26, 1863.
 Lieut. George Cuthbert Marsh, 28th regt. N.I., Dec. 12, 1863.
 Lieut. George Washbourne Williams, staff corps, Jan. 20, 1864.
 Lieut. John Clinton Whish Bruce, late 48th regt. N.I., Feb. 20, 1864.
 Lieut. Wheatley Robertson, 5th regt. N.I., Feb. 20, 1864.
 Lieut. Edward Hill Ratcliff Chambers, 30th regt. N.I., Feb. 26, 1864.
 Lieut. Even Maclean, 8th regt. N.I., Feb. 26, 1864.
 Lieut. Robert Algernon Waters, late 50th regt. N.I., April 11, 1864.
 Lieut. Henry St. Maur Wynch, 31st regt. L.I., June 12, 1864.
 Lieut. Richard Griffith, 2nd regt. N.I., June 18, 1864.

ALTERATIONS OF BREVET RANK.

Lieut. col. Richard Stewart Dobbs, staff corps, to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. William George Woods, staff corps, to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Raymond Torin Snow, staff corps, to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. John Kitson, late 45th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Edward Every Miller, staff corps, to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Edward William Boudier, late 51st N.I., to take rank from March 8, 1862.
 Major Molyneux Capel Spottiswoode, 24th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Montague Cholmeley, 27th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major William Vine, 6th L.C., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Francis Young, staff corps, to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major William John Cooke, 8th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Robert Jones, 3rd N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Frederick Charles Barber, 29th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major John Daniel, 16th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Benjamin Hodson, 7th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Linneus Tripe, 12th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Charles Edward Taylor, 35th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 15, 1862.
 Major Cecil Nicholls, 5th N.I., to take rank from Aug. 12, 1862.
 Capt. Francis D'Arcy, 32nd N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Richard William Daunt, 25th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Robert Fairlie, late 6th L.C., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Edward Gervase Campbell, late 51st N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Augustus Hall Cooke, 21st N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Coulson Frederick Joseph Skottowe, 2nd N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Thomas Francis Jekin Russell, late 43rd N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Edwin Gardner Ingram, 24th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Patrick Plunkett Leslie Stafford, 34th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Cunningham, 28th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Thomas Reynolds Griffith, late 48th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Adam Hugh Montgomery Dickey, 2nd N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Corbett Taylor, 1st N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Patrick Salter, 4th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Samuel Crawford Montgomery, 3rd N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Rowland Farrer, 21st N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Alexander Gordon Duff, 36th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Augustus Robert Townshend Passingham, 29th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Melish Parratt, 12th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Theophilus Leslie Scott, 19th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Osborn, 30th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Josiah Hudleston, 41st N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Charles La Blanc Newberry, late 51st N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Dashwood Charles Gordon Strettell, 13th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William George Grove, 32nd N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Henry Lawrence Fuller, 4th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Robert Comyn Lavie, 3rd N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Selwyn New, 33rd N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Edward Cave, 7th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Thomas O'Neill, 6th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.

Capt. William Wilson Mercer, 7th N.I., to take rank from Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Swiney, 32nd N.I., to take rank from April 12, 1861.
 Capt. Rupert Thomas Snow, 7th N.I., to take rank from June 8, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Julian Ralph Bell, 6th N.I., to take rank from June 9, 1861.
 Capt. Wilfred Hudleston, 2nd N.I., to take rank from June 13, 1861.

BOMBAY.

To be Lieutenant colonels, from the dates stated.

Lieut. col. Edward Patrick Lynch, 18th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Robert Wallace, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Robert James Shaw, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Burdett Richard Powell, 26th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Robert Richards 3rd regt. N.I., Nov. 13, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Edward Charles Beale, 22nd regt. N.I., Dec. 11, 1861.
 Lieut. col. Charles Robert West Harvey, c.b., staff corps, Dec. 11, 1861.
 Lieut. col. D'Oyly Trevor Compton, staff corps, Dec. 21, 1861.
 Lieut. col. John Turnly Barr, staff corps, Jan. 17, 1862.
 Lieut. col. Christopher Palmer Rigby, staff corps, Jan. 18, 1862.
 Lieut. col. Henry Augustus Adams, 13th regt. N.I., Feb. 7, 1862.
 Lieut. col. George Alexander Leckie, staff corps, Feb. 7, 1862.
 Lieut. col. Thomas Alexander Cowper, staff corps, March 9, 1861.
 Major Charles Fortunatus Grant, 8rd regt. N.I., June 10, 1862.
 Lieut. col. John Crosbie Graves, 3rd regt. L.C., Nov. 27, 1862.
 Lieut. col. Charles Malcolm Barrow, staff corps, Jan. 19, 1863.
 Major William Ashburner, 3rd regt. L.C., Jan. 19, 1863.
 Lieut. col. Daniel Boyd, 11th regt. N.I., Jan. 19, 1863.
 Major William Malcolm Leckie, 13th regt. N.I., Dec. 12, 1863.
 Lieut. col. William Wilkinson Taylor, 5th regt. N.I., Feb. 13, 1864.
 Lieut. col. Edward Hope Smith Bowdich, 26th regt. N.I., March 1, 1864.
 Major James John Combe, 18th regt. N.I., June 11, 1864.

To be Majors, from the dates stated.

Major Evan Murray MacGregor, 2nd regt. L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Cadman Hodgkinson, 28th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major John Pogson, 17th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major George Uvedale Price, late 37th European regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Richard Jones Edgerley, late 29th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major John Peyton, 23rd regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Montagu John Battye, late 31st regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Henry Shewell, late 2nd European regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Jonathan Augustus Spry Faulknor, 6th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Edward Thompson, 8th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Walter Fergus Anderson, 11th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Guillum Scott, 22nd regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Legh Cahusac, 11th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major Walter Montriou, 24th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Ross Balfour Moore, 3rd regt. L.C., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Henry Ebenezer Jacob, 18th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Ewen Grant, 3rd regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Augustus Neale, 3rd regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Henry John Day, 19th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Major St. John O'Neill Muter, 2nd gren. regt. N.I., March 18, 1861.
 Capt. Howden Trapaud Briggs, 6th regt. N.I., July 2, 1861.

Capt. John Daniel Williams, 28th regt. N.I., July 14, 1861.
 Capt. Edwin Luddington Scott, staff corps, July 25, 1861.
 Capt. John Bates, 8th regt. N.I., Dec. 4, 1861.
 Capt. Thomas Tristram Piers, late 29th regt. N.I., Dec. 10, 1861.
 Capt. Walter Edward McPherson, 24th regt. N.I., Dec. 11, 1861.
 Capt. Thomas Darling Ker, 6th regt. N.I., Jan. 30, 1862.
 Capt. George McBain Barnes Farquharson, 20th regt. N.I., Jan. 30, 1862.
 Major John Langston, 4th regt. N.I., June 11, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Mardon Wallace James, 6th regt. N.I., June 11, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Thompson, late 2nd Eur. regt., June 18, 1862.
 Major Francis Edward Francis, 14th regt. N.I., June 24, 1862.
 Capt. John Henry Reynolds, 17th regt. N.I., July 2, 1862.
 Major Hamilton Robert Hathway, staff corps, July 16, 1862.
 Major George Davison, staff corps, Sept. 4, 1862.
 Capt. Evelyn Waddington, 23rd regt. N.I., Dec. 9, 1862.
 Capt. Henry Yelverton Beale, 12th regt. N.I., Dec. 10, 1862.
 Capt. Alfred Becher, 8th regt. N.I., Dec. 22, 1862.
 Capt. Hugh George Robinson, late 3rd Eur. regt., Jan. 31, 1863.
 Major James Edward Westropp, staff corps, Feb. 1, 1863.
 Major Frederick Stafford Hewett, staff corps, June 9, 1863.
 Capt. James Campbell, 22nd regt. N.I., June 9, 1863.
 Capt. Henry George Raverty, 3rd regt. N.I., June 28, 1863.
 Capt. Charles Scott Jessop, late 2nd Eur. regt., Aug. 1, 1863.
 Capt. William Rice, 25th regt. N.I., Aug. 26, 1863.
 Capt. Isaac Tertius Nicholson, 23rd regt. N.I., Sept. 1, 1863.
 Capt. Benjamin Robert Whittaker, late 2nd Eur. regt., Sept. 5, 1863.
 Capt. William Walker, 1st gren. regt. N.I., Dec. 9, 1863.
 Capt. Robert Deey Hassard, late 2nd Eur. regt., Jan. 1, 1864.
 Capt. Alexander Young Sinclair, 26th regt. N.I., Feb. 1, 1864.
 Capt. George Leslie Thomson, 26th regt. N.I., Feb. 15, 1864.
 Captain William Thomas Bowen, 16th regt. N.I., June 8, 1864.
 Capt. James Blair, v.c., 2nd regt. Light Cavalry, June 10, 1864.

To be captains, from dates stated.

Capt. Samuel Joseph Thorp, late 3rd Eur. regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Edmund King, late 1st Eur. regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Dickinson, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Herbert Frederick Disbrowe, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Henry Mason, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. James Torrington Newall, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Lewin Sheppard, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Masson Boyd, 11th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. James Clements, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Ernest Augustus Green, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Payne Barras, late 29th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Robert Burd, 10th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Arthur Palmer Davis, late 3rd Eur. regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John Barnes, late 3rd Eur. regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Alfred Glaspoole, 4th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Richard Johnstone, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Alfred George Plomer, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. George Forbes Hogg, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.

Capt. Charles James Richardson, 8th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Frederick William Knight, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Percival Hodgson, 22nd regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Alexander Fergusson, late 2nd Eur. regt., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Alexander Hawthorn, 9th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. John James Elder, 6th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Mathew Lewis, staff corps, Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Edward Newnam Marsh, 18th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Alfred Phillips, late 29th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. Sidney Cousens, 13th regt. N.I., Feb. 18, 1861.
 Capt. William Blackeney, staff corps, Feb. 24, 1861.
 Capt. Charles Owen Lord, 13th regt. N.I., Feb. 24, 1861.
 Capt. Newman Burfoot Thoyts, staff corps, June 9, 1861.
 Capt. John Durham Hall, 4th regt. N.I., June 12, 1861.
 Lieut. Frank Charteris Davidson, 19th regt. N.I., Aug. 20, 1861.
 Capt. Devereux Henry Hickman, 5th regt. N.I., Dec. 11, 1861.
 Capt. Thomas Rose Nimmo, 28th regt. N.I., Dec. 11, 1861.
 Capt. William Atherton Park, late 3rd Eur. regt., Dec. 11, 1861.
 Capt. Randle Parker Mainwaring, 20th regt. N.I., Dec. 12, 1861.
 Capt. Cecil Willoughby Wigney, staff corps, Dec. 26, 1861.
 Capt. Francis William Brown, staff corps, Jan. 20, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Henry Hunter Forbes, 14th regt. N.I., Jan. 31, 1862.
 Lieut. John Pyne Forbes, 3rd regt. N.I., Jan. 31, 1862.
 Capt. James Alexander Ramsay, 5th regt. N.I., Feb. 20, 1862.
 Lieut. Frederick William Jones, 18th regt. N.I., March 20, 1862.
 Lieut. Arthur Thomas Moore, v.c., 3rd regt. L.C., July 29, 1862.
 Lieut. Oriel Viveash Tanner, 18th regt. N.I., Aug. 19, 1862.
 Capt. Charles Henry Clay, staff corps, Aug. 24, 1862.
 Lieut. Peregrine Powell Peart Fenwick, 25th regt. N.I., Aug. 24, 1862.
 Lieut. James Arthur Gayer, late 2nd Eur. regt., Dec. 10, 1862.
 Lieut. Stewart Fellows, 5th N.I., Dec. 10, 1862.
 Capt. George Ralph Collier Westropp, staff corps, Dec. 20, 1862.
 Lieut. William Thomas Mills, 25th N.I., Jan. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Lester Horatio Sibthorpe, 9th N.I., Jan. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. Robert Russell Woodhouse, late 30th regt. N.I., June 13, 1863.
 Lieut. Alfred Utterson, late 2nd Eur. regt., Dec. 12, 1863.
 Lieut. John Rootsey Strutt, staff corps, Dec. 20, 1863.
 Lieut. James Patrick Murray Newton, 11th N.I., Dec. 20, 1863.
 Capt. George Shedden Hawthorn, 24th N.I., Feb. 20, 1864.
 Lieut. Francis James Thomas Ross, staff corps, June 13, 1864.

TELEGRAPHIC FRAUDS.—Two signallers in the Calcutta Telegraphic Office were arrested by the police, under suspicion of using telegraphic messages. One message from Bombay conveyed an order on a mercantile firm here for the payment of Rs. 15,000 to a certain party. A similar message for the payment of Rs. 700 came from Madras, and a third from Chittagong for Rs. 800. All these messages, instead of being delivered to the parties for whom they were intended, are said to have been made use of by the signallers under arrest, and the same appropriated among themselves. The results of the police investigations have not yet transpired.—*Indian Daily News.*

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HIGH COURT CRIMINAL PROCEDURE BILL.

THE report of the select committee of the Governor-General's council touching Mr. Maine's Bill to amend the procedure of her Majesty's High Courts of Judicature in the exercise of their original criminal jurisdiction, is a document of sufficient importance to be summarised for the benefit of those whose newspaper reading does not extend to the official *Gazette of India*. In considering the provisions of this Bill, the committee first direct their attention to the proposed abolition of the Grand Jury institution, that incidental clause having created so great an excitement among the non-official European residents in Bengal. They especially allude to certain remarks which appear in the report of the Indian Law Commissioners, and which were decidedly opposed to the intervention of the Grand Jury between the magistrate and the sessions judge, as being unlikely to be properly understood by the great mass of the native community. They further admit that in Madras the abolition of Grand Juries has been approved by the Grand Jury of that Presidency as well as by the High Court; and that in Bombay the only dissentient on the Bench was the Chief Justice. And in both those cities the majority, not only of natives, but of Europeans, is believed to be well affected towards the doing away of an institution so singularly destitute of the *couleur locale*. Besides, there is one very cogent reason against its introduction into the interior, and that is the absence of jurymen of foreign extraction. But the really important feature of the contemplated measure is the facility afforded for the trial of European offenders within a reasonable distance of the scene of the offence. Hitherto it has been necessary to send all European or American criminals to the respective Presidency towns to stand their trial, regardless of the waste of time and money, and the consequent disposition on the part of the individuals aggrieved to put up with the first loss, rather than incur

a greater one coupled with much personal annoyance and inconvenience. For the future, however, if this Bill becomes law, if a magistrate finds grounds for committing a European British subject, he will, first of all, send a copy of the charge and of the depositions to the High Court, which will at once communicate with the Government to ascertain if there is any possibility of a commission being issued so as to enable the accused to be tried within a reasonable time. Should there be no apparent likelihood of this happening, the prisoner will be forwarded, as at present, to the Presidency town. This provision is, however, only a temporary one, but is necessitated by the want of proper accommodation for European prisoners in the Mofussil jails. The absence of sufficient means of communication with the principal cities in the interior will further tend, for a time, to prevent the regular or more frequent despatch of judges on circuit. Until, therefore, jail deliveries can be effected at fixed periods, with not too long an interval between, the commitment of European offenders for local trial will not take place as a matter of course, whatever may be the case hereafter. The code of criminal procedure, it is further stated, will be considerably modified when administered by a judge of the High Court; that is, it will be closely assimilated to that which prevails in the Presidency towns. The judge will be always assisted, or impeded, by a jury. As to the number of jurors, the committee prefer nine, deciding by a majority of two-thirds; but nevertheless recommend the retention of the "familiar number of twelve, the verdict to be carried either by unanimity among the jurors, or by a majority consisting of nine, in the event of the judge concurring." Should the prisoner demand a jury of Europeans or Americans, he shall be entitled to do so; and in order to obtain a sufficient number of such jurors, military men, whether commissioned or non-commissioned officers, will become liable to be summoned, always taking care that such summons does not interfere with their military duties. To fill up his time a Judge on circuit will be permitted to try other cases than those of British born subjects. He may also have associated with him a barrister of five years' standing, or a covenanted Sessions Judge, to take charge of such cases as he may indicate; but these trials will be strictly conducted according to the Code of Criminal Procedure.

With regard to the criminal jurisdiction of the High Court in the Presidency towns, it is provided that all charges of capital crimes and all very difficult cases shall, if it so please the High Court, be tried by special jury. Special Jurors will be exempt from service on Common or Petty Juries, and will, in the first instance, be drawn

from the present Grand Jury List. But when by death, and the changes and chances of life in India, the Special Jury List is reduced below two hundred, an officer shall be appointed by the Chief Justice to fill up the rota, "regard being had to property, education, character, and intelligence." And if a Judge of the High Court on perusal of the depositions shall consider any charge to be clearly unsustainable, he shall be empowered to make an entry to that effect, which shall be considered equivalent to a *nolle prosequi*. Should no further charge be urged against the same person on the same grounds within the space of three years, such an entry shall have the force of an actual acquittal—which, morally, it never will have. Such are the principal suggestions offered by the Select Committee of the Viceroy's Council, touching a measure that so nearly concerns all European residents in British India.

RUSSIAN PROGRESS IN THE EAST.

ACCORDING to the *Levant Herald*, a highly-respectable journal, and one usually well-informed on all matters pertaining to Western and Central Asia, envoys from the far distant Khanat of Khokan are actually on their way to this country to seek the protection of the British Crown. Notwithstanding the absolute and peremptory contradictions of the press of St. Petersburg, it is certain that Russian influence is surely and steadily advancing towards the frontiers of India and China. It does not follow, however, that Russian progress in the East must be necessarily hostile to British interests. Even were the Muscovite securely established in Khokan, there is no inevitable connection between such a contingency and the wild careerings of the Cossack over the Calcutta maidan. And yet no sooner does a native newswriter, in the absence of something else to eke out his report of what might, could, should, or would happen—if it did not happen in quite a different way—inform the journal of which he is the paid correspondent that a Russian army is in Tashkund, or a Russian envoy in Cabul, than the Indian press goes distraught with terror, and sees a Russian spy in every Tartar who tenders borax in exchange for calico. But admitting, for the sake of argument, that the famous Testament of Peter the Great is still the guiding principle of Muscovite policy, it might fairly be asked what is the precise nature of the danger which is supposed to impend over our Eastern Empire. It is clearly not mere intriguing that the Anglo-Indian watch-dogs apprehend. Neither do they appear to anticipate any great influx of Russian officers in disguise, familiar with the Indian dialects, and skilled to win the confidence of the natives. Not even these alarmists seem to anticipate a rising of the

Sikhs, led on by men in flat caps and grey coats, nor do they clamour for a Bill to prohibit the importation of artillery from the Caucasus to the eastern foot of the Hindoo Khoosh. The peril that daunts their valorous hearts may rather be likened to the spectre of the Hartz mountains. It is something very huge, very mystical, very awesome, but it is not at all tangible, neither has it any defined shape or hue. For all that, it is not the less portentous, nor, indeed, less useful in filling up an "obvious void," when editorial subjects are hard to be found. In fact, for the purposes of Anglo-Indian journalism, if there were no such region as Russia in Asia, it would be necessary to invent one. The idea, if anything so hazy can justly be called an idea, seems to be that, making the Caucasus his base of operations, the Czar will one day coerce Persia, annex Khokan and Bokhara, overrun Afghanistan, and, raising a motley host from all the peoples of Central Asia, pour down the Afghan passes into the Punjab, gathering to his standard adventurous and discontented spirits from all parts of India. The parallel of the hosts of Xerxes does not recur to the memory of the Calcutta journalists. The case, however, is strictly in point. A heterogeneous mass of ill-disciplined levies, inspirited only by the hope of plunder, and unactuated by the slightest feeling of patriotism or oneness of interests, flung themselves against a small but determined band of patriots, fighting for life and liberty, and moving as one man, and the natural consequence was a signal and complete overthrow. An exactly similar result might be confidently anticipated if ever a Russian General ventured to lead an invading army into British India. It is one thing to encounter and defeat clumsy hordes of ill-armed barbarians, but quite another to overcome small compact bodies of highly-trained soldiers, armed with weapons of precision, supported by a powerful artillery, and relying every man on his neighbour as on himself. Possibly it might not be difficult for the Russians to overrun the countries bordering on the British territories, and even reduce them to some sort of subjection, but it would be no easy matter to remove their mutual distrust and jealousy and inspire them with a common purpose. The union and consolidation of so many distinct nationalities might, indeed, be effected after the lapse of several generations, but it is scarcely worth while to go to war in the hope of sparing our grandchildren that dread visitation. And in the meantime nothing but good can arise from the diffusion of civilisation and all its artificial wants throughout the wide regions that lie between the Caspian Sea and the Himalayas. Even now there is a constant demand for English broadcloths in Bokhara, which at pre-

sent reach that country through Russia and Persia. It is the same with many other articles of English manufacture, the comparative excellence and cheapness of which cause them to be valued by the rudest tribes of the Tartar Steppes. But, however much the manufacturers of this country may surpass those of other European nations in wealth, in ingenuity, and in enterprise on a large scale, they cannot be brought to give their attention to the organisation of means of transport. They are content to produce the goods, and leave it to those who want them to provide themselves as they can. Neither do English merchants readily condescend to those small details on which a retail trade mainly depends for its success. It is here that the semi-oriental Muscovite especially excels. He is a pedlar rather than a merchant, and prefers a large return on each individual transaction of a limited business, to an accumulation of small profits from a gigantic traffic. In most parts of Asia trade is still conducted very much as it used to be in Europe in the Middle Ages. Large fairs are periodically held at certain conveniently situated marts, to which sellers and purchasers resort from a great distance, travelling in caravans for the sake of mutual protection from roving bands of robbers. By these means petty towns and hamlets are supplied with what constitutes comfort and luxury according to the untutored minds and taste of their inhabitants. The advent of the Russians cannot fail to impart a knowledge of many articles as yet undreamed of in these hitherto almost inaccessible regions, and out of that knowledge will spring the desire of possession. To none will this diffusion of Western ideas and Western "notions"—to use an American phrase—prove more largely beneficial than to the manufacturers and merchants of England, for they are the source from whence these new wants must be supplied. But whether it be advantageous to British interests or otherwise, it is idle to fret and fume against a universal law of human nature. Of two neighbouring countries, the one that is most highly organised, or furthest advanced in civilisation, must inevitably exercise, as it were, a magnetic influence upon the other. Throughout all creation there is an innate tendency to produce an equilibrium. The great will magnify the little, or the little will pull down the great; but in one way or the other a balance will be struck for good or for evil. Instead, therefore, of expressing either fear or regret at Russian progress in the East, it would be both more liberal and rational to rejoice that light is dawning in dark places, and to render every assistance in our power to develop a result as creditable as it will be beneficial to all concerned in bringing it to pass.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 28.

Petitions complaining of violation of rights secured to them by Act of Parliament, were presented, by Mr. C. BENTINCK from Lieutenant-colonel J. L. Walker, of the Bengal Army; Brevet-Major R. C. Whiting, of the late 70th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, and Captain J. E. D. Wilson, of the late 42nd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; by Mr. CRAWFORD, from Brevet-Major W. K. Hawkins, 40th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Captain F. W. Jones, 18th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, and Lieutenant John Godson, 52nd Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Colonel SYKES, from Major-general W. F. Beatson, of the Bengal Army, Brevet-Major Knocker, 40th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Major M. J. Battye, 31st Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, Brevet-Major R. D. Hassard, late 2nd Bombay European Regiment; and by Major PARKER, from Major-general F. J. Bird, Retired List Madras Army Captain Charles M. White, 45th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Lieutenant J. B. Taylor, 9th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, and Lieutenant F. H. Vanderzee, 34th Regiment Madras Light Infantry.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 30.

Petitions complaining of injury to their prospects, owing to the amalgamation of the Royal with the Indian Army, or of violation of rights and privileges secured to them by Parliamentary guarantee, were presented, by Mr. LESLIE, from Lieutenant-colonel C. R. Stainforth, the 4th Regiment Madras Light Cavalry; Captain George Rowlandson, 10th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieutenant C. J. Watson, 21st Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Colonel DUNNE, from Major Frederick Roome, 10th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry; Brevet-Captain P. Hodgson, of the Bombay Army; Lieutenant R. B. Cummings, 46th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieutenant T. R. Tabateau, of the late Madras Fusiliers; by Mr. CRAWFORD, from Major-general Swanson, late of the Bombay Army; by Sir F. HYGATE, from Major W. F. Anderson, of the Bombay Army; Lieutenant E. H. Thomas, 29th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Lieutenant G. Tyndall, 1st Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieutenant T. P. F. Tytler, 17th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Colonel SYKES, from Lieutenant-colonel C. Birdwood, 3rd Regiment Bombay Infantry; Captain C. F. Gilbertson, late 3rd Madras European Regiment; and Lieutenant G. H. Tillard, 40th Regiment Madras Infantry; and by Mr. VANSITTART, from Lieutenant-colonel E. Yates, 28th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Captain Nowal Swanston, 37th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Major P. Torry Sims, 6th Regiment Madras Native Infantry.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MARCH 31.

Petitions were presented by Colonel SYKES, from Brevet-Major G. Pringle, 35th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Captain Charles P. Hildebrand, 10th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; and Captain A. D. Parsons, 1st Regiment Madras Light Cavalry, praying for redress of grievances.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—APRIL 3.

Petitions were presented by Sir R. CLIFTON, from Major Hutchison, 20th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Major Charles W. Taylor, 13th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieutenant R. Tait, 26th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, complaining of violation of rights secured to them by Act of Parliament and praying for redress.

MR. ARTHUR GEORGE MACPHERSON, barrister-at-law, has been appointed to officiate as a judge of the High Court of Bengal.

SCINDE RAILWAY.

The half-yearly general meeting of this company was held on the 29th March at the London Tavern; W. P. Andrew, the chairman, presided.

The reports of this company's undertakings—namely, the Scinde, the Punjab, and the Delhi Railways, and the Indus Steam Flotilla, abstracts of which have appeared in this paper, were taken as read.

The CHAIRMAN, in moving the adoption of these reports, expressed the deep regret he and his colleagues felt at the loss, by death, of their excellent and able agent, Mr. R. W. Stevens, who had the entire confidence of the local Government during the construction of Punjab Railway, and had performed his duties to the company in the most satisfactory manner. The traffic on the Scinde Railway had not come up to the expectations of the directors. In the past half-year there had been a slight falling off in the receipts from exceptional circumstances. There had been a combination among the native merchants not to send their goods by the railway unless the trucks were placed at their disposal. This had caused some delay in sending the traffic over the line, but at the same time the native merchants were too wise to trust their goods to the river craft. The depressed state of commercial affairs had something to do with the matter, but otherwise the prospects of the Scinde Railway were as good as ever. If the line cost more than was contemplated, he was sure the traffic from the Punjab would more than compensate for the extra outlay, and that there was a great future before them. The flotilla kept up the communication regularly from the terminus of the Scinde Railway at Kotree up the Indus to Mooltan, the terminus of the Punjab Railway. One of their vessels recently brought down a cargo from Mooltan to Kotree, the freight for which amounted to £3,500. If all their vessels were as complete and efficient as that vessel the returns from the flotilla would be very large. It was a very difficult river to navigate, but they found that many of their smaller vessels had turned out more profitable than some of the larger vessels, which were considered superior to them. They had also a number of vessels that were earning nothing, owing to an unfortunate dispute with the contractors, but that had now been settled, and he trusted that those vessels would become available, and that the returns would increase. Their officers managed the flotilla in a very efficient and admirable manner, and they had met with no accident to any of the vessels. The first sod of the Punjab Railway was cut by Sir J. Lawrence in 1856, and in three years afterwards the first section from Lahore to Umritsur was opened for traffic. Sir J. Lawrence opened the first section of the line between Lahore and Mooltan last year; and he (the chairman) had no doubt that the whole of the Punjab Railway was now open and working to Mooltan. The estimated cost of this railway was about £2,500,000, and would be finished for something less than £10,000 per mile. It was the cheapest railway in India; and, owing to the favourable gradients and the absence of heavy works to keep in repair, the maintenance would be light and the working expenses very moderate. The great central station at Lahore was a very handsome and important building, and he expected that the Delhi line would contribute its share of the expense of building it. The works on the Delhi Railway were now occupying great attention in the Punjab, as it would be a continuation of the Punjab Railway from its junction near Umritsur to Delhi, where it would also form a junction with the East Indian Railway. The inhabitants of Delhi were most anxious for its completion, and the site of the station would be within the walls of that city. It was a line of great commercial importance, and the works had been commenced on it at both ends. The construction of the line would

be carried on with energy and spirit, and every effort would be made to complete it as early as possible. The surveys were going on with a view to supply the missing link between Kotree and Mooltan along the valley of the Indus. This line had been delayed in the most unaccountable manner; its construction was of the utmost importance in a political and commercial point of view, and it was surprising that it had not been made long ago. It would, in fact, form the great bulwark to protect the empire, and the great channel of communication from Kurrachee to the interior. Three routes were being surveyed along the valley of the Indus, and he believed that before the next rainy season the surveys would be completed, so as to admit of the selection of the best route for the railway.

Sir T. H. Maddock seconded the motion for the adoption of the report.

Captain Wood, the superintendent of the Indus Steam Flotilla, entered into an explanation as to the working of the steamers, and showed that the net earnings, after paying all expenses, making ample reserves for repairs and insurance, yielded a return of 3½ per cent. upon the capital expended on them, or 2½ per cent. on the entire capital of the flotilla, including that which had been unproductive. This, he thought, under the circumstances, was a very fair result. The success of the boats was due in a great degree to the energetic exertions of the officers of the company in working them, and endeavouring to secure large freights. He believed that the traffic would become so great that when the Indus Valley Railway was completed the line of steamers could not be dispensed with.

In reply to questions by Mr. Seymour and Mr. Hayman, it was stated that the accounts of the company were being adjusted by the Government authorities, so that it was impossible to say at present what were the actual net earnings of the railway since the opening of the line; but they had worked at a profit from the commencement. The length of one route along the right bank of the Indus was 550 miles; by another route, crossing the Indus at Sukkur, would be 500 miles; and the third, along the left bank of the Indus, would be 450 miles, which was the route the chairman had recommended. By the last mail it appeared that the officers of the company had traversed the whole line from Lahore to Mooltan, 220 miles, stopping at various places to examine stations and works, and they accomplished the distance, including those stoppages, in twelve hours. The scale of rates for goods and passengers was too low, and efforts were being made to raise them.

Resolutions were passed adopting the report, re-electing the retiring directors, Sir T. H. Maddock and Mr. J. E. Anderdon, and also Mr. E. Thornton, the retiring auditor. Mr. McKinnon was also elected an auditor. A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the proceedings.

INDIAN BRANCH RAILWAY.

The report of the directors states that the works on the Lucknow and Cawnpore branch were progressing satisfactorily, and were likely to be completed at the end of the year. The permanent way and other materials required for the line, together with the engines and rolling stock, would probably all be despatched within the next four months, so that there was every prospect of the line being opened for traffic early next year. The report on the Nulhattee line was satisfactory as regarded the condition of the permanent way and works generally, but no doubt some disappointment would be felt at the limited amount of traffic. On this subject the directors had lately addressed a letter to the Government of India, pointing out that the reason of the traffic, which at one time promised favourably, having fallen off during the last six months of 1864, was, they understood, that the Trunk Railway

had not sufficient rolling stock to carry the traffic which was brought to its stations; and that at Nulhattee, as at all other stations between Calcutta and Benares, goods were kept lying for so long a time that the merchants of Moorsshedabad and the neighbourhood preferred at present not giving up other means of transit, though greatly inferior to the railway. A very limited staff was engaged in surveying operations, which had been so far carried on that it would be unwise to abandon them, but with this exception the expenditure of the company was at present restricted to the construction of the Lucknow and Cawnpore line, and the working and maintenance of the Nulhattee line. The financial account showed that £151,492 had been expended to the 31st of December last, leaving £64,427 in hand and at interest. The revenue account from the 21st of December, 1863, to the 31st of December, 1864, amounted to £5,209, and the expenditure to £2,746, leaving a balance of £2,463.

BOLDERO v. THE EAST INDIA COMPANY.

HOUSE OF LORDS, MARCH 30.

The noble and learned lords present this morning were the Lord Chancellor, Lord Cranworth, Lord Chelmsford, and Lord Kingsdown.

This was an appeal from a decision of the Lord Chancellor affirming a judgment of the Master of the Rolls in favour of the respondents.

Sir F. Kelly, Sir A. Cairns, and Mr. Joseph Chitty appeared for the appellant; and Mr. Forsyth, Mr. Giffard, and Mr. Melville represented the respondents.

The question in this appeal was whether the appellant, as the executrix of her late husband, John Stephen Boldero, formerly a civil servant of the East India Company in Bengal, was entitled to the refund from the accumulated amount of his subscriptions to the Bengal Civil Service Annuity Fund in excess of half the value of the annuity of £1,000 which was payable to him out of the fund, and was received by him from the time of his retirement from the Civil Service in 1852 up to the day of his death. The suit was virtually instituted on behalf not only of the appellant, but of the other subscribers to the fund who were similarly situated. The Annuity Fund was established in 1825, and the question turned mainly upon two points—first, upon the construction of the lengthy documents establishing the fund; and, secondly, upon the subsequent despatches and conduct of the East India Company, as well in relation to that fund as to other annuity funds established in India by the company upon the same principles. It appeared that the civil servants of the Bengal establishment agreed to pay 4 per cent. on their official incomes towards the fund in question, the East India Company engaging to contribute a like sum annually towards the same object. The income derived from these sources far exceeded the charges upon the fund, and in April, 1850, there was, according to the appellant's statement, in the hands of the company, to the credit of the fund, an unappropriated balance amounting to £600,000, and after paying the whole of the charges upon it there would at that time have remained a disposable balance of £108,000. It was alleged that the company proposed to convert the whole of the principal of the fund to their own use, and to pay the annual charges upon it out of their revenue. The appellant and the other subscribers to the fund objected to such an arrangement being carried into effect until they had been repaid out of the fund the whole of the amount they had contributed in excess of half the value of their annuities, the proportion the company fixed for them to contribute. On the other hand, the company, among other allegations, stated that the fund in question was insolvent, and that, therefore, there was no pretence for the claim of the appellant.

The cause was argued at their Lordships' bar early in the Session, when time was taken for consideration.

The Lord Chancellor, in delivering judgment this morning, regarded a despatch of 1824 as forming the contract between the parties, and on a passage in that document the appellant founded her contention that no subscriber should be called upon to subscribe more than one-half the value of his annuity. Such in his (the Lord Chancellor's) opinion was not the true meaning of that passage, which only went the length of stipulating that no subscriber should be entitled to an annuity until he had paid half the value of his annuity. The fundamental rule of the society was that every subscriber should contribute to the fund during the full time of his service—namely, 25 years, during 22 years of which he must have resided in India. The company undertook to guarantee the sufficiency of the fund during the first 25 years, provided the deficiency did not amount to more than half the value of the annuity claimed, but it was nowhere stated that in the case of the subscribers contributing more than half the value of their annuity such excess was to be repaid them. Under these circumstances, he thought the decision of the Court below was correct, and must be affirmed.

Lord Cranworth and Lord Chelmsford having concurred.

The appeal was dismissed without costs.

COURT OF BANKRUPTCY.

COLONEL WAUGH'S CASE.—On Wednesday there was a certificate meeting in re Colonel Waugh, of Branksea Island, Dorset, and also of 10, Upper Grosvenor-street, lately trading under the title of "Branksea Clay and Pottery Company." Creditors unsecured £58,257, holding security £260,343.—Mr. Linklater, for the assignees, said it had been proposed to prosecute the bankrupt for a misdemeanor, but the late Commissioner Evans declined to order the expenses of the prosecution out of the estate, and the creditors refused to apply the assets to a prosecution. The Branksea Island Estate had been sold for £30,000, which was less than the sum for which it was mortgaged. The furniture and articles of vertu at Branksea and Hyde Park, estimated at £39,000, realised £8,000, altogether the total produce, including carriages, horses, &c., reached £90,000, and as the assignees considered the twelve months' imprisonment already suffered to be sufficient, they did not oppose the bankrupt's certificate.—Commissioner Goulburn, under the circumstances, now granted a third-class certificate.

MISCELLANEOUS.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, &c.—The report of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, to be presented on the 12th of April, states the disposable balance to be £63,349, out of which the directors feel it necessary to set aside £22,000 to meet bad and doubtful debts from the recent depreciation of Eastern produce. From the balance of £41,349 they recommend a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum for the half-year, leaving £1,349 to be carried forward. The reserve fund now stands at £105,000.

SUSPENSION OF MESSRS. BREMNER AND CO.—The suspension has been announced of Messrs. Bremner and Co., in the East India and Brazilian trade, with liabilities for about £150,000, of which about £100,000 is secured. According to some statements there are fair assets, and the liquidation is likely to be comparatively favourable. The house, in its present form, was established only in 1862.

SPECIE TO THE EAST.—The shipments of specie by the Peninsular and Oriental steamship *Delhi* represent £32,708, the whole, with the exception of a small parcel of gold for Madras, being silver for Galle, Singapore, Hong Kong, Foochow, and Shanghai.

EAST INDIA COAL COMPANY.—On Monday, March 27, an extraordinary general meeting was held to consider the general position of the undertaking, and particularly an offer to purchase the property and shares, and to authorise the directors to sell the estate, or wind up the company, or to take such other steps as might be deemed most expedient; Mr. Wilde was in the chair. It was agreed to appoint a committee to report to the shareholders upon the present position, and as to the best means of forming a new company in London.

SUSPENSION OF MESSRS. KELSON AND CO.—Much regret has been occasioned by the suspension of Messrs. Kelson, Tritton and Co., East India and general merchants, a firm with large engagements, who have struggled for some months against losses sustained from other failures, and the severe and uninterrupted fall in produce. Their present commitments, although much less than those outstanding a few months ago, amount to about £900,000, of which, it is believed, two-thirds will be provided for by other parties primarily liable. The corresponding house at Liverpool will, it is said, not be in any degree affected. The firm hold scarcely any produce on their own account, and the partners are understood to entertain a strong conviction that the liquidation will not be unsatisfactory. It will be influenced, however, by that of Messrs. Smith, Douglas, and Co., who suspended on the 24th inst., and who are indebted to Messrs. Kelson, Tritton, and Co. to the extent of about £90,000.

ENVOYS FROM KHOKAN.—If, as is probable, the mission of the Envoys from Khokan should extend to England, the event will not be the least strange among the characteristics of the age. The Envoy at present at Constantinople had, we believe, a lengthened interview with Sir H. Bulwer in Egypt, and in consequence of that interview may have resolved to continue his journey to the mistress of India. The bearer of another and a later message from the same quarter is expected, and the two will possibly undertake the Western mission in company. They seek the protection of Britain as suppliant representatives of a throne which, in the days of Tamerlane, gave audience at one time to five hundred Envoys of dependent Princes. Their opinion of the long arm of Britain is shown by their attempting an errand so foreign to their habits; and the general impression as to the power and determination of England when her interests are directly concerned will probably deter Russia from more direct proceedings towards the Indian frontier. At present she proclaims to the world that she seeks neither, but simply a commercial road through Bokhara to China, and excuses her late formation of the province of Turkistan on economical grounds, alleging the distance of the district from Orenburg, hitherto its *chief lieu* and the centre of its administration. The Khokanese mission will prove to Russia that the eyes of the world are on her, and its very strangeness may awaken her to the remembrance of the danger of provoking European interference. She will be compelled to confine herself to her present professions, and if she does not go beyond them she will, after all, have only opened a road by which the commerce of all nations will be ultimately facilitated and advanced.—*Levant Herald*.

ARRIVAL OF H.M.'S 52ND REGIMENT.—The sailing ship *Nile*, Commander Owens (one of Messrs. Green's fleet of Indiamen), arrived at Portsmouth on Friday morning with the left wing of the 2nd Regiment on board, consisting of Major Crosse, in command; Capt. Keyworth and Parry; Lieuts. Wingfield (and Mrs. Wingfield), Mickelburgh, and Barwell; Ensigns Blakeney, Scott, and Adams; Assistant-Surg. Goharty, 243 men, 11 women, and 28 children. The *Nile* was towed into Portsmouth harbour on Friday afternoon, and immediately afterwards the troops were landed at the dockyard and marched into the Cam-

bridge-barracks, Portsmouth, to join the headquarters. The disembarkation of the troops was effected in one hour and a-half from the time the ship entered the harbour, at the end of which time she had sailed again for London.

"QUEEN OF THE SOUTH."—The East India and London Shipping Company's steamship *Queen of the South*, 2,090 tons, Captain William Frain, arrived at Plymouth, on the 29th ult. She brings a general cargo, £7,000 in gold, from Capetown, and 67 deck and 21 steerage passengers, including Major Lloyd, Mrs. Lloyd and family, Major Shieldham, Mrs. Shieldham and family, Lieutenant Coppinger, Lieutenant Tollemache, Lieutenant Bingham, Mrs. Bingham and family, Captain Lilly, Mrs. Lilly and family, Mrs. Rawlings and family, Mrs. Dale, Dr. Annesney, Mrs. Annesney and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Hune. The *Queen of the South* left Sandheads, Calcutta, December 27; Madras, January 7; and the Cape of Good Hope, February 12.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, April 4. —The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamship *Delhi*, Captain Parish, sailed hence this afternoon with the mails for Gibraltar, the Mediterranean, Egypt, Aden, Ceylon, India (except Bombay), and China. She took out 40 first and 24 second class passengers, and on freight 142 boxes of specie, value £36,753. 16s. 8d., for the following ports, viz.:—Galle, silver coin, £430; Madras, gold coin, £90; gold thread, &c., £1,038; Calcutta, jewellery, &c., £2,088. 16s. 8d.; Singapore, dollars, £21,000; Hong Kong, bar silver, £1,000; dollars, £2,958; watches, jewellery, &c., £869; Foochow, dollars, £2,000; and Shanghai, dollars, £5,230. The *Delhi* also took out a full cargo of general merchandise. Amongst her passengers were Captain Burland, Lieut. O'Brien, General Smythe, Dr. Freer, Dr. McKennan, R.N., Colonel Sorell, C.B., Captain Price, and Lieut. Neile.

BRITISH INDIA AGENCY CORPORATION.—A provisional prospectus has been issued of the British India and Colonial Trust and Agency Corporation, with a capital of £100,000 in shares of £20.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 30. Longwood, Bombay; Viscata, Calcutta.—31. Clodeon, Ceylon; Heros, Singapore; Kirkcounell, Singapore.—April 1. *Queen of the South*, Calcutta; *Nile*, Calcutta.—2. Boston Castle, Bombay; City of Delhi, Bombay; Fuan, Bombay; Washington Irving, Madras; Childwickbury, Calcutta; Oriana, Calcutta; Chedwick Castle, Calcutta; Troone, Madras.

DEPARTURES.

March 31. C. C. Horton, Aden; Ann Dymes, Madras; Sea Sprite, Colombo.—April 1. *Curset Feudonjee*, Bombay; Scotia, Aden; Ingarrania, Mauritius; Patna, Shanghai.—2. Green Jacket, Aden; Refuge, Masulipatam; Sprite, Colombo.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

BERTHON—The wife of Com. C. H. Berthon, late Indian Navy, of a daughter, at Halton-lodge, Halton, Cheshire, March 27.

DUN—The wife of Maj. C. W. Dun, Madras Army, of a son, at 13, Macaulay-buildings, Bath, April 1.

MACTIER—The wife of Dr. W. F. Mactier, Bengal Service, of a son, at 33, Alfred-place, West Brompton, March 23.

ROBERTS—The wife of A. Roberts, Esq., civil engr., Bombay, of a son, at Park-villas, Richmond, March 26.

SUART—The wife of Maj. W. S. Suart, Bombay Royal Engrs., retired, of a son, at Bowls, Chigwell, Essex, March 28.

MARRIAGES.

LOVELACE—JENKINS.—The Right Hon. Wm. Earl of Lovelace, to Jane Crawford, widow of the late Edward Jenkins, Esq., of the late Bengal C.S., at St. James', Paddington, March 29.

MACMULLEN—WARD.—Fred. W. Macmullen, Esq., Bengal cav., to Mary E., daughter of John Ward, Esq., of Bodmin, Cornwall, at St. Stephen's, Westbourne-park, March 30.

MOLESWORTH—SMITH.—Anthony O. Molesworth, Lieut., R.A., to Annie, daughter of Maj. Hope Smith, retired, Madras Army, at Cruickfield, Dunse, N.B., March 23.

DEATHS.

DUFFERIN—The Dowager Lady Dufferin, aged 93, March 28.

KEMBALL—Milford A., youngest child of John Shaw Kemball, Lieut.-Colonel, H.M.'s Staff Corps, Bombay, at 57, Oxford-terrace, Hyde-park, aged 14 months, April 2.

KYD—Mary Ann, the wife of Colonel Hugh Mac Ilwain Kyd, late H.E.I. Co.'s Service, Madras, at Fleetlands, Surbiton, Surrey, April 3.

LOW—Hannah, infant daughter of S. P. Low, Esq., at Round-hill-villa, Upper Sydenham, aged 6 months 5 days, March 28.

MATHIE—Major-General Mathie, H.M.'s Bengal Army, at Gothic-house, Upper Hamilton-terrace, N.W., aged 59, March 28.

MONEY—Walter D. C., youngest son of William J. H. Money, Esq., late Bengal Civil Service, at 17, Onslow-square, aged 14 years and 10 months, March 30.

PEPE—Mary Anne, widow of Guglielmo Pepe, late Lieut.-General in the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies. She had been previously married to John Borthwick Gilchrist, LL.D., E.I.C.S., at Taranto, near Naples, May 9.

READ—Alfred V., only surviving son of John Read, Esq., of the India-office, at 106, Manor-street, Clapham, aged 2 years and 8 months, March 25.

VERNER—Colonel, late of the E.I.C.S., at Belfast, March 25.

India Office,

April 5, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. C. D. Nott, 4th Eur. Regt.; Surg. R. H. Perkins, Med. Estab.; Lieut. A. Fitz Hugh, Staff Corps; Major H. Mills, Staff Corps; Capt. J. C. Wood, Staff Corps.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. F. T. Miller, 16th N.I.; Capt. F. L. Playfair, Staff Corps; Lieut. J. Armstrong, Staff Corps; Surg. J. Wilson, Med. Estab.; Capt. H. Fraser, Staff Corps.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. J. M. Boyd, Staff Corps.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Col. C. Reid, C.B., Staff Corps, 6 mo.; Capt. A. Shepherd, 5th Eur. Regt., 6 mo.; Lieut. H. Rowband, 63rd N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. R. E. Money, 13th N.I., 6 mo.

Madras Estab.—Major A. Sage, 52nd N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. H. Coningham, 29th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. C. R. Crauford, 15th N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. F. Farrer, Inf., 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Asst. surg. P. W. Cockell, Med. Estab., 6 mo.; Lieut. P. D. Molden, 1st N.I., 5 mo.; Capt. C. W. Wigney, Staff Corps, 6 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. A. L. Playfair, 6th Eur. Regt. **Madras Estab.**—Major R. Benson, Staff Corps; Capt. C. E. Bates, 16th N.I.

Bombay Estab.—Major W. Gray, Staff Corps.

PERMITTED TO RETIRE.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Capt. B. C. Urquhart, Staff Corps. **Madras Estab.**—Capt. T. Moxon, 45th N.I. **Bombay Estab.**—Major W. F. Gordon, 1st Eur. Regt.

WHITE LEOPARD.—The *Hills* (of Mussoorie) has the following:—"We had this morning the pleasure of seeing a very rare and beautiful animal—the white leopard of the snowy Himalayas. It was brought in by Mr. F. Wilson, the well-known shikari, and we believe he intended to take it home as a present to the Zoological Society. Circumstances, we hear, have prevented his going, and we hardly know whether most to sympathise with him in his disappointment, or with the Zoological Society for not getting the animal."

INDIA EXCHANGES.

BANK AND COMMERCIAL BILLS.

	60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.		60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.
Calcutta.	1s. 11½d.	1s. 11½d.	Singapore.	4s. 8½d.	4s. 9d.
Madras.	1s. 11½d.	1s. 11½d.	Hong Kong.	4s. 8½d.	4s. 9d.
Bombay.	1s. 11½d.	1s. 11½d.	Shanghai.	—	—
Colombo.	½ pm.	1s. 0pm.			

STOCKS AND SECURITIES.

Shares.		Paid.	Prices.
£.	India Stock, 1874.		214 to 217
	India 5 per cent.		106½
	India 4 per cent.		99½
	India 4 per cent. 1888.		99½
	India Enforced Paper 4 pr. ct.		89
	India 5 p. ct. Enforced Paper		101 to 102
	India Stock, Enfd. Paper, 5½		98½
	per cent.		108 to 110
	India Stock Debentures, 1858		95½
	India Stock Debentures, 1859		116
	" " " 1864 or 1866		99½
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	India Debentures, do., £1,000		3 dis.
	India 5 per cent. for account.		105
	India 5 per cent., 1870		108½ to 109
	India 4 per cent.		99½
	India Loan Scrip 5 per cent.		104½
	India Bonds, 4 p. ct. (£1,000)		15s. pm.
	India Bonds (£1,000)		12s. pm.
	Ditto (under £1,000)		12s.
	RAILWAYS.		
Stock	Bombay, Baroda, and Central India (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	102 to 103
20	Ditto F Shares	2	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Calcutta & S. Eastern (lim.)	100	98 to 100
Stock	Eastern Bengal (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	101 to 103
Stock	East Indian	100	102½ to 103½
20	Ditto J. Extension	5	
Stock	G. I. Peninsula (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	101 to 103
20	Ditto (New ditto)	2	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Ditto, New	2	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Great S. of India (Lim.) Scrip	100	100 to 101½
Stock	Ditto 4½ p. c.	100	99 to 101
Stock	Madras (guar. 4½ per ct.)	100	91
Stock	Ditto 5 per cent.	100	101 to 102
Stock	Ditto (guar. 4½ per cent)	100	93 to 95
20	5th Extension	2	1½
Stock	Scinde 5 per cent.	100	100½ to 101½
Stock	Ditto Indus Steam Flotilla (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	97
Stock	Ditto Delhi gua. 5 p. ct.	100	100½ to 101½
20	Ditto	2	½ d. par
Stock	Punjab (5 per ct.)	100	100½ to 101½
	BANKS.		
100	Agra and Masterman's (L.)	50	120 to 123 x.d.
50	Do., New issue	25	
50	Do. issue at 30 pm.	25	60 to 62
20	Asiatic Banking Corp., new issue, £15 pm., on which £7. 10s. has been paid	2½	11 to 12
40	Australasia	all	72
40	New	all	65 to 70
25	Bank of Egypt	all	30
20	Chart. of Ind., Aus., & China	all	28 to 30
20	Ditto, New	all	
25	Chart. Merc. of India, Lond., and China	all	55
25	New	13½	
100	Commercial Bank of India*	all	35 to 37
100	Hindustan, China, & Japan.	25	2 d. par
100	Do. New issue at 2 pm.	23	2 d. par
100	New Issue at 6 pm., of which 1 pd.	10	2½ to 1½ d.
50	Imp. Bank of China, India, and Japan	4	½ to 1½ pm.
20	Land Mortgage Bank of India	all	57
20	Oriental Bank Corporation	10	½ to 1½ pm.
20	Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi	7½	2 pm.
20	Ditto New		
	MISCELLANEOUS.		
5	Bombay Gas	all	5½ to 6
5	New	3	½ to 1 pm.
20	British Indian Tea	14	1½ to 1½ d.
20	E. Assam Tea (Lim.)	1	½ to 1½ pm.
20	Ceylon	7	2½ to 3½
50	Credit Foncier of Mauritius	10	4½ to 5½ dis.
50	East India Irr. & Can.	10	2 dis.
50	E. I. Financial	7½	3 to 2
2	Indian Carrying (Lim.)	1	½ d. to 1½ pm.
20	Mauritius Land Credit (Lim.)	2	par to ½ pm.
20	Madras Irrig. and Canal	5	½ d. to 1½ pm.
20	Do.	all	20 to 21
20	Mediterran. Ext. Tel. (Lim.)	all	4
20	Nerbudda Coal and Iron	5	1 d. par
20	Do. New	2	½ d. to 1½ pm.
10	North Assam Tea (Lim.)	1	½ pm.
20	Oriental Commercial	7	½ to 1½ pm.
50	Oriental Financial	10	6 to 4 dis.
1	Oriental Gas	all	1½ to 1½
1	Do. New	all	2½ pm.
10	Oriental Inland Steam A. (L.)	all	2½
50	P. and O. Steam Nav. Co.	all	82
50	Ditto New	35	20
10	Upper Assam Tea	3½	21 to 3½ pm
10	Ditto	all	20

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THE HON. MR. CUST has been requested by the Home Secretary to remain in India until he has organised the equalisation of civil salaries.

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2. "That Sir T. Herbert Maldoek be re-elected a Director of this Company."
3. "That J. Edmund Anderson, Esq., be re-elected a Director of this Company."
4. "That Edward Thornton, Esq., C.B., be re-elected Auditor of this Company."
5. "That William Mackinnon, Esq., be appointed an Auditor of the Company in place of George Gordon Macpherson, Esq., resigned."
6. "That the cordial thanks of this Meeting are tendered to W. P. Andrew, Esq., for his courteous conduct in the Chair this day."

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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

THE news from Bhootan which reaches us by the Calcutta Mail of the 10th March is, so far as it goes, of a favourable character. The Bhootahs are reported to have ceased from their vigorous outburst of attacks upon the British outposts, and of raids into British territory. Preparations for hutting the Europeans were in progress, and a road to the foot of the hills was being actively pushed on. The Indo-European Telegraph, however, places us in possession of intelligence as late as the 2nd of the current month, and of a highly satisfactory nature. Sir Bartle Frere states, on the authority of Sir William Mansfield, that on that day General Tombs re-captured the lately evacuated post of Dewangiri, with trifling loss. The enemy made a stout resistance, and lost 130 slain, and thirty taken prisoners, including two chiefs, while on the British side not a single officer, at least, was killed.

To the Telegraph we are again indebted for very important news from Calcutta, touching the financial statement made by Sir Charles Trevelyan on the 31st of March. Instead of the promised surplus of £800,000, there is a deficit of £144,000. Next year, however, there is to be really a surplus of half-a-million, although the income-tax is to expire at the end of July. The expedients devised by Sir Charles Trevelyan for restoring the balance between expenditure and income are strangely inconsistent with his English reputation as a Whig of the purest water. He imposes an export duty of 3 per cent. on jute, wool, tea, and coffee; and of 2 per cent. on hides, sugar, and silk. At the same time, the duty on grain is increased one anna per maund, and on rice it is raised from 2 to 3 annas. Grateful, however, for the pleasure and benefit he has derived in the Hills, from copious draughts of country-brewed beer, he reduces the import duty on hops to one per cent. The financial condition of India is declared to be prosperous, notwithstanding the substitution of a deficit for a surplus, and the adoption of a retrograde system of finance. Sir Charles Wood has been compelled to acknowledge, in his place in Parliament, that the news had taken him by surprise, and was quite opposed to what he had expected.

The three eldest sons of the Nawab Nazim of Bengal, under the excellent guidance of Colonel Herbert, are among the passengers by the present mail. It is much to be desired that other Mahomedan princes and chiefs would follow the example of his Highness of Moorshedabad, and send their sons forth to make the "grand tour" of Europe.

The *Serampore Journal* is again seized with a panic because it has been reported, on the authority of a native news writer on the staff of the *Delhi Gazette*, that the Russians have asked permission of the Khan of Bokhara to pass through his territories, in order to search for gold and silver mines in the province of Budakhshan, which is almost contiguous to Cashmere. "All roads lead to Serampore," and therefore a Muscovite editor may shortly arrive to take charge of a certain weekly paper, at present addicted to sensational spasms.

We regret to announce the death, on the 6th March, in the Officers' Hospital, Chowringhee, of Major G. E. Rose, of the 3rd Battalion Rifle Brigade, and Aide-de-Camp to his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief. The deceased officer saw service in the Crimea and the Indian Mutiny; and was to have gone home in command of invalids and time-expired men in the ship *Malabar*, which left on the 7th March, for England.

Sir Harry Parkes, K.C.B., at present her Majesty's Consul at Shanghai, is spoken of as the successor to Sir Rutherford Alcock, K.C.B., as Minister in Japan. Sir Rutherford has succeeded Sir Frederick Bruce at Peking.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

BENGAL.—Maj. G. F. Rose, Rifle Brigade, aide-de-camp to the Commander-in-Chief, at the Officers' Hospital, Chowringhee, March 6. Maj. T. Green, late 45th Bengal N.I., and of the Grange, Tytherington, Gloucestershire, at Tulse-hill, aged 43, April 8.

MADRAS.—Lieut.-col. H. Hall, late of the Madras Army, at Saffron Walden, aged 65, April 6. Capt. W. Rawlins, Madras Staff Corps, at Calcutta, en route for England, Feb. 15, aged 31.

BOMBAY.—General Mossom Boyd, H.M.'s Bombay Army, at 6, Dawson-place, Bayswater, aged 84, April 8.

Passengers by the present Mail.

Per str. Ceylon, April 10.—For MARSEILLES.—From CALCUTTA.—Mr. Gordon, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lyall, Lieut. Hedges, Mr. Stevens, Mr. and Miss Trotter, Mr. and Mrs. Perry and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Allen, Capt. Japley, the Rev. Mr. Binney, Mr. Crosswell, Maj. and Mrs. Tickell and four children, Col. and Mrs. Beadie and child, Mr. and Mrs. Hills and child, Capt. and Mrs. Montgomery, Paymaster Anderson.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. Nyanza, April 18.—From CALCUTTA.—Col. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Agabeg and family, Mr. Beake, Mrs. Thullier and family, Mrs. J. B. Grant, Miss Moultrie, Maj. Saunders.

BENGAL.

THE EVACUATION OF DEWANGIRI.

Hitherto, almost all the reliable accounts of the evacuation of, and retreat from Dewangiri, have been furnished from the garrison itself; but we are now in possession of details from this side of the passes, which throw an additional light upon the whole affair, and show how menacing and formidable were the dangers and difficulties which beset the defenders of the place, and rendered a further tenure of it impossible, if a man of the British force was to be saved from death or capture. It appears, according to our last information, that when it was known that Dewangiri was seriously menaced, Captain Cunliffe, of the 12th N.I., was ordered off with a party of forty men of his regiment, to escort supplies and ammunition to the garrison, and was instructed on no account to enter the pass until he should hear from Colonel Campbell, commanding in Dewangiri, that it was clear. This officer reached Koomrekatta by forced marches in three days, and on the fourth proceeded towards the pass, having heard that coolies and elephants had gone up with supplies unmolested. When half way up, a dak runner from Dewangiri was met, with a note from Colonel Campbell, stating that the Bhootas had established themselves on the east side of the position; that he could not dislodge them, and was at a loss what to do. On receiving this intelligence, and knowing that he could not get up the pass till night, Captain Cunliffe thought it better to wait till morning, and see what intelligence he could get as to the real state of affairs. In the evening the elephants and coolies returned, the latter saying that although they had got down the pass all safe, the Bhootas were collecting in considerable strength, and an escort had to be sent with them part of the way. In the middle of the night a letter arrived from Colonel Campbell, in answer to one which Captain Cunliffe had written in the morning, asking for instructions, which directed the latter officer to advance at all hazards, and to march during the night. As this was simply impossible at night, especially without a guide, the advancing party held its ground till daybreak, when it set off, and reached the foot of the hills a little after noon, coolies carrying the ammunition, and the elephants lightly laden with the baggage and supplies. Some coolies were sent up the pass to see if the road was clear, and they returned saying that it was, so that the party continued its course, and reached the top of the hill, when a tremendous yell was heard, and the Bhootas were seen running to a formidable stockade which they had constructed on the hill side above, and commanding the road. Nothing being visible beyond this, the party held on its way, until it got into a heavy fire of all kinds of missiles, to which it could not reply: and it was obviously impossible, with the small force at command, to force a passage. The enemy had a full command of the road for more than half a mile, whilst the shot and shell thrown at them by the Dewangiri garrison had no effect, as the enemy had plenty of cover, and the Bhootas were running round to get to the rear of the column. When the backward movement commenced, it was found that the coolies carrying the ammunition had bolted, and the boxes were all on the ground, but they were at once packed upon an elephant. They had not, however, gone far when the load broke and tumbled off, and at this time another elephant fell with his load. Upon this a party was sent to guard the pass in the rear, and the men carrying the boxes down, the elephants were reloaded and everything was brought away; the Bhootas not daring to come to close quarters, and the foot of the pass being reached at six o'clock in the evening, after twelve hours of incessant fatigue and anxiety, the road being simply the dry bed of a mountain torrent. The next morning the

returning party reached Koomrekatta, and about noon saw the whole plain covered with scattered and straggling men, who, it was soon discovered, were the garrison of Dewangiri, which had evacuated the place during the night by an almost impassable road, which had been shown by some native. It is admitted on all hands that Captain Cunliffe's conduct was both bold and judicious, and that, had he persevered in advancing, not a man of his party would have escaped, and all the ammunition and supplies must, of course, have fallen into the hands of the enemy. In the letters giving the above details, every consideration is shown for the Dewangiri garrison, except the 43rd N.I., and full justice is done to the gallantry and self-devotion of Captain Cockburn and his artillerymen, who nobly brought away the sick and the howitzers, until, deserted by their cowardly escort of the 43rd, they could carry the latter no further, and, spiking them at the last moment, threw them down the *Khud*. Lieutenant Story, of the 43rd N.I., wounded by an arrow, and deserted by his own men, was carried away and saved by Havildar Nundram, of the 12th N.I., whose conduct has been reported to the Government.—*Englishman*.

MARRIAGE FESTIVALS AND INFANTICIDE.

Some time ago we reported the unions to be contracted between the family of the Rajah of Rewah and their Highnesses of Jeypore and Jodhpore. The Maharajah of Jeypore has married two daughters of the Rewah Chief, with each of whom he received a dowry of two lacs of rupees in silver, exclusive of presents proper to the occasion, and his *rah-dar* or travelling expenses. The Jodhpore Rajah has been promised an equally liberal reception, and has proceeded towards Rewah, accompanied by Lieutenant Roberts, the political agent, and a following of some three or four thousand troops: he will marry one daughter now, and unless on *dit* speaks falsely, he will woo and wed another a few months hence. This is a strange custom of marrying two sisters to one husband! It is also very expensive; it may be safely reckoned that the weddings of these four young ladies will cost their father at least one hundred thousand pounds, a noble sum, and one which, rightly applied, might have gone a great way towards giving Rewah a good system of roads, or towards improving the status of the people. A large family of daughters, however, thus becomes a very serious burden upon their father, for although the Rajah of Rewah has spent so large a sum of money upon his daughters, he is not considered in Rajpoot circles to have acted with anything like proper liberality, considering the antiquity of his own family and the rank and *sangre azul* of his sons-in-law. The evil of this extravagant outlay at marriages, which prevails all over India, and instances of which are as common in the metropolis as anywhere else, acts and reacts in Rajpootana on the poorer classes in a way which must ever be regretted. The Rajpoot, like most Oriental races, looks upon the birth of a son with pride, and upon the birth of a daughter with a feeling of regret; but when to this feeling is added the sense of the enormous sacrifices which the family must suffer to place the girl well in life, and to secure a proper alliance for her, it is scarcely to be wondered at that the father would rather see the babe dead; hence the custom of female infanticide. A girl is looked upon as a source of weakness and future expense, and is got rid of, before she can know pain, or gain a hold upon her father's affections. The practice is not confined to Rajpootana; it is more or less resorted to all over India, in spite of the laws and prohibitions of the English Government. If the Rajah of Rewah spends a hundred thousand pounds in the weddings of four of his daughters, a single zemindar of

Sarun spends one-tenth of that sum on one daughter, and a man who earns only a few rupees per month will in Calcutta pledge his income for several years in order to waste a couple of hundred rupees in the nuptial festivities of his child. In Rajpootana the evil of infanticide was more rampant, because more unchecked, owing to the feebleness of the native governments, than in other parts of India: it became a fashion, and gave rise to a class of wretches whose duty it was to perpetrate the murders and gloss them over with pæans in honour of the families involved, and the right and justice of removing a formidable incumbrance. In order to effectually combat this custom General Lawrence, before leaving the Rajpootana Agency, prohibited the Bhats and Chammoors from entering any village where a marriage ceremony was being celebrated. These Bhats and Chammoors were in the habit of assembling in large numbers, at marriage festivals, and fastening upon the bridegroom's father until he satisfied their demands: should he be so unwise as to resent their importunities or refuse compliance with their requests, all the spots and flaws in the character of himself or his ancestors would be recited for the amusement and scandal of the guests and villagers. The Bhat had a most retentive memory for ancestral failings, and the Chamoor a wonderful recollection of hereditary faults. Pretending to be the popular heralds and genealogists, they made their knowledge subservient to the vilest purposes, and converted any marriage which they attended into an occasion for senseless extravagance and ruinous generosity: they dissipated its gladness, to replace it by the gloom of a heavy load of debt and despair. These men were once common in Bengal, and were the pest and plague of the marriage festivities of the people. Recognising in koolinism an institution capable of affording them singular opportunities for gain, they hung about the Brahmins and reaped a rich harvest. With the advance of knowledge, and the consolidation of the English rule in Bengal, the koolins found themselves in a position to withstand their exactions and refuse their requests; they were called Ghotucks, and were supposed to know the genealogies of the koolins. As, however, koolinism declined in popular estimation the Ghotuck found his occupation gone, and left Bengal for countries where Hindooism could still claim to exercise its cruel and revolting ceremonies in all their original purity, and capability of administering to the designs of a clever cheat. Along the Hooghly female infanticide has died out: we no longer hear of girls being thrown into the river as offerings to the Gunga—the people have adopted the simple plan of presenting the river with a few cocoa-nuts instead. The custom still obtains in Oudh and in Goruckpore; but although in Bengal men no longer sacrifice their daughters, the scarcely abated rule of extravagance at marriages still renders the birth of a daughter a misfortune. The Government has endeavoured to check the evil at the fountain head, but its efforts must of course prove more or less abortive so long as those most interested declined to throw themselves into the struggle for their emancipation from a most pernicious custom.—*Hurkaru*.

A NATIVE STATE AND ITS RULERS.

Major Malleon has favoured us with another excellent lecture at the Dalhousie Institute, and this time he has broken new ground. His Essay is entitled "A Native State and its Rulers," and is, in fact, the history of the rise of one of those independent States which we found in India, and which were formed on the disruption of the Mogul power. Nothing is more strange or romantic, or fuller of adventure and striking events than the history of the rise of these principalities, both great and small, which followed on the destruction of the empire of the Moguls, by

the last terrible blow inflicted by Nadir Shah. The Mahrattas under Sivajee and his descendants struck fiercely for the sovereignty of India, which they were unable to hold; then followed the predatory hordes of Pendarrees, Holkar and his horsemen, Ameer Khan, the Mahomedan, the Jats from Bhurtpore, and thus a series of years passed in anarchy and confusion, the Mahrattas at one time levying their tribute or Ameer Khan plundering the countries he rode over. During these years many adventurers founded States, and many Governors and inferior authorities secured for themselves petty kingdoms, in reality, though still nominally recognising some paramount power. Thus the Nazim of Bengal and the Nizam of Hyderabad, the Nuwab Wuzer of Lucknow, were virtually independent, though originally the representatives of the Great Mogul. So was formed the strange principality of Sirdhunna by the German adventurer Sombre, and his Begum who succeeded him, protected by the British power. So arose the independent principality which Major Malleon has chosen for his lecture, and we owe to his industry the collation of valuable materials from the archives of the Foreign-office, and to his ability the clear narrative of the wonderful events and circumstances under which a principality was founded, which has escaped the storms and difficulties of an extraordinary period of anarchy and confusion, which exists and flourishes to this day, cherished and honoured by the British successors to the kingdom of the Mogul. Major Malleon shows how this success has been attained, and how, in the virtue, the bravery and the simple honesty of its governors, this State has weathered the storms of the past and remains now a gem set in the British Crown in the East. A small State governed by Mohammedans is this Bhopal, surrounded by Hindoo Sovereigns, powerful and unfriendly; yet for 170 years have these Moslem Princes held their kingdom, seeing all others rise and fall, and finally it rests an independent Power, respected and honoured by its powerful British allies and protectors. It is this marvellous tale that Major Malleon relates, from which he draws so many valuable lessons, and on which he moralises for the benefit of his hearers. We can only make the following extracts. Here is the character of Mooreed Mahomed Khan, the hereditary Lord of Rathgurb, when the Lord, of Bhopal resolved on choosing a dewan :—

"And now the two candidates stood together, waiting for the decision of the Nawab. There could not have been a greater contrast. The one, in the flush of manly youth, noble and handsome in appearance, possessing an open, generous, trustful nature, and master of the divine art of managing his fellow-men. He made no great professions, no splendid promises. This one thing alone he said; that he was ready to fight, and work, and die, for his sovereign and his country. But the other. More like a Hindoo merchant than an Affghan Chief, he creeps submissively into the presence of the Nawab. He addresses him in language as humble as fulsome; calls him his more than father; on the heir apparent, Gbous Mahomed, he lavishes the most exaggerated praise, praise of his accomplishments of mind and body, of his abilities, his courage, his acquirements; to the Beebe, or Lady Mother, whom he next visits, and who, by her influence with the Nawab, is the real dispenser of gifts, he is equally submissive. He calls her his aunt, declares to her that he will hear with his ears, and see with her eyes; that her opinions shall be his opinions, her enemies his enemies. The next day he acts even a more extraordinary part. When waited upon by the Hindoo merchants and bankers of the city, he refuses their usual offerings of money, makes them presents of clothes, and calls them his cousins. To the poor everywhere he distributes considerable sums in charity. The commonalty are delighted. Such a man, so meek, so humble, so charitable, so religious—for he had sighed away one whole day at the tomb of his ancestor—such a man was a marvel at that rude age—so beneficent a mortal had never been seen. The Court were equally pleased. His promises, his

professions were still ringing in their ears. This man was to be their apt tool, their willing instrument, their slave in all things—a better substitute for the popular soldier. Mooreed Mahomed Khan was accordingly appointed Minister.

"I need scarcely add that he was a miserable hypocrite, 'a mean, base, fawning parasite.' Let us condemn him for that by all means, but before we include his nation in the condemnation, let us ask ourselves if we have never witnessed similar conduct amongst our own people; if we have never known or heard of men giving up their own convictions, merely to curry favour with their superior—advising him, not according as he ought to be advised, but according as they knew he would like to be advised,—doing this, too, without even the aim which this man had, to become Minister, but simply with a view to stand high in the graces of a great man. If we have heard of such amongst our people, we ought not surely to charge the vice on any nation in particular, though we may well regard the perpetrators of it as the offscourings of their kind—as the Pariahs of the human race."

The following remarks on Wuzer Mahomed will give some idea how Major Malleon uses his materials :—

"Eighteen months later, Wuzer Mahomed died. He was then only fifty-one, but he had spent his whole life in a turmoil of activity. He left behind him the reputation of being the greatest warrior, the most skilful and dashing leader, and the wisest politician, of that part of India. He had amply justified the title with which old Hiyyut Mahomed had saluted him on his first entrance into Bhopal, of 'Saviour of his country.' He alone could have saved it. A great French writer has remarked that 'where nothing great is to be done, the existence of a great man becomes impossible;' but Wuzer Mahomed's career is but one example out of many of the truth of the converse proposition, viz., that where great things are to be achieved, the existence of a great man is assured. Of his exploits I have been able to give in this place but a very faint outline. Those, however, who would care to read what one man, a native of this country, having no European education but wholly self-taught, may be capable of accomplishing, will find Sir John Malcolm's account of the career of Wuzer Mahomed as interesting as it is instructive. To many it will doubtless convey some new ideas."

Again, the allusions to the intrigues for power in this State :—

"It could not be expected that engagements so hollow would last long. There were now three parties in the State, intriguing for supreme power. There was Koodsia Begum, the Regent, striving openly to prolong her tenure of office; Jehangir Mahomed, now titular Nawab, struggling also openly to gain the power as well as the title; and Secunder Begum, his wife, secretly determined to become herself the ruler. It so happened that, at this period, Koodsia Begum had disgusted many even of her own party by her caprices, and the nobles of Bhopal had become weary of the domination of a woman. The British agent also had expressed himself in favour of the claims of the Nawab. Jehangir Mahomed had, therefore, only to wait. Power was fast coming to him, if he had only stood still to take it. Every day augmented his chances, and it was only requisite for him to maintain a cautious silence. This seemed the more easy, as it was certainly the natural course for a man to take in a contest with the more impulsive sex. But Jehangir was not more than half a man. He did not possess the divine faculty of knowing when to speak and when to be silent. He could not restrain the ambitious longings of his soul. Thirsting for power, and despairing of obtaining it by other means, he resolved, therefore, upon a *coup d'état*. It was the month of August, 1836, when the Nawab Jehangir and his wife Secunder Begum gave a grand entertainment to Koodsia Begum, her brothers, and all the nobility of Bhopal. Suspicion was asleep, and the utmost cordiality and good humour prevailed amongst the guests. Yet it was this evening, and this occasion, that Jehangir had chosen with a view to carry out his purpose of seizing Koodsia Begum. The troops in the Fort of Futehgarh and in Bhopal itself were at his disposal, and he had only to give the word to ensure success. Yet though the matter had been well thought over—though Saloolia Khan, his St. Arnaud, had been summoned, and was actually present with his troops in palace, yet the signal to act was not given. Jehangir was barely nineteen; his heart was not yet hardened; he had never yet committed himself to actual blood-

shedding; and as he surveyed that banquetting room, crowded with the nobility of Bhopal, some of them his kinsfolk, many of them his friends, and the others, though devoted to the Begum, not personally hostile to himself, the thought could not but strike him that the attempt to seize the Begum in such an assembly would change the sounds of cheerfulness into shouts of anger, and could be accomplished only at the cost of the best blood in Bhopal. This idea paralysed and unnerved him. He ordered back his troops, and left the deed undone. Meanwhile the secret had transpired. One of the Nawab's chief instruments, furious at his master's weakness, had divulged it to save himself. The Begum and her daughter at once retired, and next morning the Nawab was besieged in his own house by the very troops who, the evening before, had been devoted to his person. 'Men and soldiers,' says Carlyle, 'love intrepidity and swift inflexible decision even when they suffer by it.' Infirmary of purpose is the one crime they cannot pardon."

Our Lecturer finishes thus :—

"One word more. Let me ask now, taking a retrospective glance at this Native State during the hundred and seventy years of its existence, what is the conclusion that must be drawn? As we notice the working of the springs which set its rulers in action, do we not instinctively feel that we,—we Englishmen,—are liable to be acted upon by the same causes, that we are subject to the same impulses,—that we, according to our different natures, are to be equally moved by the passions of ambition, of avarice, of love, of hatred, of revenge? Do we not feel, in fact, that we and they are shaped in the same mould and formed of the same clay? Recollect, for a moment, that civilisation, as we know it, was unknown to those men; that education, as we regard it was, to them, as though it had never existed. Keeping sight of this fact, dare any of us who are here this evening, and who may have the boldness to examine himself,—to delve into his own heart,—dare any of us say, that he would have been braver and more politic than Wuzer Mahomed, more virtuous than his successor, more loyal and resolute than the present able ruler, more prescient than the series of men who adhered, through good and evil report, to the wise policy which Bhopal has followed? Dare any even stand up and declare that he would not have succumbed like some of the others? I, for one, having known and felt how true is the saying of one of our greatest statesmen, that 'not to aspire is to grovel,' I, for one, feel confident that there are few indeed who know themselves, who, recollecting all the circumstances of their position, would dare to stoop down deliberately in order to cast a stone at this native State and its rulers."

A history of India which would embody the history of all its States would require the powers of endurance of an Alison, but the history of these States, kingdoms, and principalities is a desideratum, and will employ the pen of many historians. Major Malleon has shown the way, and has presented his valuable quota towards the great and curious work, or series of works, which, it is to be hoped, will some day be laid before the world. The material is in existence; the Government archives contain an immense store of information, as yet untouched. To Major Malleon we owe many thanks for what he has already dug up, and more for what he has indicated can be found.—*Englishman*.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE REV. MR. BLAND.—We regret to hear of an accident which happened the other day to the Rev. Robert Bland, at Muttra. His horse, going at a hand-gallop on a hard road, stumbled and fell. Mr. Bland was thrown upon his face, and raised up insensible. It is stated that, though the reverend gentleman has not ceased to officiate, the accident, it is apprehended, may produce lasting results.

DURRUM is quite safe; the Bhootas have not made an attempt to molest its inhabitants or to disturb the peace of the district. The precautionary measures taken by Colonel Hopkinson are excellent. Assam has been drained of all its coolies and carts, and great difficulty is therefore felt in obtaining transport for the right columns.

NEW ROADS IN ASSAM.—The Official Supplement to the *Calcutta Gazette* publishes the papers which refer to the new roads in Assam. On the 5th of May, 1863, in a most valuable report, Major Briggs, Superintendent of Works, proposed the construction of a trunk road, 355 miles long, at a cost of upwards of 21 lakhs of rupees, to be completed by the end of 1867. The road was to be unmetalled, and to run from Dubaree, in the Goalparah district, or near the western extremity of the province, to Dibrugarh, near its eastern extremity. It was to be 24 feet wide, and bridged throughout, except at the Dihien and Dhunserree rivers, so as to be available for a light railway. The Government of India agrees with the Lieutenant-governor that such a road, in a province where labour is scarce, cannot be made under 40 lakhs, and sanctions two lines—one, a longitudinal trunk line, following the River Berhampooter; the other, a cross line from the Sylhet River at Chhattuck, the great line port, by Shillong, the hill station of Assam, to Gowhaty, its chief station on the Berhampooter. The first part of the trunk road is being made from Gowhaty to Shillong. Assam proper comprises an area of 34,345 square miles, and has a population of nearly 13,00,000 inhabitants, for whose wants and for so large a tract of country scarcely any means of land communication have as yet been provided.

COOLIE CORPS FOR ASSAM.—The Hon. the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal has sanctioned the formation of a coolie corps for service against Bhootan for conveyance of baggage, &c., on the following terms. The contractors who bring the coolies shall receive five rupees for every man brought into the recruiting depot until examined and passed by the medical officer for service, and two rupees monthly for each while employed with the corps, one head sirdar for every hundred men is to be allowed Rs. 25 per month as salary, one gang sirdar for every twenty men, Rs. 12 per month, each coolie Rs. 10 monthly, the latter is also to receive subsistence allowance from the date of passing for service at the rate of one and a half annas per diem, and is to be supplied with one blanket and one brass lotah at the expense of the State. From the time that the recruit coolie is brought into the depot until he has been passed or rejected by the surgeon he is to receive four annas a day for food and other necessities.

A TURF SCANDAL.—Rumours of a somewhat grave scandal in the sporting world have reached us from Cawnpore, arising from an incident of our late meeting at this station. The publicity already given to the subject by those interested precludes any necessity for being mysterious. The rider of *Bonnie Morn*, one of the competitors in the Arab race on the third day, has been openly accused by a brother officer of having "pulled his horse"—i. e., prevented its winning. From careful enquiries among those present on the occasion, we are inclined to believe the charge is altogether a mistake, and that the race was really run on its merits. A glance at the "terms" of the race of itself affords strong presumptive evidence for concluding this, *Bonnie Morn* having given the winner no less than 1st. 12lbs. over a distance of three miles. Better than all, however, we have the hitherto unimpeached, and probably still unimpeachable, reputation of Captain Williams himself.—*Pioneer*.

COLONEL CROSSMAN is about to vacate the command of the Lahore Light Horse for that of the 12th Bengal Cavalry at Meerut. Major Delane will, it is said, get the Lahore Light Horse, and his appointment may be regarded as the first step towards converting it into the Viceroy's Body Guard.

THE 6TH BENGAL CAVALRY have received orders to march and be cantoned at Sealkote, thus completing the abandonment of the cantonments at Umritsur.

CASH BALANCES.—The following is the statement of Cash Balances in the Government Treasuries in India at the close of the month of December, 1864, contrasted with that of the previous years:—

According to the present limits of the several Governments.	1862. Dec.	1863. Dec.	1864. Dec.
Govt. of India	Co's Rs. 5,84,16,905	Co's Rs. 3,20,99,062	Co's Rs. 1,42,99,094
" Bengal	1,51,70,444	1,86,25,314	1,63,89,849
" N.W. Provinces	3,17,11,752	3,20,50,495	2,59,43,248
" Punjab	1,18,45,818	1,14,54,059	1,35,84,128
" Bombay	3,06,51,204	1,72,54,770	1,72,31,673
" Central Provs.	46,43,044	37,24,485	38,60,085
" Deccan	14,29,865	22,97,921	7,74,041
" Madras	2,27,69,473	3,10,79,703	1,96,96,363
Total.....	18,33,36,340	14,92,85,819	11,17,83,087

According to the above table there is an increase in December, 1864, as compared with December, 1863:—

Punjab	21,31,069
Central Provinces	1,35,600=22,69,659

The decrease is:—

India	1,77,30,964
Madras	1,13,82,740
N.W.P.	61,07,347
Bengal	22,85,465
Deccan	15,23,880
Bombay	7,33,095=3,97,71,391

The following is the total decrease:—

As compared with 1862	7,15,53,253
As compared with 1863	8,75,02,728

The subjoined table shows the comparison between November and December for the past three years:—

Month.	1862.	1863.	1864.
December	18,33,36,340	14,92,85,810	11,17,83,087
November	16,84,89,802	15,60,51,855	10,28,85,257

Increase for December ... 1,48,46,538 ... 1,42,03,955 ... 88,97,830

The largest increase was in 1862, the increase in 1863 was nearly equal to it, however, but in 1864 there is a large falling off, of which it is useless to expect the tables published to afford any explanation. As compared with 1862, the increase in 1864 is less by 59,48,708 rupees, and, as compared with 1862, the decrease is 53,06,125 rupees. Further comment is not required to show that these balances have not been judiciously used.

NORTH WEST AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.—As our readers are already aware, it was under the auspices of this Association that the recent exhibition was held at Agra. The constitution of this body is curious; the patron is the Lieutenant Governor, which is just as it should be; but then it has 576 members and 109 governors. The distinction between these two classes is due to each individual of the former paying only five rupees per annum, while each of the latter pays fifty, with this further difference, that all governing officers are chosen from among them only; as a natural consequence, there is a great deal of discontent, and under the orders of the Lieutenant Governor a general reference has been made to the entire constituency, whether the institution should not be remodelled, and the anomalous distinction done away with.

MONGHYR.—A large tiger, measuring ten feet two inches from the point of the nose to the tip of the tail, and four feet in height, was shot on the 2nd February, on foot, by three indigo planters with smooth bored guns, near Mungoul Factory. This ferocious animal had been prowling about the neighbourhood for some days, committing numerous ravages amongst natives and cattle; in fact, this beast was so much dreaded by the natives of the neighbourhood that they were afraid to go any distance from the villages, and the delight shown by men, women, and children at the death of this monster was surprising to witness.

ROYAL ENGINEERS.—Lieutenants Firebrace, Holdich, and Savi, of the Royal Engineers, just arrived from England by the *Mooltan*, have been ordered to proceed and join the head-quarters of the Engineers at Roorkee.

LITIGATION OUT OF THE MUTINY.—The case of Nadir Mirza v. the Secretary of State is of some importance as showing the kind of litigation which is now attracting considerable attention in Oudh, and which is regarded with dislike by the authorities, and with suspicion by the talookdars. Nadir Mirza is a descendant of that Begum of Gonda who, out of jealousy to the Nawab Vizier of Oudh, besought the interference of the British Government, and offered to make the Company her residuary legatee, if the English would acknowledge her independence. On her death her property, amounting to nearly a million sterling, was made over to the Nawab Vizier, who, on his part, furnished the Government with a sum sufficient to yield at six per cent. interest a fund capable of defraying the charges under the Begum's will for certain pensions, hereditary and otherwise. The plaintiff under this arrangement drew at the time of the mutiny a pension of Rs. 6,971 per month, but being unable to resist the temptation to ambitious spirits presented by the *bouleversement* in Oudh, he joined the mutineers, and particularly associated himself with a man who, with the usual Mahomedan disregard of the general interests, set himself up as the Nawab of Goruckpore. On the conquest of the country the plaintiff fled from Oudh, and was absent until after the period of grace allowed in the Queen's Proclamation had expired; he came in, however, under a letter written by Major Barrow, and he now claims that if annexed at all he should be annexed in estate as well as in person. The whole contention turns, of course, upon the construction put upon Major Barrow's letter and upon its sanction, express or implied, by the Supreme Government. The Secretary of State, in reply, denies the jurisdiction of the Court, considering the matter one of "State policy," pleads the sentence of a former Court in Oudh, and the Statute of Limitation, and winds up with the *dernier resort* of quoting Section 2 of Act XXXIV. of 1860. The case has been appealed, and is therefore to a certain extent still *sub judice*: we abstain in consequence from any comment as to the merits or demerits of Nadir Mirza's contention. The case is one of great interest and importance, as upon its decision, in all probability, will hinge the "to be or not to be" of a perfect flood of similar suits.—*Hurkaru*.

FATAL DRINKING MATCH.—A newswriter at Rawulpindee says:—"Evidently serious doubts, and perhaps much boasting, about the rum drinking capacities of the two corps here, led a few besotted fools of one to challenge an equal number of the same stamp of the other, and a regular rum (wherever a sufficient supply was obtained from) contest ensued. The result was that one man (who must have died of suffocation on the spot) was picked up a corpse in the morning, and a second, but for the timely pumping of about half a gallon, more or less, of rum from his stomach, must within a few minutes have been suffocated also."

LIEUT. WHISH.—We have stated elsewhere in the matter of the drowning of a Meywarree whilst acting as a beater for Lieut. Whish, of H.M.'s 103rd regt., it had been settled that the Lieut. should make a pensionary allowance to the family of the deceased. Considering the result of the inquiry, the Commander-in-Chief has negatived this proposal, and the matter has therefore been referred to the Supreme Government.

THE MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONERS for the suburbs of Calcutta lately suggested to Government that each of them be invested with the powers of a magistrate; this has been negatived by the Government.

MR. C. W. V. BRADFORD, M.A., lately arrived from England for employment in the Educational Department, is to be appointed temporarily to officiate as a Professor in the Presidency College.

SMALLPOX IN THE TRIBUTARY MEHALS.—South and west of Midnapore there is a large and but partially known tract of hilly country, known as the "Tributary Mehals," and inhabited by various tribes, as the Khonds, the Gondahs, Hulwas, Bhuttias, &c.; the principal tribes are the Ooryahs and the Mooryahs. Some years ago the smallpox made its appearance in these jungles and swept off numbers of the inhabitants; whole villages were depopulated, and the people were horror-struck at its ravages. We regret to learn that this fatal epidemic has again made its appearance in their villages in a very virulent form, and that numbers have resolved to abandon the country rather than stay and face the destroyer. It was amongst these hills that the Meriah sacrifices obtained, which have been put down with so much trouble. The priests, ever on the watch for a chance which might be turned to a profitable account, have not been slow to spread the report that the smallpox has been sent by the goddess to punish the tribes for depriving her of the human sacrifices her worship and honour demand. The district is one of the heaviest jungle tracts in India, and is celebrated for its fivers. We trust the Government will take some measures to extend assistance to these wretched tribes, although we are free to confess the duty is one of no ordinary difficulty, and even danger.—*Hurkaru.*

NATIVE PRINCES ON THEIR TRAVELS.—The sons of the Nawab Nazim of Bengal leave by the present steamer on a visit to England. Colonel Herbert has received instructions, in which, as is proper, a great deal is left to his own tact and judgment. To lay down minute rules of conduct would be to defeat the aim of the Government, whilst by leaving a wide margin to Colonel Herbert's own good sense, and the good feeling of his charges, room will be left for the establishment of a confidence and respect on the part of these young men which can only end to their benefit. They are to be spoken of and addressed as Mirza, but only during their stay in England, and as a special mark of favour; the distinction is not to be extended to the other sons of his Highness. Colonel Herbert will report himself as soon after his arrival as possible to the Secretary of State, from whom he will receive instructions as to the introduction of the Mirzas into society and as to their presentation at Court. Having regard to the position they may hereafter occupy, Colonel Herbert will have to keep them from hangers on, and unworthy or vicious pastimes, and to direct their attention to the English factories, dockyards, and especially to the agricultural systems most in vogue. We regret to find that his Highness the Nawab Nazim seems to regard the very liberal allowance granted to his sons as inadequate for the occasion.—*Hurkaru.*

PRESIDENCY COLLEGE.—In connection with the recent successful termination of the examinations for the degree of M.A., it was forced upon the attention of Mr. Atkinson that there was no fund from which students who had passed for B.A. could be provided with scholarships to enable them to continue their studies for the higher degree; under these circumstances he has determined to utilise the several funds attached to the old Hindoo College. From the invested capital of these funds seven scholarships have been established, and an M.A. class formed in the Presidency College. These scholarships are divided into three classes, two of fifty rupees, two of forty rupees, and three of thirty rupees per mensem; these scholarships are, however, only open to those B.A. candidates who may belong to the Presidency College.

THE SMALL-POX EPIDEMIC has spread all over Upper India. Advices from Rajpootana, Bhopal, the Punjab and Nepal speak of its ravages. We are glad to learn, however, that vaccination is being prosecuted vigorously, and that it is making good progress.

WOLF TRAPS.—A newswriter in Oudh states that the wolves in that province have carried off so many children, besides committing havoc among live stock, that the attention of the Chief Commissioner was directed to the subject. He has offered liberal rewards for the destruction of the animals, and has also ordered the entertainment of *shikarees* to trace and kill them. Moreover, a trap has been devised, which is said to answer the purpose of entrapping them admirably. A well 10 feet deep and 4 feet in diameter is dug, and covered over lightly with straw: a lamb or a kid is then fastened in the centre of it; the wolf is attracted to its prey, and in seizing it tumbles into the well, where it remains till destroyed. These wells are to be found in every district, and the number of wolves destroyed by this means is very large.

MR. ROBERT ABERCROMBIE, the Dacca Judge, has been appointed to the Behar Opium Agency. This case will help to illustrate somewhat the case of Mr. Buckle, which has created so much stir among the members of the Civil Service. Mr. Abercrombie is known to have declined an offer of promotion to the High Court Bench, for the reason that he did not believe himself possessed of the necessary judicial training. He has now been removed from the judicial branch of the service, and promoted at the same time. He is a most able and energetic officer, and, perhaps, unlike others, is content to be modest and own his weak points, and so his promotion is deserved; at the same time it shows that Mr. Beadon is resolved to carry out a reform in the judicial branch of the Civil Service under his control.

PERILS OF INDIAN SPORT.—Some disturbance took place a short time ago in Oodeypore, in consequence of a man who had gone out with Lieutenant Whish having been accidentally drowned in endeavouring to recover some game which that officer had shot; the villagers made a great hubbub, and insisted that the poor fellow had met his death by foul means. The case was investigated, and Lieutenant Whish entirely exonerated from blame. It has now been settled that he shall pension the family of the deceased. Officers when in the territories of native princes cannot be too careful and guarded in their intercourse with the natives.

OFFICIAL DIARIES.—In the Punjab the Government make it a point to require from civil officers, while touring through their districts, an account of what they see and hear about the people. The Chief Commissioner of Oudh has imitated this practice by instructing his subordinates to keep regular diaries during their tours through their respective districts. They are required to report on the condition of the population, the resources of the country, the capabilities of the soil, and such other matters of statistical interest as might come under their observation. It is strange that the necessity of such expedients for making themselves acquainted with the country should have only now become apparent to the officers of the Government.

OFFICIAL CHANGES IN DINAGPORE.—The district of Dinagpore is shortly to be denuded of all its principal public officers, and their places supplied by new ones. Privilege leave has already been granted to Mr. Edwin Sandys, the Civil and Session Judge: we now hear that Mr. H. B. Simpson, the Magistrate and Collector, also goes away on leave very soon, and that Mr. J. B. Worgan, the Joint Magistrate and Deputy Collector, has received permission to proceed to Europe on furlough for one year: he leaves India in April.

THE COSSIAH AND JYNTIAH TRIBES have taken up arms to decide some boundary dispute, and fighting has taken place in the hills. The Superintendent of the Survey Department has proceeded to the scene of hostilities to settle the differences, and to bring the chiefs to reason, if possible.

MAHOMEDAN PROGRESS.—We (*Hurkaru*) see from the proceedings of the last meeting of the Mahomedan Literary Society that the Lieutenant-governor of Bengal has accepted the office of patron to the society, a fact in which the secretary, Moulvie Abdool Luteef, takes a justifiable pride, as marking the "permanence and stability" of the association he has had so much difficulty in firmly establishing. This society promises to be of the greatest use to the Mahomedan community. Its aim would seem to be to remove from the followers of the prophet the slur which has been cast upon them by their indifference to the great educational movement which is now permeating all Bengal with its influence. The committee feeling themselves in a satisfactory position, pecuniarily speaking, have determined to offer prizes for the best essays on certain subjects connected with Moslemism, or the history and well-being of India. Six hundred rupees will be given for the best essays on the following subjects:—1st. "The Life of the Prophet" (Persian). 2nd. "History of the Kaaba" (Persian). 3rd. "Life of Aurungzebe" (Urdu). 4th. "The Hindooism of Indian Mahomedans" (Urdu). 5th. "History of Locomotion" (Urdu). 6th. "History of Printing and its Influence on Civilisation" (Urdu). We could wish the suggestion of Moulvie Mahomed Abdool Ruwoof had been partially adopted, and prizes given for essays in English. It should be as much the aim of the society to enkindle in their co-religionists an interest in English science and learning, as to revive the drooping energies of their national literature.

SUTTEE IN RAJPOOTANA.—There have been lately two instances of suttee in Beekaneer: these complete six in that district within fifteen years. In general, on such occasions the immediate servants of the raj keep aloof, if they do not display any active interference to prevent the sacrifice; but in the instances now reported there was an unusual display of drums, flags, and officials of more or less influence. The Maharajah himself was away at one of his country seats: he did not hear of the suttees till after they had been completed. He will, however, be held responsible for them; unless, indeed, he has the firmness and courage to seize and severely punish the men about him, who, to further their own ends or gratify their revenge, use their opportunities to injure their master and his more favoured advisers in the estimation of the British Government.

THE RUSSIANS IN CENTRAL ASIA.—According to the Cabool correspondent of the *Delhi Gazette*, whose latest date is February 16, authentic intelligence has been received by a Cabool merchant from Toorkistan, to the effect that the Russians had marched for Oorgunge, and had been allowed by the King of Bokhara to go to Yarkund, Kashghur, and Buddukhsan. In their application to the King of Bokhara, the Russians are said to have stated that they were merely going to explore the mines at those three places. It is said that there are silver and copper mines at Yarkund and Kashghur, and ruby and crystal ones at Buddukhsan.

MR. J. S. SPANKIE, C.S.—It will be recollected that Mr. J. S. Spankie, of the Civil Service, was removed from public employment for contumacious behaviour towards the Lieutenant-Governor. It has since been discovered that at the time Mr. Spankie so misconducted himself he was labouring under temporary mental derangement, induced by repeated and violent attacks of congestion of the brain, when employed as magistrate and collector of the Chittagong district; thereupon a special pension of £250 per annum has been granted to him by the Secretary of State, on the recommendation of the Government of India.

THE RAJAH OF ULWAR has given his sanction to the construction of a line of railway through his territories.

BOARD OF REVENUE.—It was believed in high quarters some time ago that on the retirement of Messrs. Allen and Grote a change would probably be made in the constitution of the Board of Revenue, or, rather, that the Board would be abolished, and a new department created to carry on the work under a responsible secretary. The tendency now that the Government of the country is yearly increasing in efficiency and despatch is to do away with as much of the cumbrous machinery of the administration as possible. Mr. Allen has already retired, and we wait to see if the change will be carried out, or the Board continued in its old form.

THE MAHARAJAH OF GWALIOR.—His Highness has resolved on a pilgrimage to Kashee. Accordingly, pundits and astrologers having been sent for, the Maharajah desired them to consult their books, and to let him know the auspicious day on which he was to leave for Kashee. The astrologers made their calculations, and informed his Highness that the 20th February, about three o'clock, was the luckiest time for the Maharajah to start; tents were ordered to be pitched near the Jahnuck Tal, and a little while after the Maharajah, with about five hundred sepoys and sowars, went out to the camp.

AN AWKWARD PREDICAMENT.—Colonel Vesey, of her Majesty's 46th, was recently out shooting in the Shahjehanpore district. During one of his excursions he narrowly escaped being savagely mauled if not killed by a tiger a few days ago; the elephant having turned tail, caused the howda and its occupants to be thrown violently on the ground close to the tiger, who astonished, it is presumed, at the occurrence bolted into the jungle, and was seen no more, leaving the sportsmen to pick themselves up, no doubt very thankful for their narrow escape.

DARJEELING.—The local Government, on the representation of the late Deputy-commissioner of Darjeeling, Mr. H. C. Wake, has accorded its sanction to the expenditure of Rs. 10,000 for the establishment of a good and durable communication between the Runjeet, the post on the Teesta, and Dumong. Major Reid, the present Deputy-commissioner, has been authorised to advance Rs. 1,000 for the commencement of the work, and to disburse the remainder on the completion of the same.

COMPENSATION TO CAPTAIN LEWIS.—The Government has liberally sanctioned the payment of Rs. 3,350 to Captain H. Lewis, harbour-master at Rangoon, and formerly commander of the hospital ship *Bentuck*, as compensation for the loss of property, stores, &c., occasioned by the wreck of that vessel in the cyclone of October last.

MR. W. PURDON, C.E., is to be Superintending Engineer of the Punjab, Colonel Taylor succeeding Colonel MacLagan as Secretary in the Public Works Department of that province. Mr. Purdon is not the first civil engineer who has invaded the preserves of the commissioned officers of the Public Works Department.

SURGEON-MAJOR A. H. CHEKE, Civil Surgeon of Benares, who has just returned from sick furlough to Europe, is brought upon the list of deputy-inspectors-general of hospitals, and appointed to the charge of the Dinapore circle, in succession to Dr. R. B. Kinsey, proceeding to England on medical certificate.

MR. C. S. CARNAC, C.S.—The Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal has transferred Mr. C. S. Carnac, C.S., Civil and Sessions Judge of Jessore, to the district of Dacca, in the room of Mr. R. Abercrombie, appointed Opium Agent of Behar, vice T. C. Trotter, retired on annuity.

UNCOVENANTED SERVICE BANK.—This Bank has declared a dividend of rupees sixteen per cent., or rupees eight per share, for the half year ending 31st December last.

CROQUET MATCH.—A grand croquet match was to come off in the month of March at the station of Moradabad, to be played by some of the ladies resident there, for a prize of a gold pencil case. Major Pierce is to be the umpire.

DALHOUSIE.—The Rev. Mr. Lewin, whose management of the Landour Academy made him so deservedly popular, has opened a school for Christian lads at Dalhousie.

THE RAJAH OF BOONDEE has left his territories on a visit to Benares. He is accompanied by Captain Blair, the Assistant Political Agent of the Herowtie district.

LAND ASSOCIATION.—The Luckeempore Land Association of Oudh has declared a dividend of one thousand rupees per cent.!

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 4. Copenhagen, Cowie, Madras.—6. Consul, Barclay, Liverpool.—7. Patricia, Robinson, Galle; British Trident, Wright, Auckland; Calabar, Thompson, Bombay.—8. Bengal, Mailard, Bordeaux.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Calabar.—Mr. Thompson.

DEPARTURES.

March 5. Portland, City of Paris, Dinapore, Volta.—6. Whitehall, Orient, Red Rose.—7. str. Orissa, Punjab, Lord Macaulay, Hannibal, Haddington (ports not mentioned).—10. Nial str. Candia, Suva.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Bhima.—For BOMBAY.—Mr. and Mrs. E. Simpson Byrne and child. For MADRAS.—Mrs. and Miss Moule. Per str. Orissa.—For CHITTAGONG.—Mrs. and Miss Beverley. Mrs. and Miss Jackson. For AKYAB.—Mr. and Mrs. Corry. Per str. Coringa.—For RANGOON.—Capt. E. W. Childers, Mrs. Childers and three children. For MOULMEIN.—Mr. E. Paiz, Master Young. For SINGAPORE.—Mr. W. A. Peacock, Mr. G. Matthews. Per mail str. Candia.—For MADRAS.—Mr. and Mrs. Hadden, Mr. and Mrs. Forbes and infant, Mrs. Scott, Mr. Wattenbach. For GALLE.—Paymaster R. Anderson, Mrs. Buist and two children, Mr. J. D. Ward. For MELBOURNE.—Mrs. Reid and two children. For SYDNEY.—Mr. J. F. Wilson, Mrs. Brind and child. For SEZ.—Mr. Stewart. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. and Mrs. McGavin, Capt. and Mrs. Newmarch, Mr. and Mrs. Tegg and child, Mrs. Dunlop, Miss Sandeman. For MALTA.—Maj. and Mrs. Blander. For MARSEILLES.—Mr. Gordon, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Trotter, Miss Trotter, Mr. and Mrs. McNiel, Mr. and Mrs. Perry and family, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer, three sons of his Highness the Nawab Nazim of Bengal and family, Col. Herbert and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Allen, Capt. Tapley, the Rev. J. G. Bunney. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Col. B. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Agnew and family, Mr. Benke, Mrs. Thullier and family, Mrs. J. R. Grant, Miss Moultrie, Maj. Saunders.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, March 6, 1865.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price
4 per Cent., Sa.	Sa. Rs. 80	Rs. 88 12 to 89 0
Do. Transfer Stock.	Sa. Rs. 90	90
4 per Cent., Co's Rs.	Co's Rs. 94 1/2	89 4 to 89 8
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co's Rs. 100	8 8 to 3 10 pm.
5 1/2 per Cent.	Co's Rs. 100	102 to 102 4
5 per cent., 56-57.	Co's Rs. 100	108 to 108 12

EXCHANGE.

	On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight	2 1/2 to 2 15-16
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight	2 1/3-16 to 2 1/2
Bills with Docs.	at 6 months' sight	2 1/4 to 2 1/2
Bank Post Bills	at 1 months' sight	2 0 to 2 0 1/2

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paid-up.	Quoted at
	Rs. each.	Rs.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	1400 to 1410
Alliance Tea Company	85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	200	510 to 520
Balaun Tea Company	100	135 to 140
Bank of Bengal	1000	1925
Beerbhoo Coal Company	1000	7900 to 8200
Bengal Coal Company	1000	818 to 850
Bengal Printing Company	100	15 to 10 dis.
Bengal River Company	1000	676 to 680
Bengal Tea Company	500	337 to 340
Bengal Tea Company	100	185 to 188
Bengal Tea Company	100	183
Bengal Oil Company	250	par Nominal
Bengal Credit Merchant (Lanc.)	100	90
B. Sinauth Tea Company	200	235 to 240
B. Sinauth Tea Company	10	3 to 4 pm.
Bonded Warehouse Association	445	650
Borokai Tea Company (Limited)	25	par
British India Tea	80	par
Brunton's Press Company (Limited)	50	5 to 10 pm.
Burdwan Stone Company	100	75 to 80
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	185
Ditto (Contributory)	115	15 to 16 dis.

Cachar Tea Company	600	725 to 730
Ditto	450	50 to 55 pm.
Calcutta Docking Company	700	1350 to 1370
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	585 to 600
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	52	62
Central Assam Tea Company	100	101
Central Cachar Tea Company	200	275 to 280
Ditto, new shares	200	260 to 263
Chatlawhar Tea Company	25	5 to 10 dis.
Commercial Transport Association	100	par
Dehra Doon Tea Company	100	90 to 93
Delhi Bank Corporation	500	710
Dooh Teria Tea Company	100	95 to 97
Dooteriah Tea Company (Limited)	100	96 to 97
Durrug Tea Company	45	5 dis.
E. B. Indigo Company	100	75 to 80
East India Coal Company	100	33 to 34
East India Railway Company	218	216
East India Tea Company	100	118 to 120
Ditto, contributory	80	12 to 13 pm.
Eastern Bengal Tea Company	50	55 to 56
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	135 to 130
Ditto, contributory	85	20 to 22 pm.
Eastern Bengal Railway Company	218	216
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000	1335
Easton and Company	250	220 to 225
Equitable Coal Company	250	215 Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	500	Nominal
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	250
Gola Ghaut Tea Company	250	308
Ditto new shares	250	272 to 275
Goosery Cotton Mills	60	8 to 10 dis.
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	590
Hooghly Steam Tug Company	1000	1210 to 1225
Hooghly Lighter Association	60	10 to 15 dis.
Hope Town Tea Association	100	105
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	105
Howrah Docking Company	500	515
Hunter and Company	250	200 to 220
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	505 to 515
Jorehaut Tea Company	200	745 to 750
Kunchinore Tea Company	10-0	250
Ditto, contributory	125	20 to 25 pm.
Kurseong and Darjeeling Tea Co.	250	245 to 248
Ditto, contributory	125	3 to 5 dis.
Landing Shipping	100	20 to 25 dis.
Lebonz and Minchou Tea Company	65	par to 5 pm.
Locty Cotton Screw Company	25	par
Lower Assam Tea Company	35	par
Luckimpore Tea Company	155	60 to 55 pm.
Moucherra Tea Company	60	par
Moran Tea Company (Limited)	70	11 to 14 pm.
Muttuck Tea Company	50	par
Mutual Tea Company	100	123
Ditto, contributory	70	16 to 18 pm.
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	272 1/2
New Fort Gloster Company	600	1400 to 1450
North-West Indigo Company	100	70 to 75
North-West Screwing Company	50	par
Oriental Gas Company	51	12 to 13
Peoples Bank of India	100	75 to 80
Port Canning Land Company	1000	330 pm.
Punjab Bank	100	120 to 123
Punjab Trading	75	10 pm.
Punjab Tea Company	100	100
Ditto	37	par Nominal
Ramghur Tea Company	100	par
Ditto	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	144
R. Scott & Co. and Company	500	500
Scriwing Company (Limited)	200	185
Sea Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.
Seehauger Tea Company	100	82
Simla Bank	500	650 to 655
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Soom Tea Company	80	12 to 15 pm.
Soorisore Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1510
Ditto	750	450 to 450 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100	78 to 80
Spence's Hotel Company	250	230
Strand Pressing Company (Limited)	62 1/2	9 to 10 pm.
Sulhet and Cachar Tea Company	200	165 to 170
Tirhoot Indigo	200	200 to 203
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	200 to 205
Ditto, contributory	70	par
Union Steam Tug Company	250	220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	100	180 to 183
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to 240
Ditto, contributory	190	14 to 16 dis.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
Saltpetre	£1 10 to 0 0 0	1 0 0 1 5 0
Sugar	Nominal.	Nominal.
Rice	do.	do.
Seeds	2 17 6 to 3 0 0	2 10 0 0 0 0
Jute	2 17 6 to 3 5 0	3 0 0 0 0 0
Cotton	3 5 0 to 3 10 0	3 15 0 4 0 0

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE NIZAM OF THE DECCAN.—His Highness's revenues are inadequate to the expenditure of the State, and the good faith of the British Government is likely to be appealed to, with a view to extricate him from his embarrassments. Under the able administration of Salar Jung, all that could be has been done to restore the finances, which years of mismanagement had thrown into disorder before he assumed the responsible and trying office which he holds; and he might have succeeded in ordinary times. But there have been unusual demands upon H.H.'s Government. According to a news writer in the *Englishman*, the dear-

ness of provisions has led to the Government increasing its expenditure by twelve lakhs of rupees in enhanced salaries to the poorer classes of its servants; and, under good advice, customs and duties have been reduced; a measure indubitably beneficial to the country, which diminishes the income of the country by ten lakhs more. An enhanced demand upon the Government for twenty-two lakhs a year will be difficult to meet; and Mr. Yule is said to be anxious to provide against the coming difficulties; and for this purpose it is said that the Nizam's stamps have been substituted in the cantonment of Secunderabad for the English Government's. Other measures will in this way be devised, but whatever they may be, they will be long in creeping up to the amount of the existing deficit. The treaty of 1860 provides that, after deducting a certain sum from the revenues of the assigned districts to meet the expenses of the Contingent, the surplus will be made over to the Nizam. This surplus is now available, and the general presumption is that, as right and proper, it will be made over to the Nizam. There is, however, a talk that, under the terms of the same treaty, which gives the British Government unlimited power over the expenses of the assigned districts, the balance is to be expended on public works. There is no denying that public works are a necessity in any part of India, and as much in any part of British India as out of it. We believe, however, that the Financial Department look upon the income of the assigned districts as much a portion of the imperial revenue as the collections from Bengal or Madras, and there is no likelihood of the treaty being interpreted to the Nizam's benefit.—*Hurkaru*.

SIR WILLIAM DENISON'S MINUTES ON HIS LATE TOUR have been published, and form a very clear exposition of his policy as Governor. He has taken up very earnestly and at an opportune time the task of infusing some mechanical knowledge among the ryots of this country. He is justly of opinion that if the natives can be persuaded to use other implements than those they have been accustomed to, a little freedom of inquiry will have been acquired which may lead to adaptations of the machines imported from England to the special requirements of this country. The winnowing machine is in high favour among them, as are several ploughs and the scythe. The scythe will undoubtedly supersede the reaping-hook, but it will take some time to induce people who have grown good crops of paddy for years, with a plough, which, with modern improvements, can be purchased for one rupee, to invest in an imported article, the value of which cannot be completely tested for many months, perhaps years. The Governor was much disappointed at the sight of unfinished roads and bridges and culverts which he saw during his tour, and all of which were commenced as portions of useful works. So strong is his condemnation of the practice of stopping a work once begun, because an unexpected demand is made upon the exchequer, that he proposes to raise money on loan, if it be impossible to raise it by any other means, in order that the money spent upon unfinished works may not be utterly lost.—*Athenæum*.

A HARBOUR FOR MADRAS.—The mercantile world of Madras has lately been engaged in the discussion of a harbour scheme for Madras. The scheme has been brought forward by an engineer in the employ of a Cotton Press Company, and has received an amount of favour unintelligible, save on the ground that our merchants want to appear to be doing something for the oldest Presidency in India. A committee has been formed of members of "old and young" houses, whose duty it will be to consult with scientific men as to the feasibility of the project. Such an outline of the proposals of the engineers as has appeared will not recommend itself to those of our readers who are familiar with the coast.

It is proposed to carry a portion of the island away, leaving in its place a basin about thirty feet deep, reckoning from the level of high water. This basin is to be connected with the sea by simply cutting through the bar and throwing out on each side of the opening solid masonry piers about half the length of the screw pile pier, that is, within the breakers of a moderate surf. The water between the piers is to be kept at its proper depth by means of steam dredges and the flushing of the Cooum. Beyond the little exercise which it will afford to a few gentlemen in the business of committee men, we do not think that any good will come of it.—*Athenæum*.

A VEDA SAMAJ, corresponding to the Brahma-Samaj of Bengal, has been formed at Madras. Its chief object is to encourage a "pure theism free from superstitious absurdities." The members are to observe existing ceremonies only when they are indispensable, or when their omission would hurt the feelings of Hindus so as to be prejudicial to the interests of the Veda-Samaj; they are gradually to give up all distinctions and amalgamate the different branches of the same caste; they are to disregard sectarianism and tolerate the views of strangers; they are never to encourage nautches, or violate the laws of justice, veracity, temperance and chastity; they are to encourage the re-marriage of widows and discourage early marriages; they are to have but one wife; and they are to advance the cause of female and general education. These, with a few less important conditions, form the covenant which the members have to make.

HALF BATTAL OR FULL BATTAL?—The "G.O.G.G." abolishing half batta has been taken advantage of wherever possible by military men whose regiments are not at full batta stations. There is, however, a difference of opinion between military officers in civil employ and the Madras Government as to the extent of the application of the order. It seems clear to our mind that any officer who draws half batta in Madras now, and would if he were in civil employ at a full batta station draw full batta, is entitled to full batta in Madras. The general order was issued mainly to abolish local advantages with respect to pay. We quote the Government Order on the subject:—

"The Governor in Council is clearly of opinion that military and medical officers holding civil appointments, who have hitherto drawn only half batta rate of regimental allowances in addition to civil salary, are not entitled to the full batta rate of allowance authorised by the G.O.G.G. under date Jan. 6 last. Such officers must be considered to come under the category of officers holding staff appointments, who are expressly excepted from the operations of the order in question."

The last sentence in this is particularly unique. If these officers had been expressly excepted, the Governor in Council would not have been called upon for an opinion; they would have come under, instead of being "considered" to come under, the category, &c.—*Athenæum*.

"THE BANNER OF TRUTH."—A Madras society of native Christians called the "Sathia Veda Sanajam," or The True Veda Society, has started a monthly journal in English called "The Banner of Truth." The first number is favourably noticed by contemporaries.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 2. Devonshire, Colk. Freemantle.—4. Queen of Ceylon, Maillard, London.—5. Andromeda, Dunbury, Monte Video.—6. King of Tumps, Tondous, Sarenap.—9. Eagle S. ed. Bonden, Auckland.—11. P. and O. Co.'s str. Nubia, Stewart, Suez; Widoua Miles, Babot, Galle.—12. Kauri, Chapelle, Singapore; Webfoot, Slurrock, Aden.

DEPARTURES.

March 3. Edendale, Ritchie, Rangoon; Thomas Wood, Godi, Akvab; Ko. de. Rutter, London.—5. Devonshire, H. B. Calcutta; L. n. Cooper, Calcutta.—6. Andromeda, Dunbury, Akvab; Moshesh, Vidat, Bourbon.—9. Taboran, Coote, London.—11. Eagle Speed, Brazilian, Calcutta; P. and O. str. Nubia, Stewart, Calcutta.—12. Merchantman, Gardener, London.

COMMERCIAL.

Madras, March 13, 1865.

BANK OF MADRAS.

Interest on Loans on deposit of Govt Securities... 11 per ct.
On Cash Credit on do. (subject to commission of 1 per cent. on the sum granted, on amount drawn... 10 per ct.
Discount on Government Bills... 9 per ct.
Ditto on Private Bills, at or within 3 months... 13 per ct.
Loans on deposit of Government paper... 9 per ct.

EXCHANGES.

Document Bills, at 6 months' sight... 2 1
Credit to 6 months... 2 0½
Agents' Bills on England, at 6 months... 2 0½
" " at 3 months... 2 0½
" " at 1 month... 2 0
" " at sight... 1 11½
H.M.'s Treasury Bills... None.
Bank of England Post Bills... None.
Mauritius Government Bills... Nominal.
Ceylon ditto... "

RATES OF ADVANCE.

On Govt. 5½ per cent. Promissory Notes... 109 per ct.
Ditto 5 ditto ditto... 95 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto... 90 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Stock Receipts... 80 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Promissory Notes Sica... 55 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto Company's... 55 per ct.
Ditto 3½ ditto ditto ditto... — per ct.
On Tanjore ditto ditto ditto... 95 per ct.

PRICE OF BULLION.

Sovereigns... each Rs. 10-3-6

FREIGHTS.

London and Liverpool.—Sugar, £1. 5s.; Indigo, £3. 7s. 6d.;
Rides and Skins, £3. 10s.; Cotton, £3. 5s.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

TROMBAY ISLAND.—We are glad to hear that a strong company has already been formed, and will be brought out, irrespectively of any concession from Government of the right to make a causeway between the two islands, to connect Trombay with Bombay either by a railway or by a service of steamers, and to build residences on the slopes of the former island for the houseless office people of Bombay. We have strong doubts of the possibility of reclaiming land at a profit for the purpose of building dwelling-houses on it, and are much afraid that, if the land were reclaimed, whoever went to live on it would have an opportunity of verifying by personal experience the literal accuracy of the Scriptural parable about the foolish man who built his house upon the sand. "And the rains descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell, and great was the fall of it." But we have always been of opinion that a cheap and healthful suburb might easily be created on the Island of Trombay; and it is a good thing for the community that this long-talked of project has at last been taken up in earnest.—*Bombay Gazette*.

A STRANGE STORY.—Dhurrumdass Vullubdass, the well-known *Naitcha* and Goorakoo manufacturer of Kurrachee and Bombay, who is a native of Tatta, has recently been made the victim of one of the most extraordinary frauds that has ever come within our knowledge. To add to the man's misfortune, his caste people have converted the affair into a pretext for his expulsion from their brotherhood, as usual, to extort money from him, both by compelling him to support the instrument used to dupe him, and by imposing the giving of a certain number of caste dinners. With this prologue we shall proceed to narrate what we have to say. Dhurrumdass has a younger brother depending on him, whom he wished to get settled in life. The two accordingly went to their native place, Tatta, where Dhurrumdass, by the intervention of friends, succeeded in obtaining what he supposed to be a most eligible partner for his brother. Preliminaries over, a thousand rupees were laid out on the marriage ceremony, and everything augured well. The bride was brought home in due course, and, to the horror of Dhurrumdass, his brother rushed frantically to him, crying out, in the deepest distress, that the bride was neither a man nor

a woman, but a fearful monster. Dhurum-dass, thinking his brother was under the influence of drink, quietly requested him to be seated, but was horrified to find his brother persisting in his declaration, and amplifying it by a frightful description of the being he had wedded. This *lusus nature*, though, when dressed, a most perfect and beautiful creature, is a malformation, to destroy whom in its infancy would have been a merciful deed. The parents, however, loved their offspring, and concealed its deformity so well, that nobody suspected it. There are, of course, all sorts of stories now current in Tatta, none of them correct, nor as bad as the reality actually is. One story runs that this singular being is covered with porcupine quills, and lives upon the flesh of the dead interred about the city; others again have it that it is covered with scales like a fish; and a third report is to the effect that its skin is like that of an alligator, its appetite being equally depraved. Neither the husband nor his brother can be induced to describe the creature, whom they, of course, turned out of doors immediately on their ascertaining that it was not human. The caste people, as we have remarked, have expelled the brothers from among them, and insist on their maintaining the monster. Under this accumulation of misery, the unfortunate men have sought our advice; it is, to institute an action for the recovery from the parents of the money laid out in the marriage; to persecute them for obtaining money under false pretences, and include in the criminal information as aiders and abettors the caste people themselves.—*Our Paper*.

THE FRENCH IN ADEN.—A letter in the *Bombay Times* explains the "insults" offered to French subjects in Aden, of which *La Patrie* complained, in a manner not very creditable to our allies. Last December the French transport *Junon*, from Saigon, with invalids and marine infantry, anchored not near the entrance of the harbour, the proper place for a ship with sick on board, but in the place usually occupied by the overland steamers. At night one of the chief officers, accompanied by others and guided by a clerk in the French Consul's office, visited the most disreputable quarter of the town, and, in the course of a brawl, wounded two women of bad character. The native police interfered and put the Frenchmen in prison, from which they were released the moment their position was known. The political agent examined the case, but the French Consul and agent were not satisfied, because Frenchmen had been struck, and reported the matter to the French Admiral. The affair has been disposed of by the dismissal of the police soubadar, and an official apology to the *Junon's* officers.

ELPHINSTONE LAND COMPANY.—A statement of the affairs of the Elphinstone Land Company, published by Mr. Fleming the day before the sale of its new shares by auction, gives us a clear idea of the condition of this, the soundest of the reclamation schemes. Established in 1859, by 1870 the company will have created an estate covering 1,773,165 square yards, and having a water frontage of four miles. Of this 445,510 square yards are to be given to Government as a site for the goods stations of the G. I. P. Railway Company, in return for certain concessions. Of the remainder, to reclaim which will have cost three millions sterling, the company have now reclaimed 424,000 square yards. Of this a fourth is at present available, and yields Rs. 2,26,600 a year. In a short time the completion of wharves and basins will greatly add to this. The directors mean to sell land for three millions, leaving the rest as a dock estate, a magnificent return for the money originally invested, which does great credit to the commercial sagacity of the projectors. But what of the shareholders who have bought the old shares at Rs. 1,70,000 premium, and intend to buy the new shares at Rs. 3,000 premium? The

Bombay Gazette shows that, at the extreme estimate of the most sanguine speculators, persons who buy at this premium will be fools.

A MARATHI DRAMA.—The Bible story of Joseph, with especial prominence given to the part of Potiphar's wife, has been made the subject of a Marathi Drama in five acts, under the title "Jayapal," by Vinayak Jarnarden Kirtane. A critic in *Native Opinion* thinks that the author's English education has led him to concede too much to his female characters in action. "His notions of conjugal felicity, borrowed from European life, appear bordering on shamelessness, as in the frequent kisses which Jayapal bestows on his beloved partner."

OTHELLO IN BOMBAY.—An educational exhibition has lately taken place in Bombay, which reminds us of similar displays in the old Hindoo College of Calcutta. The junior students, native youths of the Elphinstone College, acted "Othello" throughout, without a mistake or a hitch, in a manner pronounced by a local critic highly creditable. The spirit of the play was wonderfully well interpreted, the shades of feeling and thought were cleverly followed, and the enunciation was in most cases perfect, and without any observable tincture of foreign adulteration. Sir Bartle Frere and the members of Council were present.

CANNIBALISM.—The *Moofreool Coolb*, an Oordoo paper published at Shikarpore, states that a Masulman fakir is in the custody of the police authorities of that city on a charge of cannibalism. It is alleged that shortly after a Hindoo funeral party had consigned a dead body to the funeral pit or pile and had retired from the burning ground, the fakir, who is reputed to be a magician, was seen taking handfuls of flesh from the dead body and making a repast of it as best he could; he was taken before the Fouzdar, and has been kept in confinement, pending an investigation into the unnatural offence.

LAND MORTGAGE BANK OF INDIA.—The directors of the Land Mortgage Bank of India (Credit Foncier Indien) (Limited) have issued their report preparatory to the general meeting on Wednesday. The accounts submitted, made up to the 31st December, 1864, comprise actual operations over eight months only, which show a net profit of £12,288, to which is added the interest earned in India to 31st March, £10,651, showing a sum of £22,939 available for dividend, &c. The directors therefore recommend that a dividend of 4s. per share (free of income-tax), being 5 per cent. on the paid-up capital, be now declared, payable on and after the 22nd instant. The capital in India on 31st March amounted to £611,933, of which £404,407 was invested on mortgages of real property, and £197,970 on Government securities, at an average rate of 9 per cent. The total applications for mortgage loans amounted, by last advices, to £1,318,500, of which £404,407 has been granted, and of the remainder under consideration a large amount will probably be accepted. Great caution has been used in making these advances, and the appraised value of the properties mortgaged to the company is double the amount actually advanced upon them. Every title undergoes the rigid scrutiny of the bank's solicitors and standing counsel at the presidency cities. Each property is carefully valued by inspector, sub-agent, or other competent valuer; and the chief agents only grant the loan on the satisfactory termination of the investigation. The Registration Act, now in force throughout India, also affords an additional security to the mortgages. The company is now, it is said, firmly established, and its investments in India are such that the directors feel themselves justified in anticipating that a large and safe business, with annually increasing profits, has been secured for the future.



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

The retirement of Sir Neville Chamberlain produces the following changes:—

Brig. gen. A. F. Wilde, C.B., commandant of the force.

Col. S. J. Browne, C.B. and V.C., commandant of the guides.

Capt. T. J. Kennedy, commandant 2nd cav.

Capt. F. H. Jenkins, 2nd in com. and wing officer, guides.

Lieut. H. C. P. Rice, 2nd in com. 1st Sikh inf.

Lieut. A. G. Ross, wing officer 1st Sikh inf.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

Feb. 9.—No. 1,233.—Appointments:—

Lord H. U. Browne to offic. as mag. of Howrah during absence on leave of Mr. E. C. Craster. Lord H. U. Browne is also vested with the powers of a dep. coll. in Howrah.

Feb. 15.—Mr. E. V. Westmacott to be dep. registrar of assurances of the sub-district of Burrisaul, having its head quarters at the sudder station of the district of Backergunge.

Lieut. L. J. H. Grey is app. to the temp. charge of the sub-div. of Mungledye, and is vested, in add. to the powers he already exercises, with powers under Section 1, Act X. of 1854, and those of a sudder ameen.

Dr. S. J. Lynch to be dep. registrar of assurances of the sub-district of Durrung, having its head quarters at the sudder station of the district of Durrung.

Mr. J. Warren to be an hon. mag. in Luckimpore, and to exercise the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class.

Feb. 17.—Mr. E. D. Lockwood, on leave, to be joint mag. and dep. coll. of Patna.

Mr. H. C. Sutherland to be joint mag. and dep. coll. of Burdwan.

Mr. H. L. Harrison to be a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade, but to continue to offic. as inspector of schools, S.W. div.

The above appointments will take effect from Dec. 21 last.

Mr. R. D. Hime to be a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade, with effect from 1st ult., and to have charge of the sub-div. of Sasseram.

Mr. L. B. B. King to be a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade, with effect from 24th ult., but to continue to be in charge of the survey operations in Sebsaugor.

The following officers and gentlemen to be members of the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Cachar:—

The Deputy Commissioner, the Assist. Commissioner (ex officio), Dr. R. A. Barker, Dr. H. Nelson, Dr. Coulber, Dr. R. B. Davidson, Messrs. J. W. Edgar, D. G. Morgan, C. G. D. Betts, T. Phillips, and C. Marshall.

Mr. A. Hope to offic. as civil and sessions judge of Sarun during the absence on leave of Mr. W. H. Brodhurst.

Feb. 20.—Mr. E. C. Craster to offic. as civil and sessions judge of Rajshahye during the absence on leave of Mr. C. S. Belli.

Mr. A. J. R. Bainbridge to offic. as mag. and coll. of Moorshedabad during the absence on leave of Mr. C. J. Mackenzie.

Dr. J. Meredith to be medical officer with the Bootan police force.

Feb. 21.—Mr. J. D. Maclean to have temp. charge of the sub-div. of Bettiah, and to exercise the powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class in Chumparun. Mr. Maclean is also empowered to hold the preliminary inquiry into cases.

Feb. 22.—Mr. C. F. Magrath to be an asst. to the mag. and coll. of Burdwan, and to exercise the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class.

The following promotions and transfers of sub. deputy opium agents are sanctioned, viz.:—

Mr. T. Wilson, of Benares and Mirzapore, from 2nd to 1st grade.

Mr. R. Nicholson, of Fyzabad, from 3rd to 2nd grade.

Mr. A. H. Turnbull, of Cawnpore, from 4th to 3rd grade.

Mr. C. F. Wintle, from 4th to 3rd grade, and is transferred to Goruckpore.

Mr. A. Anderson, from 5th to 4th grade, and is transferred to Rohilkund.

Mr. C. M. Armstrong, from 5th to 4th grade, and is transferred to Futtehpore.

Mr. H. Osborne, to officiate, till further orders, as a sub deputy opium agent 5th grade, and is posted to Ghazepore.

Mr. R. B. Smart, jun., to be a junior sub asst. revenue surveyor, Lower Provinces, with effect from Jan. 1.

Feb. 24.—Mr. R. Abercrombie to officiate, till further orders, as opium agent of Behar.

Mr. D. M. Barbour to be secretary to the Local Committee of Public Instruction at Patna.

The following gentlemen to be members of a Local Committee of Public Instruction at Deoghur:—

Messrs. C. W. Wilmot, R. C. Sterndale, and W. Campbell.

Leave of absence.—

Feb. 15.—Mr. E. Sandys, judge of Dinagepore, for 5 weeks, under sec. 6 of covenanted service absentee rules, from date on which he may avail himself of same.

Feb. 20.—Mr. C. J. Mackenzie, mag. and coll. of Moorshedabad, for 1 mo. from 26th inst.

Mr. C. S. Belli, judge of Rajshahye, for 3 mo. from April 5, under sec. 6 of covenanted service absentee rules.

Feb. 21.—Mr. J. Anderson, asst. mag. of Bettiah, for 1 mo. from 1st proximo.

Mr. W. Grapel, professor, Presidency College, for 15 mo., under para. 11 of uncovenanted service absentee rules.

Feb. 23.—Mr. H. B. Simson, mag. and coll. of Dinagepore, for 5 weeks from 7th proximo, under sec. 6 of covenanted service absentee rules.

Feb. 9.—The services of Lieut. col. H. C. Adlam, late offic. canton. mag. of Dinapore, are placed at disposal of Government of India, military dept., at his own request, from Nov. 18 last.

Feb. 21.—Dr. D. Young, 39th regt. N.I., to offic. as civil surgeon of Sylhet, in addition to his own duties, with effect from Nov. 12 last, the date on which he assumed charge of the office.

Feb. 22.—The appointment of Dr. A. Christison to be principal assistant to the opium agent of Benares will have effect from Dec. 9 last.

Feb. 25.—Mr. G. Graham officiated as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Tirhoot from 25th ult. to 14th inst.; and Mr. H. Davies, dep. mag. and dep. coll., was in charge of the sub division of Durbhungah during that period.

Feb. 22.—No. 62.—The following order issued by H.E. the C. in C. is republished for information:—

Dated Feb. 15.—The undermentioned officer was declared by the board of examiners at Fort William to have passed in Hindoostanee on 26th ult.:—

Lieut. H. McV. Crichton, royal engrs.

Feb. 23.—No. 63.—Mr. T. A. Donzelle is app. an asst. engr. 2nd class in local engineer establishment, and posted to Dacca division.

Feb. 25.—No. 66.—Mr. F. R. Boyce, app. to offic. as controller 2nd class of public works accounts, assumed charge of the central office of account, Bengal, on 22nd inst.

No. 67.—Removals.—The services of Mr. T. Durrup de Dombal, supervisor of the 2nd grade, local upper sub. estab., attached to the Jessore Road div., were dispensed with from Oct. 31, 1864.

Feb. 27.—No. 69.—Appointment.—Mr. E. Molinero, temp. supervisor of the 1st grade, local upper sub. estab., attached to the Circular and Eastern Canals' div., is permanently appd. in that grade and transf. to the Dacca div.

No. 70.—Resignation.—Mr. A. E. Byrn, acnt. of the 4th grade, attached to the central office of account, Bengal, is permitted, at his own request, to resign his appt. in the accounts branch from the 1st prox.

Feb. 28.—No. 71.—Leave of absence.—Mr. C. G. Wray, exec. engr. of the 3rd class, Bengal, has been allowed one year's leave, on m.c., by the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, in add. to that granted to him.

Feb. 27.—No. 9.—Capt. R. De Bourbel, R.E., dep. consulting engr. to Govt. of Bengal, placed temp. at the disposal of the milly. dept. for service with the Dooar field force, ride notification No. 168, has this day reported his departure from the presy.

Commissioner's Office, Assam, Feb. 11.—Capt. A. E. Campbell, asst. comr., received charge of the Nowgong Treasury from Mr. H. C. B. C. Raban, dep. comr., on 7th inst., and has been empowered to draw bills on the several public treasuries.

Appointments:—

Feb. 22.—No. 1,486.—Messrs. A. C. Brett and A. Christian to be members of the local committee of pub. instruction at Monghyr.

Feb. 13.—Mr. L. W. Hutchinson to be principal Sudder Ameen of Furreedpore, with effect from the 1st prox.

Mr. S. Wright to offic., temporarily, as additional principal sudder ameen of Burdwan.

Feb. 24.—The Rev. J. Buckley to be a marriage registrar in Cuttack, under Act V. of 1852.

Feb. 25.—Mr. C. H. Denham, C.E., to be vice-chairman of the municipal committee for the town of Howrah, v. Mr. N. Macnicol, resigned.

The follg. gentlemen to be assistants to the magistrates and collectors of the districts mentioned respectively, and to exercise the powers of a subord. mag. of the 2nd class, viz.:—

Mr. F. J. G. Campbell, Mymensing.

Mr. W. E. Kinsey, Patna.

Mr. H. Mosley, Chumparun.

Mr. G. E. Porter, asst. mag. and coll., to have charge of the sub div. of Raneeungee, and to exercise the powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class, and the powers of a dep. coll., in Bancoorah.

Feb. 28.—Mr. A. Smith to offic. as mag. and coll. of Chittagong.

Mr. T. J. C. Grant to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Midnapore.

Mr. C. D. Field to offic. as judge of the principal Court of Small Causes at Jessore during the absence, on leave, of Mr. H. Bell, or until further orders.

Mr. F. J. Cockburn to offic., until further orders, as civil and sessions judge of Dacca.

The follg. transf. of dist. superintendents of police are sanctioned:—

Major J. Smith from Mymensing to Durrung.

Mr. H. M. Reily from Durrung to Mymensing.

March 1.—Mr. W. J. Lane to be a junior sub. asst. in the revenue survey dept.

Mr. F. B. Simson to offic., until further orders, as civil and sess. judge of Mymensing, but to continue to offic. as comr. of Cuttack and supnt. of the tributary Mehals until relieved by Mr. R. N. Shore.

Mr. R. P. Jenkins to offic. as civil and sess. judge of Beerbhoom during the abs., on leave, of Mr. O. Toogood.

Mr. W. Le F. Robinson to offic. as mag. and coll. of Rungpore.

Mr. V. T. Taylor to offic. as mag. and coll. of Rajshahye.

March 2.—Lieut. W. E. Chambers and Mr. J. S. Larminie to be members of the local committee of public instruction at Bancoorah.

Dr. T. P. Wright to offic. as civil asst. surg. of Jessore.

Dr. R. A. Lattey to offic. as civil asst. surg. of Chumparun.

March 3.—Mr. A. C. Mangles to be asst. to the mag. and coll. of Chumparun, and to exercise the powers of a mag. in that district.

Mr. J. A. Ricketts to be a dep. mag. and dep. coll. in Patna, and to exercise the powers of a mag. in that district.

Feb. 24.—Leave of Absence.—Mr. R. M. Towers, asst. mag. and coll. of Moorshedabad, for 1 mo.

Mr. F. Grant, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Nattore, for 1 mo.

Feb. 25.—Mr. S. C. Hampton, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Raneeungee, for 3 mo., under para. 11 of the uncovenanted service absentee rules.

Feb. 27.—Capt. W. T. Fagan, district supnt. of police, Kamroop, for 1 mo., under the financial order dated Sept. 8, 1859, in ext.

Mr. H. Bell, judge of the principal Court of Small Causes at Jessore, for 14 days, to enable him to appear before the standing medical committee at the presy.

Feb. 28.—Mr. T. J. C. Grant, 2nd grade, joint maj. and dep. coll. of Midnapore, for 2 mo.

Mr. H. A. Cockerell, mag. of the 24 pergunnahs, for 15 mo.

Mr. J. D. Ward, mag. and coll. of Chittagong, for 11 days, prep. to proceeding to Eur. on furl.

March 1.—Mr. O. Toogood, judge of Beerbhoom, for 7 mo.

March 2.—Mr. H. Bell, judge of the principal court of Small Causes at Jessore, for 15 mo.

Feb. 27.—In supersession of the orders of the 16th ult., published in the *Calcutta Gazette* of the 25th idem, Mr. A. C. Bolst, asst. superint. of police, Kamroop, is appd. to have charge of the current duties of the office of dist. superint. during the absence, on priv. leave, of Capt. Fagan.

March 1.—Mr. H. W. Mackenzie, extra asst. comr. of Burpeta, having resumed his duties on

the 9th ult., the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him Dec. 31 last, is cane.

March 4.—Mr. W. Macpherson, of the C.S., reported on the 3rd inst. his return from leave by the steamer *Moolan*.

The following gentlemen are appd. to be members of the municipal committee at Gowhaty under the Act:—

Lieut. col. W. Agnew.

Lieut. col. R. Campbell.

H. G. Bainbridge, Esq.

Dr. E. C. Thorp.

Capt. W. T. Fagan.

A. C. Campbell, Esq.

March 7.—The following re-arrangement of police circles in the Lower Provinces has received the sanction of the Lieut.-gov.:—

First Circle—Head Quarters, Calcutta.

24-Pergunnahs, Howrah, Midnapore, Balasore, Cuttack, including the Gurjat Mehals of Ungool, Bankee, and Khond Mals, Pooree, Chittagong, including Hill Tracts, Noakhally, Backergunge, Jessore.

Second Circle—Head Quarters, Gowhaty.

Kamroop, Nowgong, Durrung, Luckimpore, Gopalparah, Seesagar, Cachar, Kossyab and Jynteah Hills, Sylhet.

Third Circle—Head Quarters, Bhaugulpore.

Bhaugulpore, including Sontal Pergunnahs, Shahabad, Chumparun, Sarum, Tirhoot, Behar, Furneah, Monghyr, Darjeeling, Patna.

Fourth Circle—Head Quarters, Burdwan.

Burdwan, Loharduggah, Hazareebaugh, Maunbhoom, Singhbhoom, Bancoorah, Beerbhoom, Hooghly, Moorshedabad.

Fifth Circle—Head Quarters, Dacca.

Rajshahye, Dacca, Furreedpore, Tipperah, Rungpore, Dinagepore, Maldah, Bograh, Pubna, Nuddea, Mymensing.

Classification of Deputy Inspectors-General and District Superintendents.

Deputy Inspectors-General of Police.

First Grade.—Major J. R. Pughe, Major H. Raban, Major A. H. Paterson.

Second Grade.—Major T. Rattray, Captain J. M. Graham, Mr. E. B. Baker.

District Superintendents of Police.

First Grade.—Major J. L. Nation, Mr. J. H. Reily (Detective Department), Mr. C. G. Baker, v. c., Captain W. R. Gordon, Lieut. G. M. Bowie.

Second Grade.—Major J. Smith, Major C. Reay, Captain W. T. Fagan, Captain D. Osborn, Mr. W. L. Owen.

Third Grade.—Captain H. P. W. Wynch, Captain A. Francis, Lieut. J. N. Miles, Captain G. J. Reeves, Mr. W. P. Davis, Lieut. W. L. N. Knyvett, Captain S. A. T. Judge, Lieut. T. H. Buttanshaw, Mr. R. W. King, Mr. O. S. Stack.

Fourth Grade.—Mr. J. Cockburn, Lieut. R. M. Skinner, Lieut. J. C. C. Daunt, v. c., Lieut. A. Tulloch, Captain C. T. Hitchins, Lieut. W. E. Chambers, Lieut. G. B. Johnston, Mr. T. Weldon, Mr. F. T. Platts, Mr. A. C. Howard, Mr. H. M. Reily, Captain W. Macdonald, H. M. Weatherall, Lieut. W. W. Hume, Mr. E. J. Shuttleworth.

Fifth Grade.—Mr. J. E. Bruce, Lieut. T. H. Lewin, Lieut. H. Waller, Mr. T. J. Malthy, Mr. F. Adams, Mr. D. W. Dundas, Mr. H. W. Bamber, Mr. W. C. Lacey, Lieut. W. B. Birch, Mr. H. L. Jones, Lieut. R. P. Davis, Mr. R. G. Irvine.

Appointments:—

March 7.—Major A. H. Paterson to be dep. inspec. gen. of police 1st circle, and also to offic. as dep. inspec. gen. of police 3rd circle pending the return of Major J. R. Pughe from special service.

Major H. Raban to be dep. inspec. gen. of police 2nd circle, but to continue to offic. as private secretary to the Lieut. gov. during absence on leave of Lieut. col. H. C. James.

Major J. R. Pughe to be dep. inspec. gen. of police 3rd circle.

Mr. E. B. Baker to be dep. inspec. gen. of police 4th circle.

Capt. J. M. Graham to be dep. inspec. gen. of police 5th circle, but to offic. as dep. inspec. gen. of police 2nd circle during absence, on deputation, of Major H. Raban.

Mr. C. G. Baker, v. c., to offic. as dep. inspec. gen. of police 5th circle during absence, on deputation, of Capt. J. M. Graham.

Major T. Rattray to be dep. inspec. gen. of police in the Bengal Doorn.

March 1.—No. 74.—Mr. W. B. Trenwith, probat. overseer 2nd grade, is transferred from the Lower Assam to the Shillong division.

March 2.—No. 75.—Mr. J. B. Stoney, local probat. asst. engr., joined the Nuddea (Local Roads) division on 13th inst.

March 4.—No. 80.—Mr. W. O'Hara is app., on probation, an overseer 2nd grade in the upper subord. establishment, and posted to the Upper Assam division.

March 7.—No. 82.—The notification No. 54 of 20th ult., granting prep. leave to Mr. M. P. B. Duell, exec. engr. 4th class, Patna Branch Road division, is cancelled.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Head Qrs., Calcutta, Feb. 15.—Lieut. C. Garsia, 89th foot, is appd. A.D.C. to Major gen. W. O. G. Haly, c.b., comdg. the Lahore div.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appts., until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known: 81st Foot.—Lieut. H. R. Young, from 106th foot, to be lieut., v. Stuart-Menteth, who exchanges, dated Feb. 4.

106th Foot.—Lieut. W. A. C. Stuart-Menteth, from 81st foot, to be lieut., v. Young, who exchanges, dated Feb. 4.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to accept the retirement from the service of Vet. surg. E. T. Cheesman, 3rd drag. gds., subject to approval by H.M., Jan. 23.

The underment. officers were declared by the board of examiners at Fort William to have passed in Hindoostanee on the 26th ult.:—

Lieut. H. McV. Crichton, royal engrs.
Capt. S. Boulderson, late 5th Eur. L.C.; and H. P. Pearson, 2nd batt. 12th foot.

Lieut. E. O. V. Haldane, 42nd foot.
Col. C. F. Campbell, 46th foot.

Major J. Morland, late 1st Eur. Bengal fus.
Lieuts. M. C. Smith, and C. S. De F. Roche, late 6th Eur. regt.

Lieut. A. I. Iles, late 40th N.I.
Capt. C. N. McMullin, late 73rd N.I.

Lieuts. D. Robertson, H. Howell, C. McK. Hall, C. C. Brownlow, A. Harden, and A. Harrison, gen. list, inf.

Maj. C. O'B. Palmer, late 1st Eur. Bengal fus., is permitted to resign his appt. of 2nd in com. and wing officer 24th N.I.

Lieut. C. H. Garbett, gen. list, inf., is app. to do duty with 29th N.I.; to join.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following promotion until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

44th Foot.—Lieut. M. S. Smith to be capt., without purch., v. Howorth, dec.; Jan. 24.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments:—

7th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. W. A. S. DeV. Beauclerk, gen. list, cav., doing duty officer, to be adjt., v. Grey, whose services have been placed at the disposal of Govt.; Feb. 2.

8th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. R. G. Birch, late 1st Bengal Eur. L.C., to offic. as 2nd squadron officer, during the absence on leave of Lieut. Bingham; Feb. 2.

9th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. C. S. DeF. Roche, gen. list, inf., to be 3rd squadron officer, v. Clifford; Feb. 10.

10th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. H. C. Greenaway, doing duty with 19th hussars, to be doing duty officer, v. Webber; Feb. 10.

8rd N.I.—Lieut. F. A. Darley, gen. list, inf., doing duty officer, to be qrmr., v. Jones, prom. to a company; Jan. 31.

4th N.I.—Maj. W. H. Stubbs, offic. garrison qrmr. Fort William, to be 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Paterson, app. to 8rd Goorkhas; Jan. 26.

7th N.I.—Maj. F. J. Nelson, 2nd in com. and wing officer, to be comdt., v. Pott, app. to the brig. staff; Jan. 27.

8th N.I.—Brev. maj. F. Duffin, late 22nd N.I., wing officer 28th N.I., to be wing officer, v. Angelo, app. to the brig. staff; Jan. 28.

15th N.I.—Capt. W. R. Glaspe, 2nd in com. and wing officer 21st N.I., is transf. in the same grade, v. Fellowes, app. a major of brig.; Jan. 31.

28th N.I.—Lieut. H. C. T. Jarrett, v.c., adjt., to be wing officer, v. Duffin, appd. to 8th N.I., Jan. 31.

Lieut. G. S. Hills, late 38th N.I., qrmr., to be adjt., v. Jarrett prom., Jan. 31.

86th N.I.—Ensign R. T. Birch, 1st batt. 20th foot, a candidate for the staff corps, is appd. doing duty officer, v. Homfray, whose services have been placed at the disposal of Govt., Jan. 31.

88th N.I.—Lieut. col. J. L. Walker, doing duty at Allahabad, to offic. as comdt., during the abs. on leave of Col. Boyd, Jan. 27.

40th N.I.—Lieut. H. B. Swiney, doing duty with 37th N.I., to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Prendergast, as qrmr., Feb. 10.

4th Goorkha Regt.—Lieut. C. J. Farquharson, qrmr., to offic. as adjt., v. Garstin, offic. as wing officer, Jan. 26.

Lieut. G. E. Macpherson, offic. doing duty officer, to offic. as qrm., v. Farquharson, Jan. 26.

Darjeeling Convalescent Depot.—Brevet maj. A. Tisdall, 35th foot, to be comdt., v. Capt. J. Bourchier, ordered to embark with the 81st foot, for England, Feb. 9.

The retirement from the service, by the sale of his commission, of Lieut. B. H. Davidson, 3rd batt. 6th rifles, is accepted by the C. in C. in India, subject to approval by H.M., Feb. 8.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to sanction the transfer from the 2nd to the 1st batt. 20th foot of Capt. E. M. Jones, v. Major Baldwin, dec., subject to confirmation by H.R.H. the Field Marshal C. in C.

The underment. officers passed the prescribed colloq. exam. on the dates specified:—

Capt. H. B. Vaughan, 1st batt. 20th foot, on the 16th ult.

Lieut. F. Bailey, royal engrs., on the 16th ult.
Asst. surg. W. Venour, 46th foot, on 28th ult.

The follg. Presidency div. orders are confirmed:—
Dated the 26th ult., directing the follg. arrangements:—

Asst. surg. J. Inkson, M.D., of the 80th foot, to assume med. charge of Dum-Dum station and Gossipore Gun Foundry in addition to his other duties, v. Asst. surg. J. G. Grant, 48th foot.

Staff corps.—Major G. Weld (fort adjt., Chunar), from date of leaving Chunar to Feb. 15, to Calcutta, on m.c.

Royal Artillery.—Capt. C. J. McMahon (No. 5 Battery 17th brig.), from date of embarkation to England and Australia, for 15 mo.; and D. J. F. Newall (F battery 19th brig.), from Oct. 1, 1864, to Nov. 30, 1864, in extension of leave, to Madras on m.c.

5th Lancers.—Cornet J. Dennis, from Feb. 1 to July 31, to England.

1st Foot.—Lieut. G. Hall, 1st batt., from date of embarkation to England, on m.c.

7th Foot.—Capt. G. A. Elliott, 1st batt., from Dec. 1, 1864, to Dec. 31, 1864, in ext., to remain in Calcutta; and Lieut. H. E. Harrow, 1st batt., from Oct. 1, 1864, to Oct. 9, 1864, in ext., to remain at Dalhousie.

19th Foot.—Lieut. G. A. Warden, 1st batt., from date of embarkation to England, via the Cape, on m.c.

54th Foot.—Lieut. col. J. C. H. Jones, from date of embarkation to England, via the overland route, on m.c.

60th Foot.—Capt. H. Semple, 3rd batt., from date of embarkation to England, for 15 mo.

66th Foot.—Asst. surg. N. Arent, from date of embarkation to England, for 12 mo.

108th Foot.—Lieut. col. C. W. Moore, from Nov. 20, 1864, to Dec. 8, 1864, to Bombay.

Late 1st Eur. Bengal Fus.—Maj. C. O'B. Palmer, 2nd in com. and wing officer 24th N.I., from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Murree.

Medical Dept.—Surg. J. Squire, attached to 16th N.I., from Jan. 17 to Feb. 8, in ext., to Calcutta, on m.c.; and Surg. J. J. Clarke, attached to 7th Bengal cav., from Jan. 6 to Feb. 6, to Calcutta, on m.c.

Feb. 22.—Col. J. M. B. Fraser-Tyler, c.b., staff corps, recently returned from leave to Eur., is app. to do gen. duty at the Pres. till further orders, with effect from the 11th ult.

Capt. J. C. Horne, staff corps, app. dep. judge advocate gen., in G.G.O., No. 108, of the 26th ult., is posted to the Benares div.

Lieut. col. F. T. Wroughton, c.b., Bengal inf., is app. to offic. as comdt. of the 29th N.I., and directed to join.

Brev. Maj. S. D. White, late 3rd Eur. regt., is app. to do duty at Darjeeling, convalescent depot.

The C. in C. is pleased to make the foll. appts.:—
1st Bengal Cav.—Lieut. T. W. Hogg, 20th hussars, a candidate for the staff corps, to be doing duty officer, Dec. 28.

Lieut. E. C. S. Jackson, gen. list, inf., is app. to do duty with the 15th N.I., and directed to join.

Staff Asst. surg. P. Quinlan, doing duty with the royal art., Mooltan, will proceed at the public expense to Kangra, and take med. charge of the detachment at that station, relieving Asst. surg. J. R. Oliver, royal art., who will proceed and join No. 8 baty. 24th brigade, royal art., at Peahawur.

The underment. officers, who appeared for examination in the native languages before half-yearly committees, held on the 26th ult., have been declared by the board of examiners at Fort William to have passed, as specified below:—
As Interpreters.

Lieut. J. H. Annand, R.A.; A. D. Anderson, late 61st N.I.; and schoolmaster D. McCarthy, 1st batt. 20th foot.

In Hindoostanee.

Lieut. J. R. Yule, R.A.

Lieut. G. F. Hamilton, R.A.

Lieut. J. Charles, R.A.

Capt. G. F. Ormsby, 2nd drag. gds.

Major W. G. D. Massy, 5th lancers.

Capt. B. Compton, late 2nd Eur. L.C.

Lieut. G. T. Halliday, late 4th Eur. L.C.

Lieut. S. A. Swinley, gen. list, cav.

Lieut. H. A. Little, 1st batt. 7th foot.

Lieut. J. Knox, 1st batt. 19th foot.

Lieut. G. R. Gibbs, 1st batt. 20th foot.

Capt. C. D. James, 86th foot.

Ens. R. C. Nicoletta, 38th foot.

Capt. C. Acton, 51st foot.

Ens. E. B. Bishop, 64th foot.

Ens. D. H. Thompson, 54th foot.

Capt. C. E. Theobald, 55th foot.

Capt. C. R. Richardson, 82nd foot.

Capt. C. J. East, 82nd foot.

Ens. J. B. Hutchinson, 82nd foot.

Ens. F. A. S. D'Acosta, 88th foot.

Lieut. J. C. Minto, 97th foot.

Ens. J. G. M. DeL. Bean, 107th foot.

Maj. C. F. Hicks, late 5th Eur. reg.

Lieut. D. Adamson, late 28th N.I.

Lieut. A. B. Hepburn, late 82nd N.I.

Lieut. J. K. McCausland, late 84th N.I.

Capt. J. E. D. Wilson, late 42nd N.I.

Lieut. J. H. Baldwin, late 68th N.I.

Lieut. L. Macdonald, late 73rd N.I.

Lieut. W. H. Shoubridge, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. M. O. Boyd, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. E. W. Smyth, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. D. C. Hennessy, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. F. D. Boileau, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. R. Beavan, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. H. C. Greenaway, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. B. G. Vivyan, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. J. G. T. Carruthers, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. E. Hughes, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. T. E. Taylor, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. A. G. Hartshorne, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. A. McC. Bruce, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. C. Mercer, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. A. Landon, gen. list, inf.

Lieut. J. G. Maclean, gen. list, inf.

Asst. surg. W. E. Allen, med. dept.

Asst. surg. J. Ellis, M.B., med. dept.

Asst. surg. A. P. Holmes, M.D., med. dept.

Staff asst. surg. J. Wood will take medical charge of B batty. F. brig., R.H.A., v. Asst. surg. A. S. Russell, M.D., proceeded to England, on sick leave.

The underment. officers are appd. to do duty with a detachment of invalids proceeding to England on board the *Roslin Castle*:—

To Command.—Capt. C. W. St. John, 94th foot.

To do Duty.—Capt. C. G. Heathcote, 98th foot.

Lieut. G. T. C. Moore, 42nd foot.

Lieut. R. C. D'E. Spottiswoode, 21st hussars.

In Medical Charge.—Asst. surg. T. Maunell, 48th foot.

The services of the comdg. and med. officers are placed at the disposal of the qrmr. gen. for transport duty.

The appt. of Asst. surg. H. Kelsall, 1st batln. 20th foot, to the med. charge of the Nynne Tal convalescent depot announced in G.O.C.C., dated Nov. 2 last, will be considered to take effect from Dec. 27 last, the date on which he joined the depot.

Capt. W. F. T. Marshall, 1st batln. 19th foot, appd. to command of the detachment of invalids and time-expired men proceeding to England on board the *Winchester*.

Capt. E. A. Morgan, of the 55th foot, being supernumerary of his rank in India, is directed to proceed to England, at the public expense, for the purpose of joining the depot of his regt.

Under instructions from the Horse Guards, Capt. C. Clark, of the 104th foot, is directed to proceed to join the depot of his regt. in England, at the public expense.

Under instructions from the Horse Guards, Capt. J. Briggs, of the 82nd foot, will proceed to England, at the public expense, to join the regimental depot.

H.E. the C. in C. has been pleased to make the following appts.:—

Capt. J. S. O'Neill, 1st batln. 20th foot, to be a dist. insp. of musketry, v. Capt. A. Wright, of the 81st foot, who resigns from the date of embarkation of his regt.

Capt. O'Neill is tempy. posted to the 3rd div., and will proceed to Umballa and relieve Capt. Wright as soon as possible.

Capt. T. Lloyd, of the 35th foot, to offic. as dist. insp. of musketry, 5th div., during the absence of Capt. J. D. Laurie, proceeding on sick leave to Europe.

Capt. Lloyd will proceed to Agra with the least possible delay, and there enter on the duties of his appt.

Official notification has been received that the following officers recently prom. or apptd., have been posted to the batlins. specified:—

20th Foot.—Capt. C. K. Chatfield, to 2nd batln.; Lieut. E. H. Barlow, to 2nd batln.; Lieut. J. Whybrow, to 1st batln.

The leave from Dec. 8, 1864, to Jan. 14, 1865, to visit Calcutta with a view to study the native languages, granted to Lieut. W. T. A. Thain, gen. list, inf., doing duty with 16th N.I., in G.O.C.C., Dec. 26 last, is hereby canc. at his own request.

Orders confirmed:—

Delhi garrison order, dated Dec. 15 last, directing the following medical arrangements:—

Asst. surg. J. Kelly, No. 2 batty. 25th brigade, to assume medical charge of No. 1 batty. 25th brig. royal art., proceeding to Saugor.

By officer comd. 34th foot, dated 14th ult., directing Lieut. J. O. Gage to officiate as adjt., v. Lieut. G. Malcolm, promoted.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Horse Art.—2nd Capt. J. R. Oliver, C. brigade, attached to Armstrong M. batty., from Jan. 9 to Feb. 9, to Calcutta, to appear before a medical board.

Royal Art.—2nd Capt. J. T. Leishman, G. batty. 18th brig., for 15 mo. from date of embarkation, to England.

19th Hussars.—Cornet R. G. E. Dalrymple, from date of embarkation at Madras, to England, by Overland route, to appear before a medical board.

19th Foot.—Major G. R. Jennings, 1st batt., from 1st to 31st Jan., in ext., to Calcutta, to appear before a medical board.

42nd Foot.—Capt. M. Macleod, from 1st to 28th Feb., to remain at Presidency; and Lieut. E. O. V. Haldane, from Jan. 16 to Feb. 16, in ext., to remain at Calcutta, for the purpose of studying the native languages.

66th Foot.—Capt. C. Perin, from April 16 to July 16, in ext., to remain in England.

90th Foot.—Capt. C. D. Barwell and Lieut. J. H. Hedges, from Feb. 20 to March 19, to Calcutta, and thence to England, for 15 mos.

91st Foot.—Maj. W. B. Battiscombe, from date of availing himself of the leave, for one mo., in ext. of priv. leave, to Calcutta, and thence to England, for 17 mos., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

94th Foot.—Lieut. W. A. Symes, from date of embark., to England, for 15 mos.

Late 4th Eur. L.C.—Capt. R. C. Low, 2nd in command and squadron officer 18th Bengal cav., from Jan. 1 to Jan. 3, in ext., to appear before a medical board at Calcutta.

Late 14th N.I.—Maj. A. O. Wood, from Nov. 1, 1864, to Feb. 20, in ext., to remain at Bareilly, and to visit Calcutta to appear before a medical board.

Late 40th N.I.—Lieut. A. I. Iles, doing duty 2nd N.I., from Jan. 15 to Jan. 31, in ext., to enable him to appear for examination in the native languages at Calcutta.

ADJUTANTS.

It having been brought to the notice of H.E. the C. in C. that adjts. of British regts. are permitted occasionally to hold com. of a troop or company in add. to their own duties, under the provisions of para. 39, page 97 of Bengal mil. regs., H.E. is pleased to notify, for general information and guidance, that the rule quoted was applicable to native regts. only under the old system.

The adjt. of a British regt. cannot also hold com. of a troop or company.

Brig. gen. W. W. Turner, C.B., apptd. to the brig. staff in G.O. No. 151 of the 10th inst., is posted to the Peshawar brig.

Major T. C. Darnell, staff corps, is permitted to do general duty at Meerut instead of at Allahabad, as notified in G.O.C.C. of the 24th ult.

Lieut. col. W. R. Cunningham, late 5th Eur. regt., is permitted to do duty with the Landoor convalescent depot during the ensuing hot season.

The following officers are apptd. to do duty as specified:—

Major W. Irwin, late 49th N.I., in the pres. div. Lieut. A. Landon, gen. list inf., attached to the 6th N.I., at Roorkee.

The following officers are attached to the corps specified, for instruction in cav. drill:—

Lieut. J. Miller, late 27th N.I., to 19th hussars. Ens. H. M. M. Wood, 85th foot, to 7th hussars.

Major J. Morland, late 1st Eur. Bengal fus., is apptd. garrison qrmr., at Fort William, v. Major W. M. Stubbs.

Lieut. H. S. Thompson, of the 51st foot, passed the prescribed colloquial examination on the 17th ult.

Surg. W. S. Whylock, M.D., at present in med. charge of the 89th foot, will proc. to join the 88th foot.

Asst. surg. W. H. Price, 89th foot, at present in med. charge of the Kussowlee convalescent depot, will proc. without delay to his corps, under orders to embark for England, and will make over med. charge of the depot to Surg. A. A. Stoney, of the 94th foot.

The following Jhansi station orders are confirmed:—

Dated Aug. 1 last.—Directing Surg. H. M. Greenhow, F.R.C.S., of the 15th Bengal cav., to afford med. aid to the 34th N.I., in addition to his other duties, v. Surg. C. Stewart, reported sick.

Dated Nov. 10 last.—Directing Maj. J. Baillie, staff corps, to act as station staff until further orders, v. Lieut. A. B. Douglas.

Dated the 9th ult.—Directing Lieut. A. B. Douglas, adjt. 4th N.I., to reassume charge of the station staff office, with effect from the 1st idem.

The following Darjeeling station orders are confirmed:—

Dated Dec. 3 last.—Directing Asst. surg. W. Leslie, M.D., 48th foot, to assume med. charge of the convalescent depot, in addition to his other duties, with effect from the 5th idem, v. Surg. L. Kidd, M.B., 27th foot.

Dated Dec. 10 last.—Directing Asst. surg. R. W. Hare, M.B., 80th foot, to assume med. charge of the convalescent depot, v. Asst. surg. W. H. Leslie, M.D.

Dated Dec. 27 last.—Appg. Capt. J. Wilkinson, 80th foot, to offic. as station staff, there being no qualified officer available, v. Lieut. J. Stevenson, 54th foot, resigned.

The following Meerut division orders are confirmed:—

Dated Nov. 14 last.—Making the following medical arrangements:—

Asst. surg. W. H. Yates, C. baty. F. brig., to afford med. aid to the head quarters of the C. brig. R.H.A., and Art. division, in addition to his other duties.

Attaching Asst. surg. H. Clark, M.D., late C. baty. F. brig. R.H.A., to do duty with the A. baty. 22nd brig. R.A., as a temporary measure.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the officer commanding 88th N.I., dated Dec. 16 last, making the following appointments v. Lieut. col. B. Boyd, proceeded on sick leave, with effect from Nov. 27 last:—

Maj. H. N. Hodgson, 2nd in com. and wing officer, to offic. as commandant.

Capt. J. A. Vanrenen, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer.

Lieut. H. L. A. Tottenham, qrmr., to offic. as wing officer, in add. to his other duties.

By the officer comdg. the 4th N.I., dated Dec. 25 last, making the following appts. v. Major A. Paterson, transf. to the 3rd Goorkhas:—

Capt. W. C. Mitchell, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer.

Capt. and qrmr. A. McL. Stewart to offic. as wing officer.

By the officer comdg. the 18th Bengal cav., dated Dec. 27 last, directing Lieut. R. W. Napier, gen. list, inf., to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Lieut. H. E. Ryves.

By the officer comdg. the 31st N.I., dated Dec. 30 last, directing Lieut. J. F. Trevanion, 21st N.I., to offic. as adjt. as a temp. measure, v. Lieut. R. D. Beeston.

By the officer comdg. the 2nd batt. rifle brig., dated Dec. 31 last, directing Lieut. E. H. Chamberlin to act as adjt., v. Ens. and adjt. F. Rogers, on leave.

By the officer comdg. the 38th N.I., dated the 11th ult., appg. Lieut. C. A. Way, to offic. as adjt., v. Lieut. A. W. Graham.

Meerut station order, dated 14th ult., directing Vet. surg. G. Kettlewell, royal art., to afford professional aid to the horses of the 19th hussars, in add. to his other duties, with effect from the 12th idem.

By the officer comdg. the 15th N.I., dated 21st ult., appg. Capt. J. T. Harris, offic. wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Capt. H. Fellowes, apptd. to the brig. staff.

Addendum.—To G.O.C.C., dated Aug. 29, 1864, appg. Lieut. G. Waterhouse, offic. doing duty officer, 12th Bengal cav., to be doing duty officer, and to offic. as 3rd squadron officer, add, "in addition to his other duties."

Leave of absence:—

Royal Horse Artillery.—2nd Capt. D. D. Anderson (D. brig.), from date of embarkation at Madras,

to England, m.c.; 2nd Capt. J. R. Oliver (C. brig., doing duty Armstrong M. batty.), from date of embarkation to England, by either route, m.c.; and Capt. T. M. Harris (A. batty. E. brig.), from date of leaving baty., for 1 mo. to port of embarkation, and 6 mo. to England.

Royal Artillery.—Maj. gen. J. T. Lane (unatt.), from date of embarkation to England, by either route, m.c.; Lieut. W. M. D. Wright (No. 2 batty. 17th brig.), from date of embarkation at Madras, to England, by the overland route, m.c.; Capt. R. C. Battiscombe (B. batty. 21st brig.), from date of embarkation; and H. E. Hicks (23rd brig.), from date of embarkation at Madras, to England, for 15 months.

1st Dragoon Guards.—Capt. J. E. Edlmann, from date of embarkation, to England, for 15 mo.

28rd Foot.—Lieut. E. S. Creek (2nd batln.), from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, previous to joining his batln. at Gibraltar.

34th Foot.—Lieut. H. T. Sheppard, from date of embarkation, to England for 15 mo.

46th Foot.—Col. C. F. Campbell, from Feb. 15 to March 8, in ext., to await arrival of his regt. at Lucknow.

97th Foot.—Ens. J. A. Murray, from date of embarkation, to England, by either route, m.c.

102nd Foot.—Capt. F. Samwell (paymaster), from date of embarkation at Madras, to England, m.c.

108th Foot.—Lieut. J. H. Shaw, from date of embarkation at Bombay, to England, for 15 mo.

Late 49th N.I.—Maj. R. Larkins (2nd in com. and wing officer 18th N.I.), from Feb. 1 to April 1, to Upper Provinces, on m.c.

Late 63rd N.I.—Lieut. C. Richards, from Dec. 11 to Feb. 27, in ext., to remain at Darjeeling, m.c.

Medical Dept.—Surg. maj. J. B. Harrison, M.D. (att. to the 27th N.I.), from March 1 to April 15, to Calcutta, prep. to applying for sick leave to Eur.; Asst. surg. A. K. Reed, garrison asst. surg., Attock, from March 1 to April 30, to Calcutta, m.c.; and Surg. G. H. Daly, M.D. (att. to the 19th Bengal cav.), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Simla.

Ordnance Dept.—Conductor T. Wilkins, from Jan. 28 to March 28, to Calcutta, prep. to applying for furl. to Eur.

MUSKETRY REGULATIONS.

H.E. the C. in C. is pleased to direct that the latest reprints of the musketry regulations adverted to in G.O., dated Horse Guards, Dec. 1, 1864, shall be brought into use in India from the date of their receipt by the several regiments and battalions.

The officers of royal engineers referred to in G.G.O. No. 163 of Feb. 14 will join the Doogar field force, and are to be disposed of in the following manner:—

Capt. W. S. Trevor, and Lieut. J. Dundas, right brigade.

Capt. R. de Bourbel, Lieut. C. N. Judge, and W. J. Heavside, left brigade.

Capt. F. S. Stanton will remain at Darjeeling, without detriment to his civil charge there.

Lieut. H. F. Showers, 104th foot, is app. to do duty with 8rd Goorkha regt.; to join.

The exchange of corps between Ensign H. C. H. Man, 81st, and Ensign J. W. Smith, 88th foot, announced in gen. orders of 13th inst., has been cancelled, dated Feb. 8.

Lieut. C. E. Bates, staff corps, is app. to do duty with 3rd Goorkha regt., on service with the Doogar field force; to join.

The undermentioned officers are appointed to do general duty at the stations specified:—

Capt. H. Phillips, late 40th N.I., at Rawul Pindee.

Lieut. H. C. Garden, late 57th, doing duty 28rd N.I., at Barrackpore.

The C. in C. is pleased to sanction exchange of appointments between Asst. surg. S. C. Amesbury, in medical charge of 31st, and Asst. surg. C. Hatchell, of 34th N.I.

Lieut. K. C. Pye, royal engra., attached to sappers and miners, is directed to proceed and join the Doogar field force, reporting himself on arrival to Brig. gen. Mulcaster.

Major H. Lane, brigade major of Rawul Pindee, has prep. leave for 1 mo., to Calcutta, from Jan. 28, instead of from date notified in G.O. Dec. 8 last.

Vet. surg. J. Field is posted to 20th hussars, and directed to join at Campbellpore, instead of the E. batty. 16th brigade royal art., at Allahabad, to which he was appointed by G.O. of 1st inst.

Addendum.—To G.O.C.C. of July 25, 1864, page 388, confirming a regtl. order of the 9th N.I., dated June 13, 1864, app. Lieut. F. W. Glasford, doing duty officer, to offic. as qrmr., in addition to his other duties.

H.R.H. the Field Marshal C. in C. has been pleased to grant leave of absence to the underment officer:—

Rifle Brigade.—Qrmer. F. Piper, 2nd batt., from Dec. 9 to March 21, in ext., to remain in England, on m.c.

2nd Capt. M. Elliot, C. brigade, R.H.A., is app. to act as brig. maj. to the insp. R.A., southern div., till further orders, v. Brev. maj. Sankey, app. brig. maj., Doar field force.

The foll. orders are confirmed:—

By the officer comdg. the 28th N.I., dated Sept. 15 last, directing Lieut. H. C. T. Jarrett, v.c., offic. 2nd in comd. and wing officer, to assume command, v. Col. H. F. Dunsford, c.b.

By the officer comdg. the 34th foot, dated Oct. 15 last, directing Lieut. W. Vaughan to offic. as asst. inst. of musketry until further orders, v. Lieut. H. Lampen, proceeded on detached duty.

By the officer comdg. the 35th foot, dated Nov. 1 last, directing Lieut. A. C. Crookshank to act as interpreter, v. Lieut. W. W. Sherlock, proc. to Calcutta on duty with invalids.

By officer comdg. 7th Bengal cav., dated Dec. 11 last, directing Lieut. W. A. S. DeV. Beauclerk, doing duty, to act as adjt., in addition to his other duties, v. Lieut. L. J. H. Grey.

Addendum.—To G.O.C.C. of Dec. 8 last, confirming Nowshera station order, dated Oct. 15 last, appointing Ensign R. Stratford, 51st foot, station staff, add "and superintendent of the Sudder Bazaar."

Leave of absence:—

Royal Horse Art.—Lieut. C. E. Nairne, E batty. C brigade, from Oct. 26 to Nov. 15, 1864, in ext.

Royal Art.—Asst. surg. J. Rutherford, m.b., D batty. 16th brigade, from Oct. 26 last, to England, via the Cape, m.c.; 2nd Capt. R. A. Stevenson, 21st brigade, from date of embarkation at Aden, to England, by Overland route, m.c.; and Lieut. W. S. Alexander, No. 8 batty. 25th brigade, from March 12 to April 15, in ext., to remain in England.

2nd Drag. Gds.—Surg. T. F. Wall, from Dec. 25 to Jan. 22, to Calcutta, m.c. This cancels the leave granted in G.O.C.C. of Jan. 12.

3rd Drag. Gds.—Lieut. J. W. Fitzgerald, from date of embarkation to England, for 12 mo.

20th Hussars.—Capt. H. W. Studdy, from Dec. 25 to Jan. 25, to Calcutta; and Lieut. H. A. Walford, from date of availing himself of leave, for 1 mo. to port of embarkation, and thence to England for 15 mo.

21st Hussars.—Capt. W. J. S. Richardes, from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape, m.c.

18th Foot.—Capt. G. Joy, 1st batt., from Jan. 29 to Feb. 12, to Bombay.

Services under local Acts not permitted to count for Pension.

From the Right Hon. Sir Charles Wood, Bart., M.P. and c.c.s., H.M.'s Secretary of State for India in Council, to H.E. the Right Hon. the Governor general of India in Council.—(No. 302, dated London, Dec. 16, 1864.)

Para. 1.—I have considered in Council your financial letter dated the 13th September last, No. 127, relative to a proposition made by the Government of Bombay to permit service on the establishments employed under Act No. XIX. of 1863 of the Bombay Legislative Council (Cotton Frauds Act) to count for pension under the Uncovenanted Service Pension Rules.

2. To this proposition you object on the ground that the Cotton Frauds Act is not a general but a local Act based on local fund, the income of which is connected with the operation of the Act. You state that the Government of Bombay had, without consulting our Government, appointed an establishment under the Cotton Frauds Act, consisting of a chief inspector, at Rs. 1,800 a month, a sub inspector at Bombay, whose salary is not stated, and six European inspectors, at Rs. 700 each; and you observe that, if the Local Governments are allowed to exercise the power of binding the Government of India to expenditure out of the general revenue under these local Acts, the full control over that revenue hitherto possessed by the Government of India must obviously cease.

8. It appears to her Majesty's Government that the proposition made by the Government of Bombay ought not to be sanctioned. If it were admitted that servants appointed under local Acts, whose salaries are paid from fees levied under the provisions of those Acts, were to be granted superannuation pensions out of the general revenue, the charge to the State for those pensions would be argely and indefinitely increased. The correct

principle in regard to superannuation appears to be, that pensions should be granted out of the same funds from which the salaries have been paid.

4. In order to bring the Cotton Frauds Act, which was exceptional in its character, into speedy and effective operation, it was deemed expedient by the Government of Bombay to sanction the employment under that Act of some of their servants, their salaries while so employed being paid from the local fund. Under the peculiar circumstances of the case her Majesty's Government will not require that the time so occupied shall be excluded from the period calculating as service for pensions from the public revenues.

5. I have, however, requested the Bombay Government to take the earliest opportunity of restoring the officers referred to to their proper position in the regular service, and I should hope that any necessity for a similar employment of Government servants will be very rare. It must be regarded as a fixed rule that officers of establishments employed under local Acts will not be entitled to any pension or allowance from the State.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Fort St. George, March 8.—Mr. C. G. Walker, under secy. to Govt. in the depts. under the chief secy., priv. leave of absence for 3 mo., from April 19 next.

Capt. H. L. Grove, sen. asst. to the agent to the Gov. of Fort St. George, in Vizagapatam, priv. leave of absence for 3 mo., to Neilgherries.

Mr. J. P. Martin, overseer D.P.W., Oodamulpetta talook in the Coimbatore dist., has 3 mo. cumulative priv. leave.

Asst. surg. H. E. Busted, civil surg. of Cuddalore, to be asst. assay master of the Madras Mint, from Feb. 17.

March 7.—Mr. H. Cleghorn, m.d., conservator of forests, returned from Calcutta on 1st inst., and resumed charge of his office.

Capt. Grove is invested with the powers of a mag., and with power to hear and dispose of appeals from the decisions of sub mags. of 1st and 2nd classes, within the limits of the dist. of Vizagapatam.

Mr. W. S. Whiteside, sub coll. and joint mag. of South Arcot, is invested with powers to hear and dispose of appeals from the convictions of sub mags. of the 1st class, stationed within his div.

Mr. W. E. Wright, dep. mag. of South Arcot, is authorised to hear and dispose of appeals from the convictions of sub. mags. of 2nd class, stationed within his jurisdiction.

The underment. officers of the Madras police are app. to institute prosecutions under the said Act for offences committed in the districts set opposite their respective names:—

Mr. J. Kelsall, m.c.s., asst. supt. of police, Coimbatore dist.

Mr. J. D. B. Gribble, m.c.s., asst. supt. of police, Salem dist.

Capt. F. F. R. Bishop, act. asst. supt. of police, Kurnool dist.

Mr. L. Forbes, acting seas. judge of Nandial, is authorised to take down the evidence of witnesses with his own hand in the English language.

Mr. J. Partridge, to be acting head surveyor of No. 2 Kurnool survey party, to take effect from the 1st inst.

Lieut. T. H. B. Young, asst. supt. of police, South Arcot, priv. leave of absence for 1 mo.

March 3.—Lieut. A. M. Black, inf. gen. list, doing duty 6th N.I., is permitted to proc. to Eur., on m.c., for 20 mo., under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Capt. H. C. Z. Claridge, 37th grenadiers, to be major by brevet, from March 2, 1865, subject to H.M.'s approval.

So much of G.O.G. No. 68, dated Feb. 17, as grants to Lieut. col. G. G. Macdonell, 30th N.I., furl. to Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta, is can.

The undermentioned officers are permitted to proc. to Eur., under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras:—

Capt. (brev. lieut. col.) Simpson, late 48th N.I., doing duty 17th N.I., on m.c., for 20 mo.

Lieut. B. H. Preston, late 2nd Eur. L.I., doing duty 31st L.I., on furl. for 2 years.

The name of Lieut. col. C. S. B. Bivar, 1st L.C., will be hereafter borne on the rolls of the army as C. S. Bivar.

The following officers of the Madras staff corps having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff emplov., to be majors, from March

2, 1865, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Cpts. J. W. Rideout and W. Rose.

Appointments:—

Mr. H. Morris to be princ. asst. to the coll. and mag. and agent to the gov. of Fort St. George in Ganjam, but to continue to act as civil and sessions judge of Berhampore.

Mr. J. A. C. Boswell to be sub coll. and joint mag. of Nellore, but to continue to act as princ. asst. to the coll. and mag. and agent to the gov. of Fort St. George in Vizagapatam, during the employment of Mr. C. T. Longley on other duty.

Mr. G. D. Leman, sen. asst. to the coll. and mag. and agent to the gov. of Fort St. George in Ganjam, to act as princ. asst. in that dist., during the employment of Mr. H. Morris on other duty.

Mr. J. C. Hughesdon to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of Salem.

Surg. P. G. Fitzgerald, m.d., F.R.C.S.I., to act as surg. of the 4th dist. during the employment of Surg. maj. H. W. Porteous on other duty.

Rev. W. Leeming, m.a., and Mr. W. G. Smart, to be fellows of the University of Madras.

Admitted to the service:—

Mr. C. J. Knox is admitted as a member of the Madras C.S. from the 28th ult., the date of his arrival at the presidency per str. *Nemesis*.

Maj. E. Gage, 15th regt. N.I., to be lieut. col. by brevet, from March 7.

No. 92.—Madras Staff Corps.—Lieut. W. Rawlins, having completed 12 years' service, 4 of which were on permanent staff emplov., to be capt., from March 4, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Leave of absence:—

Major (brev. lieut. col.) R. Jones, 3rd regt. L.I., on residue of furl. for 11 mo. and 6 days, to Eur.

Capt. (brev. maj.) F. M. Davis, cadre 44th regt. N.I., doing duty 15th regt. N.I., on residue of furl. for 1 year, 4 mo., and 18 days, to Eur., under old regs., and to embark from Madras.

Lieut. W. Hamilton, inf. gen. list, doing duty 5th regt. N.I., for 20 mo., on m.c., to Eur., under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Surg. maj. J. Ratton, medical dept., to Bombay, on m.c., to enable him to obtain a final m.c. to Eur.

Lieut. col. G. G. McDonell, 30th regt. N.I., is permitted to proceed to sea, Australia, and New Zealand, on m.c. for 6 mo.

Maj. J. F. J. Stevenson, of the staff corps, dep. comr. 3rd class, British Burmah, is perm. to proceed to Eur. on m.c., for 20 mo.

Staff Corps.—Maj. G. P. B. Sherard, dep. judge advocate gen., Mysore div., from March 15, or date of departure, for 60 days priv. leave.

Capt. T. R. Church, acting qrmer. and interpreter 22nd regt. N.I., Madras, m.c.

Med. Dept.—Asst. surg. R. Arnold, doing duty 26th regt. N.I., from Feb. 24, for 80 days, Madras, m.c.

21st Fusiliers.—Ens. F. Tweed, 2nd batt., from Feb. 22 to March 31, Ramandroog, m.c.

18th Foot.—Lieut. E. C. Pritchard, 1st batt., to England, on m.c. He will report his arrival to the adj. gen. Horse Guards. This officer is reported unfit to do duty with troops.—Lieut. F. N. V. Burton, 1st batt., for 4 mo., Beder and Arungabad, on m.c.

108th Foot.—Ensign L. Smith, for 3 mo., Mahableshwar Hills, Matbran, and Bombay, on m.c.

21st Foot.—Maj. F. C. Elton, v.c., 2nd batt., from March 20 to June 30, the first 60 days to be priv. leave, Neilgherries.

5th Regt. N.I.—Capt. (brev. maj.) C. Nicholls, to Feb. 1, 1866, Bangalore and Eastern Coast, on m.c.

Staff Corps.—Lieut. (brev. capt.) F. W. Dobree, doing duty sappers and miners, from March 6 to March 25, Bombay, priv. leave.

76th Foot.—Capt. C. O'Donoghue, from March 3 to March 17, Bangalore.

18th Hussars.—Maj. and Paymr. S. Blake, to April 30, Neilgherries, on m.c.

No. 116.—9th Regt. N.I.—Capt. W. Peyton, from March 9, for 6 mos. to Madras.

Royal Art.—2nd Capt. J. B. Swete, B baty. D brig., from Feb. 1, the 1st 60 days to be priv. leave to Bangalore, Madras, and Neilgherries.

Inf. Gen. List.—Lieut. R. Wilson, doing duty 9th regt. N.I., for 60 days to Calcutta, priv. leave.

Med. Dept.—Surg. maj. R. R. Suttleff, 5th regt. N.I., to Madras on m.c.

MOVEMENTS OF REGIMENTS.

C battery 20th brigade Royal Artillery (without guns or horses). Trichinopoly, Thyetmyo.

This cancels the movement of the F battery 23rd

brigade Royal Artillery, ordered in G.O.G., Aug. 23, 1864, No. 328.

Alteration of rank :—

Lieut. E. S. Skinner to take rank from July 28, 1862, in succession to Jones, staff corps, holding the regtl. position of lieut. in the cadre of the 51st regt. N.I., res.

Removals :—

Staff Asst. surg. F. Dick, M.D., from doing duty B baty. 20th brig. R.A., to do duty at the depot, Poonamallee.

Asst. surg. A. R. Hall, to do duty with the R.A. at the Mount.

Appointment :—

Maj. A. Drury, staff corps, to do duty under the orders of the officer comdg. centre div.

BIRTHS.

BROCKMAN—At Cawnpore, Feb. 11, the wife of W. Brockman, Esq., of a son.

CRANENBURGH—At Calcutta, Feb. 28, the wife of Mr. P. M. Cranenburgh, of a daughter.

FIRTH—At Mooradabad, March 2, the wife of R. F. Firth, Esq., adjt. 10th Regt. N.I., of a son.

FIRTH—At St. Thome, Madras, March 2, the wife of Major H. H. Firth, Staff Corps, of a son.

FITZGERALD—At Darjeeling, the wife of Captain W. R. Fitzgerald, R.A., of a daughter.

HARLEY—At Tanjore, Feb. 26, the wife of the Rev. H. Harley, C.M.S., of a daughter.

KELLY—At Allahabad, the wife of Lieut. R. W. Kelly, of a daughter.

LANE—At Madras, March 1, the wife of Major T. G. M. Lane, Staff Corps, of a daughter.

MONEY—At Bhaugulpore, Feb. 25, the wife of Lieut.-colonel Edward Money, of a son.

NEWMARCH—At Bhundara, Central Provinces, Feb. 13, the wife of Capt. H. F. Newmarch, Bengal Staff Corps, of a son.

O'SULLIVAN—At Allahabad, March 3, the wife of T. W. O'Sullivan, of a son.

PARSONS—At Kurnal, Feb. 15, the wife of Capt. J. E. B. Parsons, of a son.

ROSE—At Rawul Pindee, Feb. 19, the wife of Major Hugh Rose, Executive Engineer, of a daughter.

RUSSELL—At Rampore Bauleah, Feb. 28, the wife of C. M. Russell, Esq., M.D., of a daughter.

RUSSELL—At Baitool, Feb. 5, the wife of W. A. Russell, of a son.

WALKER—At Hurryhur, Feb. 14, the wife of Lieut.-colonel C. E. M. Walker, 30th Regt. Madras N.I., of a son.

MARRIAGES.

ELLIS—GORDON.—At Allahabad, the Rev. R. J. Ellis, to Mary Sophia, eldest daughter of A. R. Gordon, Esq.

GROVES—REEVE.—At Coonoor, March 9, Edward K. Groves, Esq., of Seringapatam, to Isabella, youngest daughter of the late Rev. W. Reeve, of the London Missionary Society.

MACNAMARA—BAYLEY.—At Calcutta, March 6, C. Charles Macnamara, Esq., M.D., to Maria Louisa, youngest daughter of H. V. Bayley, Esq.

ROBERTSON—HERKLOTS.—At Kishnaghur, Feb. 15, Lieut. Robert Stanwix Robertson, 31st P.N.I., to Mary Veronica, sixth daughter of the late J. D. Herklots, of Berhampore.

ROSS—EWING.—At St. Matthias' Church, Vepery, March 8, Mr. George Hope Ross, to Caroline Edith, youngest daughter of Mr. R. J. Ewing.

WALLS—KYTE.—At the Scotch Kirk, Calcutta, Feb. 24, Mr. J. Walls, to Louisa, eldest daughter of the late Mr. H. Kyte.—No Cards.

WHEELER—BANERJEA.—At St. Peter's Chapel, Bishop's College, Calcutta, March 9, the Rev. Charles E. Wheeler, S. P. G., son of T. Wheeler, Esq., of Hatcham, Surrey, to Miss M. M. Banerjea, daughter of the Rev. K. M. Banerjea, Junior Professor of Bishop's College.

DEATHS.

CHILL.—At Calcutta, Feb. 6, Robert William Chill, aged 50.

CHILL.—At Calcutta, Feb. 22, Martha Chill, aged 15 years, 11 months and 7 days. Also at Calcutta, Feb. 24, Maria Chill, aged 7 years, 11 months and 20 days, daughters of the aforesaid Mr. Robert W. Chill.

FERRAULT.—At Chittagong, Jan. 30, Mr. D. B. Ferrault, aged 54.

HAMILTON.—At Retreat Villa, Allahabad, Constance Ethel Geraldine, the infant daughter of J. Montgomery Hamilton, Esq., Allahabad.

LLEWELYN.—At Calcutta, William Thomas Llewellyn, of small-pox, aged 49.

RABEHOLM.—At Calcutta, R. C. Rabeholm, Esq., aged 34.

SMITH.—At Nagpore, Feb. 14, Alfred Herrmann, second son of Charles Smith, Esq., Bank of Bengal, aged 1 year and 8 months.

SUTHERLAND.—At Calcutta, Feb. 19, Patrick Sutherland, Esq., aged 42 years, 8 months, and 5 days.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c., IN H.M.'s REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA.

April 7.

4th Foot.—Major T. Martin to be lieut. col., without purch., v. Brev. col. F. Whittingham, C.B., who retires on full pay; Capt. J. P. B. Forster to be major, without purch., v. Martin; Lieut. T. Burridge to be capt., without purch., v. Forster; Ensign F. Plummer to be lieut., without purch., v. Burridge; Gent. cadet E. R. P. Woodgate, from Royal Military College, to be ensign, without purch., v. Plummer.

19th Foot.—Qrmer. W. Maloney, from a depot batt., to be qrmer., v. W. Calderhead, dec.; April 1.

35th Foot.—Lieut. J. L. Hewson, from late 5th West India regt., to be lieut., v. C. G. MacG. Skinner, promoted to a half pay company, without purch.

48th Foot.—Capt. and Brev. major H. J. Wilkin, from 94th foot, to be capt., v. Brev. major Brooke, who exch.; Jan. 30.

66th Foot.—Lieut. J. E. Whitehead, from 105th foot, to be lieut., v. Kelly, who exch.; Jan. 23.

82nd Foot.—Lieut. W. R. Nash, from late 5th West India regt., to be lieut., v. E. H. Budgen, promoted to a half pay company, without purch.; April 7.

94th Foot.—Capt. and Brev. major H. F. Brooke, from 48th foot, to be capt., v. Brev. major Wilkin, who exch.; Jan. 30.

97th Foot.—Capt. J. R. Ramsbottom, from 63rd foot, to be capt., v. Cotton, who exch.

105th Foot.—Lieut. T. Kelly, from 66th foot, to be lieut., v. Whitehead, who exch.; Jan. 23.

BREVET.

Lieut. col. and Brev. col. F. Whittingham, C.B., retired full pay 4th foot, to have the hon. rank of major gen.

Capt. T. D. Baker, 18th foot, to be major; March 21.

April 11.

21st Hussars.—Capt. and brev. maj. E. A. Hardy to be major, v. H. R. Grindlay, who retires upon full pay; April 11.

Military Train.—Asst. surg. F. H. Macfadin, from 73rd foot, to be asst. surg.; Asst. surg. W. White, from 1st foot, to be asst. surg.; Staff asst. surg. E. L. Low, M.B., to be asst. surg.; April 1. Staff asst. surg. R. Storey to be asst. surg.; April 2.

1st Foot.—Staff asst. surg. W. S. Hedley, M.D., to be asst. surg., v. W. White, app. to the military train; April 11.

4th Foot.—Qrmer. C. Godfrey, from a depot batt., to be qrmer., v. J. Newey, dec.; April 1.

20th Foot.—The commission as instructor of musketry of Lieut. G. F. Harris to be antedated to April 6, 1864.

28th Foot.—Major and brev. lieut. col. C. F. T. Daniell, from half-pay, late particular service, to be major, v. R. R. Roundell, who retires upon half-pay; April 11.

35th Foot.—Qrmer. J. Robertson, from a depot batt., to be qrmer., v. M. M'Loughlin, who retires upon half-pay; April 1.

60th Foot.—Arthur Pepys, gent., to be ensign, by purch., v. the Hon. A. W. C. Ellis, who retires; April 11.

BREVET.

Lieut. col. and brev. col. R. Waddy, C.B., 50th foot, to have the temp. rank of brig. gen. in New Zealand.

Major, with the hon. rank of lieut. col., G. B. Harman, Unattached, late asst. inspector of volunteers, to be lieut. col.; March 9.

Paymaster, with the hon. rank of major, J. G. H. Holmes, half-pay late 12th lancers, to have the hon. rank of lieut. col.; Aug. 8, 1862.

Maj. H. R. Grindlay, retired full-pay 21st hussars, to have the hon. rank of lieut. col.; April 11.

2nd Capt. J. Bonus, royal (late Bombay) engrs., to be major; April 11.

Qrmer. M. M'Loughlin, half-pay late 35th foot, to have the hon. rank of capt.; April 1.

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ALLEN'S INDIAN MAIL,

WEDNESDAY, April 12, 1865.

THE SUEZ CANAL.

On Thursday last, April the 6th, a ceremony took place, the real value of which it would as yet be premature to determine. On that day the waters of the Mediterranean commingled with those of the Red Sea, and the continent of Africa was converted into an island. The gigantic work undertaken by M. de Lesseps has thus made decidedly greater progress than it was generally anticipated in this country it ever would make. The ship canal, indeed, is still in embryo, but it is no trifling achievement to have made a water course of any kind across the thirsty sands of the Egyptian desert. As yet it may be that no very practical benefit has been secured so far as Indo-European commerce is concerned, and that many long years of unceasing toil, and a vast expenditure of capital, will be required before a vessel of the most moderate tonnage will be able to sail or steam through what was once the Isthmus of Suez. Be that as it may, enough has now been done to prove that the construction of a navigable canal from one sea to the other is merely a question of time and money. There are no insuperable difficulties to be encountered. There are no obstacles in the way that cannot be removed by engineering skill, backed by sufficient funds. The thing can be done, and so far credit is due to M. de Lesseps for his boldness of imagination, his fertility of expedients, and his indomitable tenacity of purpose. But although the ultimate completion of the Suez Canal may be regarded as certain of accomplishment, the questions of utility to mankind in general, and of profitability to the shareholders in particular, still remain to be solved by an experience that will have to contend against jealousy and prejudice, and other more formidable opponents. The enormous outlay in the first instance will demand an equally enormous traffic to produce anything like a reasonable dividend. But whence is this mighty traffic to be obtained? Excepting at particular seasons of the year no sailing ves-

sels whatever will be tempted to beat about the reefs and shoals of the Red Sea in the teeth of a wind that blows for weeks together from the same quarter. Large ships, moreover, are not partial to voyages, such as the run from British ports along the coast of Portugal, through the Straits of Gibraltar, across the fitful Mediterranean, to the low-lying shores of Egypt, then through the many-locked canal, the Red Sea, and the Straits of Babelmandel. But if sailing ships do not frequent the canal in large numbers, heavy tolls must be levied, and if the tolls are heavy the ships will certainly be few. The chances of good dividends for the shareholders are consequently exceedingly infinitesimal. Then, as for the benefits this canal is to confer upon mankind at large, we confess that they appear to us extremely apocryphal. That France will improve her position on the Mediterranean, and become the virtual dictator of Egypt, is self-evident, a contingency not to be regarded with much favour in this country. In that case it will be incumbent on the British Government to maintain a more powerful fleet in that sea, as otherwise direct communication with India might at any time be intercepted. A small body of troops hastily thrown into Egypt would effectually bar the passage, even though the naval supremacy of the Mediterranean remained undecided. That commingling of the two seas, so joyfully celebrated only a few days since, may, perchance, prove the source of a "stream of slaughter," which shall overflow the "isthmus idly spread below," and bring unnumbered woes upon the nations of Europe. It is well to be prepared for the worst.

THE INDIAN BUDGET.

THE brief report of Sir Charles Trevelyan's financial statement, received by telegraph, is, to say the least of it, exceedingly unsatisfactory. It is not the amount of the deficit that need create any disquietude, however unpleasant may be such a contrast to the surplus of the last few years. But had the deficiency been very much larger, no serious apprehensions would have been entertained for the future had proper means been suggested for restoring the balance during the current financial year. Unhappily, the remedies prescribed by Sir Charles are worse than the disease itself, and which, besides, they are calculated to aggravate beyond all hope of immediate recovery. The actual excess of expenditure over income is no more than £144,000; but then we were assured, just twelve months ago, that the excess would be on the other side of the balance-sheet, and that it would amount to £823,288. The total difference between the estimate and the actual result of the year's operations is thus very little short

of one million sterling. This is truly an error of some magnitude, and one very damaging to Sir Charles's reputation as a financier, unless it can be shown that it arose from extraordinary circumstances, which he could not reasonably be expected to have taken into calculation. And there is really some such excuse to be made for him, for although he had estimated the receipts from opium at the comparatively low price of £100 per chest, the actual average was not much over £80. But, after all, it is not the mere fact that a deficit has arisen where a surplus was predicted that need excite a graver feeling than one of mild regret. That which really gives cause for anxiety, if not for alarm, is the mode in which Sir Charles Trevelyan proposes to restore the balance between income and expenditure during the current year. And it must be borne in mind that it is not only the insignificant sum of £144,000 that has to be made good, but also the additional sum of £1,200,000, the amount produced last year by the income-tax. True to his Madras antecedents, Sir Charles turns a deaf ear to the remonstrances of the commercial community, and resolves that the income-tax shall cease and determine from the 31st July next. This, too, he does in the face of the very considerable expenditure that will certainly fall upon the public Treasury before the Bhootan war is brought to an end. It is true the income-tax was imposed for a definite period, and it is always wise to keep faith with such engagements, and especially so with our habitually suspicious fellow-subjects in Hindostan. Still, under the peculiar circumstances of the case it might have been safely renewed for at least another year, when it might possibly have been abolished with far less inconvenience to public interests. However, Sir Charles adheres to the letter of the bond, and accordingly from the 31st of next July the European residents and well-to-do Natives will be richer by three per cent. than they were last year. But it may be questioned whether they will feel particularly grateful for the boon. Many of them, we suspect, would gladly have gone on paying their three per cent. rather than accept the alternative of seeing the agricultural interests endangered by the imposition of export duties on the produce of the soil. Instead of fostering and encouraging the growth of the infant science of agriculture, Sir Charles has done his best to keep it in its present dwarfed and stunted condition. He has selected, too, for taxation the very articles that should most of all have been exempted. He proposes to lay an export duty of three per cent. on jute, wool, tea, and coffee; and of two per cent. on hides, sugar, and silk. Now, every one of these articles rather stands in need of protection than is capable of bearing any extra burden

beyond the cost of production and transport. On two occasions jute has proved itself a valuable auxiliary to British manufacturers. When the Crimean war cut off the supply of hemp from Russia, it was discovered that an excellent substitute could be procured from the British possessions in the East. Again, when the American war put an end to the supply of cotton, the same substitute was found equally useful in the manufacture of textile fabrics. But it is not only in India that jute can be successfully cultivated. It grows abundantly in Syria, in Egypt, and on the west coast of Africa, from all of which countries there is quicker and cheaper transport to the British Isles than from the Presidencies of Madras or Bengal. The foreign grower is thus benefited to the extent of three per cent. against our own subjects, already struggling against many disadvantages. Wool, again, has to compete with that shorn from the countless flocks of Australia, while hides can be obtained either from that island-continent or from South America, on terms that will now, to some extent, drive the Indian article out of the home market. The duty on sugar will injure the East Indian growers without conferring the slightest benefit upon those in the West Indies; and the same may be said of coffee, which, as a new experiment, might well have been spared any unnecessary obstacle to its culture. In like manner with regard to tea, if there is any one branch of agriculture that deserves special favour at the hands of the Indian Government, it is this particular industry. The fine provinces of Assam, Sylhet, and Cachar—to say nothing of the spurs of the Himalayas, which will be less affected by this unwise burden—are yearly becoming more and more valuable, and almost entirely through their remarkable capabilities for the production of tea. But Sir Charles Trevelyan cares for none of these things. As Governor of Madras, his opposition to the income-tax rendered him guilty of a flagrant act of insubordination, and so, to be consistent, he takes the earliest opportunity to repeal it without reference to the exigencies of the State, and without the slightest consideration for the important interests which must suffer through his perverseness and over-weening self-conceit. He does not even appear to see that he is killing the goose that lays the golden eggs. For some years past the revenue from land has been steadily increasing, owing to the general prosperity of the country, and the introduction of new modes of culture. But one certain consequence of the imposition of export duties on raw produce will be to check all progress and enterprise, and to throw land once more out of cultivation. Could Mr. Massey have known beforehand to what sort of retro-

grade policy he was about to be committed by his predecessor, it is hardly probable that he would have consented to undertake the ungrateful task of carrying out measures repugnant to the sense and experience of the best economists of the day. As for Sir Charles Trevelyan, it is earnestly to be hoped that he will now retire into private life, content with the mischief he has already done through his crotchety disposition and angular temperament. A man may be the brother-in-law of a genius and yet possess very mediocre abilities.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—APRIL 5.

Petitions were presented by Mr. VANSITTART, from Major Henry Menars, of the Madras Army, and Major Henry Oakes, of the Bengal Army, praying for redress, &c.; by Captain JERVIS, from Captain T. Keer, late 60th Bengal Native Infantry; Captain W. C. Green, late 60th Bengal Native Infantry; Lieutenant W. V. F. Jacob, late 6th Bengal Native Infantry; Major-general W. R. A. Freeman, Madras Army; Major Lewis Grant, 32nd Madras Native Infantry; Major E. L. Grant, 1st Madras Fusiliers; Major D'Aguiar, late 4th Bengal Native Infantry; Major T. J. D'Ansey, 16th Bengal Native Infantry; Captain A. Darling, late Bengal Artillery; Captain Macleod, late Madras Artillery; Captain and Brevet-major Cahusac, 11th Bombay Native Infantry; Lieutenant-colonel Hampton, 2nd Bengal Native Infantry; and Lieutenant-colonel Harris, of the Bengal Army, to the same effect.

OFFICERS OF THE INDIAN ARMY.

Colonel SYKES, on behalf of Captain Jervis, gave notice of a motion, to be proposed on the 2nd of May, for an address to the Crown praying for the redress of certain grievances complained of by officers of the Indian army.

ORDERS OF THE BATH.

Mr. HANBURY-TRACY gave notice that on Friday, the 5th of May, on the motion for going into Committee of Supply, he should ask the First Lord of the Treasury whether it was the intention of her Majesty's Government to recommend to the Crown the amalgamation of the Civil and Military Orders of the Bath, and should move for returns.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—APRIL 6.

Petitions were presented, by Mr. TORRENS, from Lieutenant-Colonel W. M. Leckie, 13th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, Lieutenant-Colonel J. S. Kemball, Bombay Staff Corps, Lieutenant E. G. Jenkins, 1st Regiment Bombay Light Cavalry, and Lieutenant A. W. Godson, 12th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, complaining of violation of rights secured to them by Act of Parliament, and praying for redress; by Colonel SYKES, from Lieutenant W. R. Adams, 23rd Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, Lieutenant A. H. Davis, of the late 2nd Bombay European Regiment, Lieutenant and Adjutant A. P. Currie, 3rd Regiment Bombay Light Cavalry, and Lieutenant M. M. Carpendale, 1st Regiment Scinde Horse, to the same effect.

THE PEGU PRIZE MONEY.

Mr. H. COLE asked the Under-Secretary of State for War when the extraordinary delay in the distribution of the Pegu War prize money was likely to terminate, and why the prize rolls of the 51st Foot, which served in that war, had not been received at the Royal Hospital, Chelsea.

Sir C. WOOD said the prize rolls for her Majesty's 51st Foot had been sent to Chelsea Hospital for payment. The rolls of the 102nd,

late 1st Madras Fusiliers, had been received, and the prize money was now in distribution; the remaining prize rolls of the Madras portion of the force were expected shortly.

THE BHOOTAN EXPEDITION.

Lord DUNKELIN asked the Secretary of State for India whether the present invasion of Bhootan had been undertaken with the consent and sanction of the Home Government; whether it was true that two of her Majesty's European Regiments had been ordered up to support the invading force; and whether it was the intention of the Indian Government to keep the troops in the unhealthy country of Bhootan during the coming rainy season; and if so, what, if any, arrangements had been made for putting them under cover.

Sir C. WOOD said that when the failure of the mission that had been sent to Bhootan was known, three courses were suggested for the Government to follow. One was permanent occupation of the country; the second was a temporary occupation; and the third was to take possession of a small portion of the country, including the passes leading therefrom. He had been averse from a permanent occupation of the whole country, and equally so from a temporary occupation, because he did not see how it would be possible to withdraw when we had once taken possession, and therefore the Government of India and himself were of opinion that the third course he had mentioned was that which they ought to adopt. At the end of December all the passes had been occupied, and our loss, except by one unfortunate accident, had been only five men. We remained in peaceable possession until the end of January, when the Bhootanese assembled in great force and attacked our troops. He would not express any opinion upon what happened then, as it was a subject of pending inquiry, but the result had been that it had been thought desirable to send forward a regiment and a half of British troops. He could not say what arrangements had been made or would be made, but in the last despatch he had received there was this statement:—"We shall spare no pains to provide shelter for the troops and to secure their health as far as possible."

ENGLISH SUBJECTS IN CHINA.

Colonel SYKES wished to put a question to the Attorney-General, but in order to make it intelligible he would state the circumstances which had rendered it necessary. A mercantile house at Ningpo had long been in the habit of sending up the river a boat laden with dollars for the purchase of silk. During the occupancy of that region by the Taepings the boat had never been molested, but lately the boat was attacked and plundered by Europeans in the Imperial service. The men were traced—one to Shanghai and two to Hong Kong, where they were seized and committed to prison. Mr. Kent, the merchant, now informed his partner in this country that the judge at Hong Kong had released the prisoners, upon the ground that there was no law to punish Europeans who committed crimes in the interior of China. He wished to know from the Attorney-General whether it was true that the state of the law was such that Europeans might with impunity commit robberies or murders in China.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL said the only answer he could give was that Europeans who committed in China what would be crimes in this country were amenable, if they could be caught and the facts proved against them, to the consular authorities in China, and also to the Criminal Court at Hong Kong. He presumed that in the case referred to by the hon. and gallant gentleman there was a difficulty in obtaining evidence.

INDIAN OFFICERS.

Sir H. VERNEY asked the Secretary of State for India whether it was necessary to retain

the present regulation by which officers serving in India forfeit their Indian allowance if they come to Europe while on furlough of six months, and whether he would direct that where non-commissioned officers of regiments in India are sent home on the completion of their first period of service, and others are appointed in their places, the acting non-commissioned officers shall receive the rates of pay due to the rank they fill from the date of their appointment, without waiting until the discharge of the men in England is notified.

Sir C. WOOD in reply, pointed out the injustice of burdening India with the pay and allowances of officers who were amusing themselves in London. With regard to the second question, the measure suggested would simply amount to the keeping up of a double set of non-commissioned officers.

HOUSE OF LORDS.—APRIL 7.

THE BHOOTAN EXPEDITION.

Lord LYVEDEN asked what measures of security for the future the Government intended to take in consequence of the events recently reported to have occurred in Bhootan. He did not approve the annexation of the country to the Indian empire.

Lord DUFFERIN stated the reasons that had compelled the Government to send a military force into Bhootan, and added that the Government had no intention to annex the district. A sufficient force had now been ordered up to keep possession of the forts on the frontier.

Lord ELLENBOROUGH censured the manner in which the expedition had been conducted. The force sent was inadequate and inefficient. He hoped the House would soon take into its serious consideration the whole subject of the present organisation of the Indian army.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—APRIL 7.

Petitions praying for the redress of grievances occasioned by the alleged violation of the Parliamentary Guarantee were presented, by Lord STANLEY, from Major Day and Major Power, of the Indian army; by Lord J. MANNERS, from Major-General G. A. Baillie, of the Madras army; Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Barber, 29th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; Lieutenant-Colonel M. T. French, 34th Regiment Madras Light Infantry; Major W. Barber, 33rd Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Major William S. Davis, 15th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. MALINS, from Major J. P. Briggs, 40th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; Lieutenant J. H. Prendergast, 38th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and Lieutenant C. A. Porteous, 27th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; and by Colonel NORTH, from Colonel Manson, Bombay army; Brevet-Major E. Loch, Bombay Cavalry; Lieutenant-Colonel Birdwood and Lieutenant-Colonel H. R. C. Moore, of the Indian army.

INDIAN CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS.

Mr. A. MILLS gave notice that on Tuesday, May 16, he would call the attention of the House to the existing regulations for the examination of candidates for the Civil Service in India, and would move a resolution on the subject.

THE BHOOTAN EXPEDITION.

Mr. H. SEYMOUR called attention to the recent news from Bhootan, giving a brief narrative of the occurrences in the expedition to that country, and of the original cause of it. He thought the circumstances were of so exceptional a character that the House should have some explanation before separating for the holidays.

After observations by Mr. VANSITTART, Mr. GOSCHEN, and Mr. TORRENS on the conduct of the war,

Sir C. WOOD, discrediting some of the accounts referred to by Mr. Seymour, said he thought the best course upon the whole was to give the House a statement of what had really

taken place between the Indian Government and Bhootan. He accordingly gave a narrative of the transactions, beginning with the mission of Mr. Eden, who, he said, had not been guilty of any indiscretion, and explaining the choice of measures at the option of the Bengal Government to punish the Bhootecas for the insult offered to the British envoy. He detailed the operations of the British force sent to occupy the dooars, and stated the condition of affairs at the date of the last advices.

THE LEVEE.

By command of the Queen a Levee was held on the 5th inst., at St. James's Palace, by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales. The following were among the presentations to the Prince of Wales on behalf of the Queen:—

Mr. Thomas Baring.
Major G. T. Dick, 3rd Regt. Madras N.I.
Mr. Nugent Daniell.
Ensign Fox, Ceylon Rifle Regt., by Lieut. gen. Sir James Y. Scarlett.
Mr. C. Forjett, late Acting Commissioner of Police, Bombay.
Capt. G. F. Graham, Bengal Army, by Col. Fulke-Greville, M.P.
Asst. surg. N. Griesbach, M.D., Madras Army.
Lieut. col. Charles G. Gordon, C.B., Royal Engineers, on promotion and return from China, by the Duke of Cambridge.
Major D. Hoste, Bengal Staff Corps.
Capt. C. James, Madras Staff Corps.
Lieut. col. R. MacLagan, Royal Engineers (Bengal).
Lieut. J. W. McQueen, Bengal Staff Corps, by Maj. gen. G. B. Tremeneere.
Mr. E. G. Man, Assistant Commissioner, Bengal, on returning to India.
Mr. P. S. Melvill, Bengal Civil Service.
Lieut. H. W. Pitcher, Bengal Staff Corps, on receiving the Victoria Cross.
Lieut. and adjt. A. L. Playfair, Hyderabad Contingent, by Sir William Dunbar, Bart.
Lieut. col. J. C. Scott, Bengal Staff Corps.
Capt. H. A. W. Waterfield, Bengal Army.
Major R. Warden, Bombay Staff Corps.
The officers whose names stand alone were presented by Sir Charles Wood, as Secretary of State for India.

INDIAN GRIEVANCES AT THE POLICE-COURT.

MARLBOROUGH-STREET, APRIL 6.

Mrs. Farrell, of No. 13, King-street, was summoned by Major-General North for detaining private letters.

Major-General North said he was chairman of an association for the purpose of remedying the grievances of Indian officers. The association hired an office in the house of the defendant, and after occupying it for some time paid up all the rent that was due, and vacated the place. The defendant received several letters addressed to him in his capacity of chairman of the association, and these letters she refused to give up, unless a demand of £3. 2s. was paid. This demand he believed arose from a charge for fires during 62 days, at 2s. a day. The amount he refused to audit and pay, and it was consequently reduced one-half, which sum was paid to the defendant.

Mr. Knox asked if the charge of 2s. a day was for one fire only.

Major-General North replied that it was. Miss Farrell, who attended for her mother, said the claim was for rent, not for firing.

Mr. Knox said the production of the receipts would show if any rent was due, and he recommended that they should be sent for.

Some papers having been sent for and produced,

Major-general North said the papers would prove that the rent due up to date had been paid. He admitted there was a sum of £3. 8s. in dispute, but that arose from overcharge for fire.

Mr. Knox said the charge of 2s. a day for one fire appeared to him preposterous.

Miss Farrell said the Indian officers kept an unusually large fire, but she repeated that the demand was for disputed rent.

Captain Hamilton said every claim for rent had been fully discharged. The only dispute had reference to an overcharge for a single fire.

Major-general North said the detention of the letters had put the society to great inconvenience, as they contained petitions to be presented to the House of Commons.

Mr. Knox said it was clear to him, from the evidence, that no unsettled claim for rent existed. He should make an order for the delivery of the letters, and if the defendant wished to carry the matter further she could go to the County Court.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BILLS ON INDIA.—The biddings for £300,000 in bills on India took place on the 5th inst., at the Bank of England. The proportions allotted were—to Calcutta, £174,210; and to Madras, £22,000. The minimum price was fixed at 1s. 11½d. on Calcutta and Madras, and 1s. 11½d. on Bombay. Tenders on Calcutta and Madras at and above the minimum will receive in full. On Bombay all the tenders were below the minimum. These terms show a reduction of more than 1 per cent. from those obtained on the last occasion, and indicate a further rapid diminution in the demand for means of remittance from this country.

LUCKIMPORE TEA COMPANY.—A prospectus has been issued of the Luckimpore Tea Company of Assam, with a capital of £150,000 in shares of £10 each, to purchase two estates in Assam for £112,000, the vendors taking one-fourth in shares, and the remaining three-fourths in cash, by instalments, and guaranteeing a dividend of 10 per cent. for the present and three following years.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 3. Eastern Province, Mauritius; Minden, Tuticorin.—4. Royal Oak, Calcutta.—5. Lucknow, Bangkok.—6. Knight Commander, Calcutta; Patricia, Calcutta.—7. French Empire, Calcutta. 11. Upland, Calcutta; Devonshire, Moulmein.

DEPARTURES.

April 3. Blanche Moore, Calcutta.—4. Margaretta, Bombay.—8. Alice, Madras; Sir J. Macdonald, Kurrachee.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Overland Route.—From SOUTHAMPTON, March 27, per str. Poonah.—For BOMBAY.—Messrs. W. Gilroy, D. Gillespie, G. Martin, C. Parker, W. Jupe, W. Sanger, George Holdaway, W. Boyer, J. Hume. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. H. A. Leonard.

Per str. Nyansa.—From MARSEILLES.—For CALCUTTA.—Maj. C. H. Hallett, Mr. J. Wells, Mr. Groom, the Rev. C. Bennett, Capt. C. H. Larpent, Mr. J. M. Clelland. For MADRAS.—Capt. and Mrs. Dunbar, Mr. N. Denison, Capt. J. M. Grant.

Per Overland Route, April 4, per str. Delta.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—For CALCUTTA.—Capt. Watts, R.E., Mr. Balderson, Col. Bagot, Miss H. Taylor, Mr. Abbott, Mr. Morris, Mr. Bonyard, Lieut. R. J. O'Brien. For MADRAS.—Mr. F. R. Tynnam, Miss Vincent. For ALEXANDRIA.—F. Day, Esq., James Currie, wife, and infant.

Per str. Ellora.—From MARSEILLES.—For BOMBAY.—Capt. Carleton, Mr. H. Daniell, Mr. P. Daniell, Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins, Maj. H. Shewell, Mr. G. Pictch, Mr. E. Meisenger, Maj. Holland, Mr. S. A. Johnson. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. E. S. Franzhiadi.

Per Overland Route, April 12, per str. Ripon.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—For BOMBAY.—Mr. and Mrs. Ord, Mr. T. S. Milne, Mr. and Mrs. Kipling, Miss Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, Mr. W. Conolly, Mr. and Mrs. Critchett. From MARSEILLES.—For BOMBAY.—Mr. John Napier, Mr. W. H. Scott, Mr. Anthony, Mr. Peel, Mr. C. Thorburn, Mr. Macbean, Mr. Ovenstone, Mr. and Mrs. T. Glover.

DOMESTIC.

MARRIAGES.

FRANKS—FROM.—Charles N. Bayley, second son of William Franks, Esq., of Clapham-common, to Emma, youngest daughter of William From, Esq., of Gloucester-terrace, Hyde-park, at Trinity Church, Westbourne-terrace, Hyde-park, by the Rev. Wentworth Bowyer, M.A., Rector of Clapham, Surrey, assisted by the Rev. Hugh Sherrard, M.A., cousin of the bride, March 4.

TWEEDIE—CUNLIFFE.—Charles Tweedie, Esq., son of the late Thomas Tweedie, Esq., of Quarter, Peebleshire, and the Bengal Medical Service, to Ada Frances, eldest daughter of David Cunliffe, Esq., H.M.'s Bengal Civil Service, at St. Thomas', Portman-square, April 6.

WALLINGER—TAYLOR.—John A. Wallinger to Caroline E., youngest daughter of the late William R. Taylor, Esq., of the Madras Civil Service, at the Parish Church, Brighton, April 6.

DEATHS.

BIVAR—Henry J. S., eldest child of Lieut. colonel Belli Bivar, 1st Madras Light Cavalry, at 2, Clifton-road, St. John's-wood, aged 10 years, April 7.

BOYD—General Mossom Boyd, H.M.'s Indian Army, at 6, Dawson-place, Bayswater, aged 84, April 8.

DUFFERIN—Anna Dorothea, Dowager Baroness Dufferin and Claneboye, widow of James Stephensoff, Lord Baron Dufferin and Claneboye, at her residence, Glengana, Bangor, County Down, Ireland, aged 92, March 28.

GREEN—Major Theophilus Green, late 48th Bengal N.I., and of The Grange, Tytherington, Gloucestershire, at Tulse-hill, aged 43, April 8.

HALL—Lieut. colonel Henry Hall, late of the Madras Army, at Saffron Walden, Essex, aged 65, April 6.

REID—Mary Matilda, wife of George W. Reid, Esq., of Calcutta, at Berrylands, Sarbiton, April 2.

India Office,

April 11, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. E. F. Lautour, Mr. W. H. Hudson, Mr. J. C. Robertson, Mr. C. Currie, Mr. R. E. Baker (Uncov.).

Madras Estab.—Mr. J. Ratcliff.

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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

WE are in receipt of our usual files of papers from Bombay to the 28th of March and from Calcutta to the 22nd of that month.

The recapture of the Bala Pass by the force under the command of Brigadier-General Tytler appears to have been effected in gallant style. On the morning of the 15th of March the 19th N.I.—formerly the 7th Punjab Infantry—led on by Captain Ruggles, dashed at the enemy's position, and swarmed up the palisades, sword in hand. Captain Winson, with 100 Ghoorikas of the 18th N.I.—the old Allypore Regiment—also joined in the assault, but the post of honour was taken and held by the Seikhs. The Bhootahs lost a chief and 34 men, while the loss on the side of the assailants was five killed and a dozen wounded, including among the latter Captain MacGregor, Major of Brigade, who received a slight wound in the hand.

The 43rd Bengal N.I. are to be disbanded, in consequence of their dastardly conduct in connection with the retreat at Dewangiri.

In consequence of the excessive heat, Sir John Lawrence purposes to hasten his departure from the Presidency. The 2nd of April is now spoken of as the probable date of his Excellency's flight from the City of the Shadow of Death.

Sir Hugh Rose was to leave Calcutta on the 23rd by the *Mooltan*, but with the intention of landing at Madras, and thence proceeding to Bombay. A farewell banquet was given to his Excellency by the Bengal Club on the 20th, and on the following day by the Viceroy; and on the evening of the 22nd Sir Hugh was to have been entertained at a public dinner by the European residents of Calcutta, civilian, military, and mercantile.

Sir William Mansfield was still in the Punjab, and at the date of the latest accounts was on his way to Lahore, where his Excellency was to assume the chief command. In the usual place for such documents, we give Sir William Mansfield's Farewell General Order on the recent changes in the Bombay Army, and also a

Government General Order on Sir William's resignation, in which the Governor-in-Council "tenders to him the acknowledgments of Government for his unremitting and successful exertions whilst in command of the Bombay Army to promote its efficiency." The command of the Bombay Army devolved on General Van Straubenzee on the 14th March, and will be held by him for four months, until the expiration of Sir Robert Napier's leave of absence. Sir Robert left Calcutta on the 10th, and was succeeded in the Viceroy's Council by Mr. G. N. Taylor, of the Madras Civil Service. The seat about to be vacated by Mr. Harington will be filled by Colonel Durand.

Dr. Cotton, Lord Bishop of Calcutta, has also commenced a tour of visitation. His Lordship proposed to officiate in Umritsur on the 2nd of April, and in Lahore on the 9th. It is said that his Lordship intends visiting Cashmere by way of Jummoo before proceeding to Murree, where he will pass the summer months.

The Indo-European Telegraph has already proved unequal to the Herculean labour it has undertaken to perform. The necessity for the speedy construction of a second line is day by day becoming more and more manifest. Complaints, too, are made of the time wasted in forwarding messages from Kurrachee to Calcutta. A message from London will reach Kurrachee in twenty-four hours, but two or three days are occupied in sending it on to the other side of India.

We regret to state that cholera has broken out in the 4th Madras Native Infantry, and that from 250 to 300 deaths have taken place, chiefly among the women and children. Some fifty sepoy are reported to have been carried off, and also the Sergeant-Major and the acting Quarter-Master and Interpreter, Lieutenant G. A. Young, formerly of the 52nd N.I. Two other officers and two ladies had likewise been attacked, but were gradually recovering. The ill-fated corps was on its march from Madras to Secunderabad, the disease first making its appearance at Ongole.

A very destructive fire occurred at Maulmain on the 1st March, and was not

got under until 400 houses had been consumed. The total loss of property is estimated at half-a million sterling, Messrs. Hobday and Co. being among the largest sufferers.

Mr. Justice Levinge, who was raised to the Calcutta bench in the early part of 1863, died at Penang on the 2nd of March. At the sitting of the Court on the morning of the 15th, the Advocate-general alluded to this sad event in the following terms:—

"Before the Court proceeds further in the day's business, it may not be out of place for me to take this opportunity of expressing, on the part of both branches of the profession, the deep regret with which we have received the news of the death of one whom, I think, I may truly call 'our friend,' Mr. Justice Levinge. It is not my province to pass an eulogium on the decisions of the deceased judge; I only venture to express our deep sense of the uniform patience, attention, and courtesy which distinguished his judicial conduct. We feel, as I am sure every member of your lordship's bench must feel, that by the death of Mr. Justice Levinge the High Court has sustained a heavy, I might say, an irreparable loss."

In reply, Mr. Justice Macpherson said that the bench as well as the bar entertained the greatest esteem for the friend whose loss they now deplored; and that, whether regard were had to the high judicial qualities and great legal ability of Mr. Justice Levinge, or to his more social and private qualities, which made him universally beloved, it was a loss all must deplore; and it would be difficult to supply his place.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[By Direct Overland Telegraph.]

BOMBAY, April 15.

Cotton tending downwards. Dhollerah, 2,602.

CALCUTTA, April 13.

7lbs. shirtings, 7r 2a. Exchange on London, 2s. 0½d.

CANTON, March 15.

Grey shirtings and water twist unchanged. Total export of tea to date, 110,625,000 lbs. Exchange on London, 4s. 6½d.

SHANGHAI, March 9.

Tai-ping is reported to have been captured. Hangchow and Ying-chou-fee have revolted against the Chinese Government.

There is nothing of importance from Japan. It is said that the port of Hiogo (?) has been opened to foreign trade.

Tea unchanged. Export of silk to date, 35,750 bales. Exchange on London 6s. 4½d.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

H.M.'s Forces.—Maj. C. B. Tucker, 3rd Light Dragoons, at 23, Chestow-place, Bayswater, aged 82. Lieut. D. R. Cameron, B.A.A., at the Officers' Hospital, Charingcross, March 19, from wounds received on service with the mountain train battery of Armstrong guns, on service with the Bhootan or Field Force.

BENGAL.—Col. J. L. A. Walker, 35th Bengal N.I., at Calcutta, March 11.

MADRAS.—Lieut. Young, Qrnr. 4th M.N.I., on march to Secunderabad, in March. Dr. Ratton, 3rd M.L.C., at Karanja, Madras, in March, of cholera. Col. S. Townsend, late H.E.I.C.S., Madras Establishment, at 15, Mortimer-street, Cavendish-square, April 17.

BOMBAY.—Lieut. W. Walker Dawson, H.M.'s late Indian Navy, at Margate, aged 33, April 13.

Passengers by the present Mail.

For MARSEILLES.—From BOMBAY.—Mr. and Mrs. Repton, Mrs. Saunders and infant, Mr. Westropp, Mr. Monkton, Mr. Cavillier, Lieut. Grant, Lieut. Tondill, Lieut. Fritchard, Mr. Robinson, Mr. McFarlane, Dr. McLeod.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. Ellora, April 26.—From BOMBAY.—Mr. Brunton, Mrs. Bazel and four children, Mrs. Plowden, Mr. and Mrs. Browning and three infants, Mr. J. Wadley, Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Combe and four children, Mohamed Suchoo, Maj. Peggson, Mrs. Lodwick, Lieut. Col. Kinlock, lady, and four children, Lieut. C. W. Young, Mrs. Munt, Capt. F. L. Miller, Lieut. S. A. Smith, Comdr. Burna y, Lieut. C. H. Plowden, Maj. Thompson and two children, Mrs. Norris, Mrs. Landley, Dr. and Mrs. Morton, Mr. Birch and three children, Lieut. Col. Balmain, Mr. J. Brydon, Mr. T. B. Hutchinson.

BENGAL.

THE BOOTAN REPORT.

One of the reports "on the state of Bootan and the progress of the Mission of 1863-64," by the Honourable Ashley Eden, the Envoy, has lately been published at the Bengal-office. The other gives an account of what the writer terms the "ill-treatment to which we were exposed," and fully details "the insolence with which we were treated at Poonakh by the Amla, their assumed willingness to accept the terms offered them by the Government of India, their subsequent refusal to have anything to say to those terms, their threats to confine me in the Fort unless I signed an agreement to return to them the attached Assam Dooars, for which we had regularly paid them revenue, their withholding supplies, their attempt to seize and detain Cheeboo Lama, and the difficulty which we had in getting away from Poonakh by forced night marches to Paro, even after complying with their demands under protest." This "confidential" report is withheld from the public with what would be pronounced wisdom if nothing were known of its contents. But the truth, sad as it was, had been so exaggerated in native durbars, that its publication could not have at least added to the disgrace which Mr. Eden has entailed upon his countrymen in the East as well as on the Government which selected him. Even the report which has only now seen the light, though written in July, last year, will give little information that is new or true to the Indian public, though it may enlighten the few members of Parliament who take an intelligent interest in India. Much of it has already appeared, in one form or another; and much of that part of it which is new has been proved by recent events to be so untrustworthy that the critical reader finds no difficulty in accounting for the comparative failure of the first part of the war which we have above described. The two merits of the report are, that it brings together, in a hundred folio pages of "official" English, such a view of our relations with Bootan as would be supplied by the *précis* of an Under-Secretary; and that it publishes authoritatively an account of recent politics in Thibet.

Our relations with the Bootans began, so far as records show, in 1772, when they were driven out of Cooch Behar, which they had invaded, by Captain Jones, who not only took the three forts of Darling, Chichacotta, and Passakha, but forced the savages to ask the assistance of the Teshoo Lama who was acting as regent of Thibet. He sent a friendly letter to Warren Hastings in 1774, accompanied by such presents as gilt leather stamped with the Russian eagle. In return the Governor-General despatched Mr. Bogle to Lassa, through Bootan, and he returned entrusted by the Lama with money to build a temple on the Hooghly. When the Grand Lama succeeded to power, nine years after, the well-known mission of Captain Turner was sent to congratulate him on the event. That officer's account of the state of Bootan was too glowing to be correct. In 1787 the Dharma and Deb Rajas sent a vakeel to Calcutta to adjust some boundary disputes, and from our weakness on that occasion, in purchasing the continuance of their friendship by sacrificing our own subjects, just as we have lately done in restoring Dhar and Raichore, all our future troubles are to be dated. In the face of documents, and the decision of our own collector, the Government of the day made over to the Bootans the lands of the Zemindar of Bykantpore, and to this hour the present owners speak of them as having been presented by the East India Company for the support of the temples of the idol Mahakul. From that time till the present day hardly a year has passed without

serious aggressions on our territory, borne by us with unusual forbearance. In 1815 Kiahen-kant Boso was sent to settle boundary disputes; and has left us an intelligent account of the country. Again in 1837 we deputed Captain Pemberton with the botanist, Dr. Griffith, and twenty-five sepoy under Ensign Blake. His report, of which we gave an account when Mr. Eden's similar mission set out, is most full and interesting. But the results were so unsatisfactory, and he so narrowly escaped the treatment Mr. Eden suffered, that in 1841 the Governor-General replied to the urgent entreaties of Colonel Jenkins, Commissioner of Assam, that he was averse to sending another agent to that country. "Fruitless Missions of this kind," said Lord Auckland with almost prescience of the fate of Mr. Eden, "will only tend to aggravate our embarrassments, and are not creditable to the British power." From that time the aggressions of the Bootans went on increasing, and on different occasions the Government of the day, like a favourite operadancer, warned the Deb Raja of the consequences "once more, avowedly for the last time." In 1856 Lord Dalhousie threatened permanent annexation, but though the insolent attacks still continued, Sir J. P. Grant thought no immediate action was needed. At last, in March, 1860, the Fallahcotta territory was seized by Lord Canning. This, too, failed, and only in January, 1862, did Lord Elgin agree to send an envoy.

If the declaration of the Governor-General in 1841 was true, that a Mission would only tend to aggravate our embarrassments and was not creditable to the British power, much more was such a course to be deprecated after other twenty years of unchecked insolence and cruelty. This report conclusively proves that action of some kind was imperative; that, to use Lord Granville's words in the House of Lords, a war with Bootan is "just and necessary." But it shows clearly that to send a mission was only to increase the Bootans' impression of our weakness. The proper course was the alternative contemplated by Lord Dalhousie, of annexing not only the Dooars, but part of the upper hill country which has the advantages of Darjeeling. And if there had been any doubt of this it would have been removed by the obstacles which met Mr. Eden at every step. In spite of the want of a settled government, of the fact that a rebellion was going on in Bootan, of the warnings of some subordinate officials through whose jurisdiction he passed, of the studied impertinence and insults of others, and of the necessity which forced him to leave so many of the escort and stores behind, Mr. Eden went on. The world would have applauded his resolution and devotion to duty, but that unfortunately these not uncommon English virtues failed him at the very point where failure involved disaster and disgrace.

Perhaps the humiliation of the envoy would have been forgotten, or at least its effect on the prestige of his country would have been removed, had Mr. Eden obtained such information as would not have prevented our army from triumphantly wiping out the disgrace. To him, in the absence of all other intelligence, Government looked for facts. The value of what he supplied we leave to be estimated from these statements, contrasted with the truth which we have since bought at so dear a price. Of Tongso Penlow, who took and holds Dewangiri, he says:—

"We were told much of the strength of his forces, but we saw him march out on his way back to Tongso, and he had only some 300 men altogether, of whom about 110 were armed with clumsy matchlocks. He possibly may have altogether some 400 men and perhaps 200 matchlocks, but a portion of these he was obliged to leave to protect his own fort at Tongso."

The report estimates the hill population from which the soldiers are taken at 20,000, which would give only 4,000 fighting men if

all the male adults were engaged. The military strength is thus described:—

"The Bootanese have no organised or disciplined force. At each of the Forts of Paro and Poonakh there are about 400 Poes or Sepoys, and at Tongso about 600; the Poonakh force has also to protect Tassiahjung. Of the whole about 600 are armed with old matchlocks; they have, however, scarcely any ammunition, and it takes three men to fire a matchlock. They told us that they had no confidence in fire-arms, and scarcely ever used them except in taking forts. Their chief arms are stones, a long knife, a shield, and bows and arrows; the latter they can scarcely use. The catapult which they also employ is a clumsy contrivance by which twenty or thirty men, with an immense deal of trouble, throw a stone about 180 yards. Round their outposts they put little spikes of bamboos, which may possibly be effective against naked feet on a dark night, but would be little or no impediment to our Sepoys. The leaders, and some of the Poes, wear coats of mail and iron helmets. They admit themselves to be the most despicable soldiers on the face of the earth."

No wonder that we undervalued our enemy, and that, on the approach of the rainy season, two European regiments must be sent to do, at a disadvantage, what ought to have been accomplished, without any mission, years ago. —*Friend of India.*

MISCELLANEOUS.

AN EYE TO BUSINESS.—A few Sundays ago a scandalous piece of business took place in St. James's Church, Anarkullee, Lahore. The facts are related by the Rev. Kilbee Stuart, chaplain of the station. The Adjutant of the 6th N.I. was leaving the place, and wished to have his things disposed of by auction. Accordingly he made the job over to one Newson, who had the necessary placards printed announcing

A GRAND AUCTION.

These, on the Sunday in question, were found by the congregation scattered all over the seats, to the horror and indignation of those who came to forget for a while all the meaner concerns of this life. To whom the profanity is exactly due no one will confess, especially after the reverend gentleman's determination to "brand him as a profane person, a heathen man, and a publican." The chuprassee who brought the notices to the church says he was ordered to do so by the *Adjutant saheb*; but the Adjutant denies it altogether, so there is an end of the matter so far as he is concerned. Mr. Newson has not yet put forth a disclaimer, and when he does, the whole blame will unquestionably descend on the capacious shoulders of the chuprassee, who will be held responsible for all the worldliness and heathenism of his betters.

UMBALLA WATER SUPPLY.—According to the *Pioneer*, the station of Umballa suffers greatly from want of water, but two enormous wells have been constructed a short distance beyond the cantonments, and leading from those wells are ducts, which convey it to the artillery and cavalry lines. This, however, can be but a temporary expedient. A project of a permanent nature has, for a long time, been before Government for introducing a supply from certain fresh-water lakes which exist in the neighbourhood, and it is, as we hear, a perfectly feasible one. We can scarcely think that the amount of outlay—estimated at something under two lacs—need long deter Government from adding the one element wanting in this dullest, but otherwise most desirable of stations.

THE FORT GLOSTER MILLS have been put up for sale at the office of the Company in Hasting's-street, and knocked down to Capt. T. E. Rogers, for four lakhs and ninety thousand rupees. The shareholders will thus receive 1,225 rupees per share.

C BATTERY 22ND BRIGADE R.A. left Agra March 14th by train for Delhi, en route to Meer.

THE LATE MR. GOODEVE.—We (*Englishman*) observe with great regret the announcement, in the home journals, of the death, at Clifton, of Mr. Joseph Goodeve, formerly of the Calcutta Bar, and for some time officiating as Master of the late Supreme Court. Mr. Goodeve came to this country at a somewhat advanced age, with a matured reputation for sound legal acquirements, and his merits as an English lawyer were at once recognised, both by the profession and by the public. To the latter, however, he is probably best known as the author of the useful elementary treatise upon Evidence, which he published about three years ago, and which, although without pretensions of much originality, has, from the clearness and fullness of its matter, taken its place as a standard work upon the subject to which it relates. For a considerable time previous to his leaving this country, Mr. Goodeve had held the professorship of English Law in the Presidency College, for which appointment his great good sense and extensive attainments especially qualified him. To all who knew him in private life, Mr. Goodeve was endeared, by the simplicity and geniality of his manners, as well as by the sterling goodness of his disposition.

MR. F. MACNAGHTEN, of the Civil Service, who has been placed out of employ by the local executive, has stated in his appeal to the Supreme Government that he was exonerated by the commissioner, Mr. Cockburn, from the charges brought against him, and that he was promoted immediately afterwards by the Bengal Government. With reference to his letter to the High Court, which seems to have given offence to the judges, he submits that it was not considered insubordinate or petulant by the Government, and that had the High Court expressed its opinion sooner, he would have been glad to apologise, or to make any amends in his power. In reply to the charge of his having, on the most frivolous and childish excuses withheld the papers required by the magistrate of Midnapore, he has stated that his answer to the earlier application was that he had appealed the case, and therefore considered himself justified in withholding the papers. With reference to the charge of disingenuousness and bad spirit, he has declared that he never stated the papers had been forwarded to the Government, until they had actually left his hands.

CABOOL.—The Ameer has lost Kelat, which has fallen into the hands of Sirdar Mahomed Ameen Khan. In the meanwhile the *Delhi Gazette* correspondent gives the following summary of a letter received by the Ameer, from his agents in Toorkistan, regarding the progress of Russian intrigues. On the application of the Russians, the King of Bokhara has allowed them to have their cantonment in Chahar Joee, a place in the Bokhara territory, close to Murve Shahjehan, situated on the bank of the Hamoon. The Shah of Persia has also given his consent to their locating their troops in Murve Shahjehan, so the Russian troops will be cantoned there. The Russians are about to lay out their cantonments in those places, and will not meet with any interference from those Powers. The Russians are said to have assured the King of Bokhara that they will give him all the places they may take from the Mohammedan rulers, and will only keep their troops there.

JUDICIOUS CLEMENCY.—The *Oudh Gazette* informs us that the Government of India, on the recommendation of the Chief Commissioner, has sanctioned to the two sons of the Rajah of Boundee and the Rajah of Akowna 5,000 acres each of waste land in the Baraitch district, on the condition that the grantees support their immediate relations from the proceeds of the land. The grounds on which the request was made are, that when the Begum mother of Brijis Kudr, the *pseudo* king of Oudh, was driven across the Gogra in 1858, she took up her residence at the fort of the

Rajah of Boundee, a powerful chief of the Baiktwar Rajpoots in the Baraitch district. Considering himself compromised by this circumstance, he fled into Nepaul, and soon afterwards died there. His two sons, who were very young at the time, returned to the province in 1859, and have since been living on the bounty of the Rajah of Kuppoothulla, on whom the valuable confiscated estate of their father had been conferred. The Rajah of Akowna, head of the Jamoor clan of Rajpoots, having been in arms against us, took refuge in Nepaul, under much the same circumstances as the Boundee Rajah, but, more fortunate than he, lived to return to Oudh in 1859, after the term fixed by the amnesty had expired. His estate also was confiscated, and bestowed on the Rajah of Kuppoothulla, from whom he too receives a charitable allowance for the support of himself, his young family, and two brothers. Neither of these rajahs was suspected of the maltreatment of Europeans, or of participation in any atrocities; bad advice alone prevented their acceptance of the offer of pardon which was made when we took possession of the Trans-Gogra districts.

LANDLORDS AND TENANTS.—Though the pleadings in the famous Rent Case were closed a week ago, the Judges of the High Court are still sitting in private, and are likely to do so for some time, to consider a judgment which will affect the conditions of millions. Any decision short of confirming that of Sir B. Peacock, which gave the landlord a due proportion of net profit, or the highest market-rate of rent, will be productive practically of gross injustice. On the "proportion of produce" principle, those who had long ago raised their rates will now get a very high rent—the case of the native zemindar; while those who allowed their tenant to sit at a very low rent from whatever reason, will still get a low one—the case of the English zemindar. Such an example as this represents the state of thousands of tenants in Kishnaghur. A peasant's profits were Rs. 2-8 of which he paid annas 5-4 as rent. The price of produce has doubled; he now gets Rs. 5, but pays only annas 10-8; but a peasant on the next estate, with the same profits, has been paying double this rent, or annas 10-8, and he will now be required to pay Rs. 1-4. This reduces the "proportion of produce" principle *ad absurdum*. Either the landlord in the former case, or the tenant in the latter, is treated unjustly. The moment we leave the market-rate we are in a sea of wrong. There may not be a market-rate based on considerable competition for land to the same extent as in England. But there is hardly a village in Bengal in which there are not idle tenants who, paying the philanthropic rent of Act X. to the landlord, sublet their land at a high figure. The market-rate in India is the highest rent which a landlord can obtain for his beegahs. If there is little competition as the "proportion of produce" advocates say, there is the less likelihood of the landlord's self-interest allowing him to drive his tenantry off the soil.—*Friend of India*, March 16.

CHITPORE SMALL-POX HOSPITAL.—The Right Honourable the Viceroy, on the recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, has granted to Dr. Goodeve Chuckerbutty a salary of Rs. 2,400 per annum as Superintendent of the Small-pox Hospital opened at Chitpore, for the reception of natives afflicted with that disease, with a subordinate staff of officers and servants to assist him in the duties of the hospital, amounting to Rs. 671 per mensem.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL F. CROSSMAN, heretofore commanding the Lahore Light Horse at Barrackpore, has been appointed by his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to the command of the 12th Regiment of Bengal Cavalry at Meerut, in succession to Major P. R. Hockin, who is absent on sick leave in England, but will not return to this country.

THE CALCUTTA RECLAMATION COMPANIES.

—At the present time there are three projects before the public in Eastern India which are engaging much attention, and being kindred undertakings we propose to group them together. These are the Port Canning Scheme, the Salt Water Lake Reclamation and Irrigation Company, and the project for reclaiming and cultivating the Sunderbunds. With regard to the Port Canning Land Investment Reclamation and Dock Company, the parent project of the three, its capital is Rs. 1,20,00,000, or £1,200,000 sterling, in 6,000 shares at Rs. 2,000 each. The Company, says the prospectus, is formed to secure valuable landed property near Port Canning, to build upon it, and then let or sell it, as may be most advisable. The property thus secured is equal to 134,590 acres, and the annual rental of that portion of the property at present leased out amounts to upwards of Rs. 1,30,000, subject, however, to immediate enhancement. The average cost of the above land is Rs. 32-8 per acre; 8,526 acres of it are in leasehold, and 126,064 acres are redeemable in freehold, at a cost of about Rs. 2,50,000. Another object of the company is to build docks and wharves along the entire foreshore of the new port, and to erect storehouses for the storage of goods. When the company's operations commence, or when any of the buildings, docks, or wharves are to be ready for public use, is not stated. The objects of the Salt Water Lake Reclamation and Irrigation Company are to reclaim and irrigate the plain partially submerged by the Salt Water Lake, within two and a-half miles of Calcutta, and the clearance of the surrounding jungle; and to utilise the sewage of Calcutta. The area available amounts to upwards of 250,000 beegahs, or about 130 square miles, of which 87,000 beegahs are the land of the Salt Water Lake and Tardah jungle. The first operations will be on the Lake lands, comprising 24 square miles, which will be brought into fertility forthwith. The clearance of the jungle will be commenced simultaneously with the drainage and irrigation of the Lake lands, and this will be done this year immediately after the rains. There is a population on the spot sufficient to lease the lands as drained. The capital is sixty lacs of rupees, and the number of shares is 3,000, at Rs. 2,000 each. The prospectus of the project for cultivating the Sunderbunds has not yet been published; but it appears that the alluvial tract in question extends about 150 miles from west to east, and about 50 miles from north to south. It is for the most part covered with jungle; yet there is perhaps not any patch of a thousand acres in extent which may not be described as "promising soil capable of producing every cereal fruit and spice peculiar to the tropics, and to the semi-tropical portion of the adjacent zones." The Sunderbunds were once in an excellent state of cultivation, and most of this vast tract is susceptible of cheap and rapid reclamation.

DEATH BY LIGHTNING.—Mr. Colliss, the indigo planter at Monghyr, was travelling on an elephant when he was overtaken by a violent thunderstorm. He held a large umbrella over himself, supporting the end of the handle on his palm; it was struck by lightning, which made its way through Mr. Colliss's hand, scorched the back of the mahout, and passing into the elephant killed it on the spot. Mr. Colliss and the native lay stunned for some time, and were eventually carried home. To Mr. Colliss the accident ended fatally. No danger was apprehended by his medical attendant, but mortification of the hand and arm eventually ensued, which rapidly terminated in death.—*Delhi Gazette*, March 11.

FRAUDULENT TELEGRAMS.—Charles Payne, a signaller in the Calcutta Telegraph Office, has been committed to the sessions for obtaining the sum of Rs. 700 from Messrs. Gregory and Co., by sending to them false telegrams which he concocted in the office.

CALCUTTA UNIVERSITY.—Mr. Premchund Roychund's gift of two lakhs of rupees to the University of Calcutta, announced on the 11th March by the Vice-Chancellor, is most opportune. The money was entrusted to the Hon. Mr. Anderson to be spent on some public object in Calcutta, and he has shown the discrimination which was to be expected of him in selecting the University. The fact that, in spite of many eloquent appeals, this is the first endowment offered to the University, is another of those commentaries on the selfish apathy of the Bengali millionaires which we have now come to accept as ineradicable. Yet, surely, men who count their Government papers in bundles of eighty lakhs, and spend more on a single marriage than the Jain speculator has given, will be stirred up by this example. The University has not even a mace for its senate, and all its arrangements are destitute of either dignity or pomp. The building promised by Government is as yet only spoken of. It will fall to the senate to decide on the object to which this endowment is to be devoted. Their own recommendation, that a chair of physical science should be established in the new building for all the neighbouring colleges, they will now be able to carry out. No mere official difficulties as to the supervision of the professor should prevent this. The syndicate can very well appoint him and inspect his work, without raising the question as to how the Government of India, which has no educational department, can do so.—*Friend of India*.

DACCA LUNATICS.—The *Dacca News* of the 18th of March is glad to notice that the poor inmates of the Dacca Lunatic Asylum, numbering about 230 patients, partook on Tuesday last of an abundant feast provided for them at the expense of the deeply regretted civil surgeon of Dacca, the late Dr. Simpson, according to directions contained in his will. Kindness towards these poor creatures was one of the amiable traits in Dr. Simpson's character, and before quitting this transitory existence he appears to have wished to enforce on his successors the necessity of adopting a similar course towards these patients. The food had been cooked by the lunatics themselves, and after Dr. Beatson had tasted it and pronounced it to be unexceptionally good, they were allowed to partake of it, which they did with the highest relish and gratification. Mr. Abercrombie, the executor in India to the doctor's will, Mr. Ballett, and others, were present, and on tasting the food thought it excellent. The feast, as it may be natural to suppose, had the effect of strongly recalling the kind-hearted liberality of the good doctor to their memory. Everything was well managed.

UNCONVENTED PENSION RULES.—The Home authorities have decided that, in verbose official language, "an Unconvented Servant appointed prior to the promulgation of the new Pension Rules on the 8th June, 1863, may, if those rules render it necessary for him, in order to obtain a pension, to serve for a longer period than was required by the old rules, be allowed, in the event of ill health rendering it necessary for him to retire from the service, to complete the period of service required by the old Rules, provided that he shall not at any time have availed himself of the benefits conferred by the new Leave Rules." The question was raised by an appeal from Mr. J. G. Ferraud of the Madras Military Department. The decision is simple justice.

FREE PASSAGE FOR EUROPEAN WORKMEN.—We see it mentioned in the *Indian Daily News* that a company is to be started for the purpose of enabling European workmen to secure a free passage home in case of sickness by the payment of a small monthly sum. The company is to be called "The Free Passage Assurance Company (Limited)." This, if well managed, will be a very great boon to a class which is too much neglected in India.

CALCUTTA WATER SUPPLY.—The *Engineers' Journal* describes Mr. Clark's scheme for supplying Calcutta with water, which is to be at once carried out at a cost of £600,000. The water is to be taken from the Hooghly, at Pultah, above Barrackpore, and 16½ miles from Calcutta. There is a depth of 60 feet there. "It will be drawn 100 feet from low water mark, and pumped up twice in the day during five hours at each period of low water. It will be conveyed by the river water aqueduct to the settling tanks, where it will remain quiescent for a period of 36 hours, after which it will be drawn off from the surface into the filter, from which it will be conveyed by a brick conduit (capable of conveying, by a constantly running stream, 9,000,000 gallons per 24 hours) laid along the side of the Barrackpore-road, 66,600 feet in length, and at an inclination of 1 in 5,500, to Tallah, on the Circular Canal, where the water will be received in a covered reservoir, with a capacity of eight million gallons. Here three fifty-horse power engines will be erected for the purpose of lifting the water to a sufficient height to distribute three millions of gallons in the northern division of the town during the day time, and three millions of gallons in the night into a covered reservoir to be constructed in Wellington-square. Adjacent to Wellington-square, engines will be erected to distribute water under a pressure of 100 feet, to the European and mercantile portion of the community and to the shipping." From Tallah the water will be conveyed into the town by pipes extending altogether for fifty-two miles. The cost of the water delivered in Calcutta will be about one rupee per 3,000 gallons.

THE EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT IN BENGAL suffered so much under the contempt of Sir J. P. Grant, that the best men were eager to leave it, and few could be attracted to their places. Appointments formerly held by trained Cambridge men were necessarily filled by natives, whose accent was bad, knowledge of idiom imperfect, and training partial. This evil has now been corrected by Mr. Beadon. We are far from sympathising with him in the belief that it will be a very long time before the State can, according to the provisions of the Despatch of 1854, hand over its monopolist colleges to non-official teachers. But since the teaching part of the educational department must be maintained for some time, and the inspecting part always, we rejoice that English gentlemen will no longer be frightened from it. The Indian Council has sanctioned a plan by which the higher appointments, which will generally be filled by University men, will be ranged in grades reaching from Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,500 a month. Where there is no want of merit, teachers, professors and inspectors will be advanced through each grade with an addition of Rs. 50 a month, each year, to their salaries.

OFFICIAL SALARIES.—News has come from home that will gladden the hearts of some men in these parts, being no less than that an order has been issued by the Secretary of State directing that the salaries attached to civil offices shall be equalized, or put on the same footing, in Bengal, the North-West Provinces, and the Punjab. In the Punjab this will principally affect the Deputy Commissioners, who are to receive at the rate of Rs. 17,000, Rs. 20,000, and Rs. 23,000 per annum, according to their relative standing in the service. Seventeen Deputy Commissioners of the 1st class, who at present receive Rs. 1,500 per mensem, will hereafter receive Rs. 1,916. Eight Deputies of the 2nd class, now Rs. 1,200, in future Rs. 1,666. Seven Deputies, 3rd class, now Rs. 1,000, to be increased to Rs. 1,416. No change is to be made in the pay of Commissioners, who will continue to draw Rs. 2,750 per month and travelling allowances, nor we believe will any alteration be made in the pay of Assistant Commissioners.

THE HOOGHLY COMMITTEE.—At the twelfth sitting of the Hooghly Committee, Mr. W. Grant, of Messrs. Grant, Smith, and Co., was examined. In the course of a lengthened examination he showed the advantages, over unhealthy wet docks and mere jetties, of a wharf wall, which would add to the width of the strand by reclaiming the foreshore, would be a sanitary improvement and an ornament to the city, and would provide more accommodation. Ships usually discharge from three hatchways at a wharf wall, which could not be done in the case of jetties. Mr. Bradford Leslie designed a combined project of a wharf wall and docks, the former extending from Chandpal Ghat to Armenian Ghat, and the latter occupying that space of ground between the railway jetty and the Burning Ghat, embracing a length of 1,600 yards by 160 yards in breadth, which would afford space for about 40 acres of docks besides a half-tide basin. The cost in either case would amount to £1,400,000, and the undertaking would be completed in two years. The trade of Calcutta has increased from 181,485 tons in 1833-4 and 410,310 in 1853-4 to 917,102 tons in 1863-64. Mr. Grant showed that Port Canning is necessary to relieve the trade, especially in the bulky articles of rice, seeds, and jute, which come from its vicinity, and last year amounted to 795,528 tons. Mr. Pendleton, agent of the Calcutta and South Eastern Railway (Mutlah), was examined at the thirteenth sitting. He would approve of any site selected by the East India line for its Calcutta terminus as best for his own. He thought there would be no pecuniary advantage in continuing the united railways to Dalhousie Square unless the projected suburban lines were constructed—from Dum-Dum on the Eastern Bengal Railway to Chitpore, and from Ballygunge on the Calcutta and South Eastern Railway to Kidderpore. Mr. Pendleton anticipated a large traffic from Mutlah, both of exports and imports. He said that off Port Canning there is deep water frontage for three miles. He thought that, taking equal lengths, the Mutlah would accommodate more ships than the Hooghly. There is room for at least 150, and possibly 200, ships in the Mutlah in three or four tiers, besides those which could anchor in the stream where there are no "bores."

THE INDO-EUROPEAN TELEGRAM.—The following is the reply of the Pasha of Bagdad to the message of the Viceroy, congratulating the Pasha on the completion of the telegraphic communication between London and Calcutta. (Telegram.) From Namick Pasha, Bagdad, to the Viceroy and Governor-General of India. "I have received your Excellency's telegram, to which I now do myself the pleasure to reply, begging you to be kind enough to accept my thanks for the flattering terms in which your Excellency has condescended to express yourself, and, at the same time, to permit me to congratulate your Excellency on the accomplishment of an undertaking as important as it is highly beneficial to the two Empires. And I ventured to express a hope that the efforts of his Imperial Majesty's Government to secure the utmost possible regularity in the telegraphic communication with India may always afford complete satisfaction to her Britannic Majesty's Government."

THE GRAND JURY OF CALCUTTA have made a presentment to the Court, in which they object to the abolition of that institution in the Presidency towns. "They view with regret the entire removal of one of the most honoured safeguards of British liberty, which has also provided one of the most legitimate and constitutional methods of bringing the wishes and opinions of the governed before the governors of the country."

THE 4TH SEIKH INFANTRY, under Major Boisragon, has arrived at Peshawur from Kohat to replace the 41st N. I., which has left for Allypurrh.

THE GRANT-IN-AID SYSTEM.—The Supreme Government have addressed to all its subordinate Governments a circular requesting them to consider the working of the Grant-in-aid system, and report thereon if alterations in it are required. This is done in order to meet the requests of Sir C. Wood that the Grant-in-aid rules, which date from July, 1854, should be revised if they were proved to have failed. By the deputation from the Church Missionary Society to the Indian Secretary in Nov. 1863, it was alleged that such failure was notorious, that the amount of aid granted to schools bore a very small proportion to the direct expenditure of Government on education, and, moreover, that great obstacles were thrown in the way of voluntary and independent educationists receiving grants for their schools. The circular from the Governor-General is chiefly important as enclosing a reply to these allegations, drawn up by Mr. Atkinson, the Principal of the Bengal Educational department. This is an exceedingly comprehensive document, and throws much light on the position of the Indian Government towards popular education. Mr. Ashley Eden, who, as secretary, forwards this document, gives his official opinion that it affords "a complete refutation of the statements of the Church Missionary Society," especially as regards the lower provinces of Bengal, and that it embodies "a masterly defence of the existing and recently amended grant-in-aid rules." In direct refutation of the missionary statement it is shown that the increase during the last four years of grant-in-aid expenditure has been eight times that in schools directly under Government. It is stated also, that while the attendance in missionary schools is only 16½ per cent. as compared with native schools the aid received by them stands at 24 per cent. as compared with native schools. The bias of Mr. Atkinson's report, as in favour of secular education pure and simple, as against State aid to missionary efforts, is supported by the Indian press generally.

THE CALCUTTA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE have addressed an appeal for more missionary agency in India to "ministers, students, and all such as desire to be engaged in the spread of Christian truth." The address, signed by 35 missionaries, states that there are about 525 European and American missionaries now labouring in India, aided by 140 ordained native missionaries, and 1,400 catechists. This gives one ordained native or European missionary to every 300,000 of the population. Imagine eight ministers labouring in London, assisted by 17 Scripture readers. The missionaries remove the bugbear of the climate by saying that the greater proportion of Europeans with regular and temperate habits may expect to live in India almost as free from disease as in England.

NEW BARRACKS.—According to the *Englishman*, the labours of the Sanitary Commissions in India and in England have, as regards the army, resulted in a well-matured scheme for building sufficient barracks on the most improved principles all over India. The money required for this immense reform will have to be borrowed. Also the works of irrigation are to be extended and improved. For these purposes, too, the Government of India proposes to raise loans. It is intended to open a loan in England for twenty-five to thirty millions sterling, to be taken at the rate of four or five millions a year, as may be required for these extensive public works planned for India.

THE INDIAN MINTS.—In January last the Calcutta mint coined Rs. 31,31,502; the Madras mint Rs. 6,76,000; and the Bombay mint Rs. 15,99,539.

THE CASH BALANCES of all India in Jan. last amounted to Rs. 12,51,61,419 against Rs. 14,61,59,791 and Rs. 19,74,67,152 in the same month in 1864 and 1863 respectively.

THE SOI-DISANT RAO SAHEB.—A Mahratta Brahmin was some time since chased from Hyderabad for being engaged in a conspiracy against the British Government, and was captured in the assigned districts. He gave himself out to be the notorious Rao Saheb, of the Peishwa's family. He is now to be sent to Cawnpore for trial. When captured, a batch of registered letters from several rebels and disaffected men was found in his possession.

LIBEL.—In the *Allahabad Observer*, a daily paper now extinct, an article lately appeared reflecting on the honesty of Mr. Elias, a contractor on the Jumna Bridge Works, and also on the officers of the Railway Company who give contracts. Mr. Stewart Reid, the Sessions Judge, awarded very heavy damages, with costs—Rs. 2,500—against Mr. Hamilton, who supplied the information libelling Mr. Elias, and Rs. 8,000 against both Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Honigberger, the proprietor of the paper, for libelling several officers high in the service of the Railway Company.

CALCUTTA POST OFFICE.—Orders have been issued to expedite the works of the new Telegraph, and the Post Office building, and the contractors, or rather the sub-contractors, have offered to complete them even before the time previously agreed upon, so that the building may, in all probability, be fitted up for use in December next, and the Telegraph and the Post Offices will probably be removed to their new quarters by the commencement of the year 1866.

MIRZAPORE.—A large mill is about to be established in Mirzapore on the joint-stock principle, for the manufacture of cotton goods and gunny.

THE PUNJAB CLUB.—All the shares in this club have been taken up. The institution was to open on the 1st April (unfortunately All Fools' Day) with a grand dinner.

COLONEL J. L. WALKER, lately appointed to the command of the 38th N.I. Barrack-pore, died suddenly on Saturday, the 11th of March, when on a visit to Calcutta.

ASSISTANT SURGEONS after a service of six years are to be permitted to retire on the half pay of a captain, if disqualified for further service.

THE DEATH OF MR. JUSTICE LEVINGE at Penang, on the 2nd March, is reported. Mr. Levinge, a barrister judge of the Bengal High Court, had not been three years in India.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 9. Allum Ghier, Comey, Bombay; Etienne and Lawrence, —11. Pride of the Ganges, Jack, —; Virginie, Prihn, Adelaide.—12. Devonshire, Holk, Swan River.—13. Gladstone, Bowls, Liverpool.—14. Lion, Cooper, Liverpool; Oriental, Pike, Quebec; Orissa, Ballantine, Akayab; Harold, Rattie, Liverpool; Anglo-Indian, Rochfort, Newcastle.—15. Reiver, Bolton, Hong Kong.—17. Nida, Coburn, Colombo; Ruchter, Camrou, Bombay; Silvia, Cate, Shanghai.—21. Idas, Wipe, Moulmein; Savoir Faire, Mickle, Akayab; Diamond, Johansang, Bombay.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Etienne and Lawrence.—Dr. L. A. Kidd and asst.
Per Devonshire.—Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Dawson.
Per Virginie.—Mr. Urilla, Mr. and Mrs. Goslin.
Per Lion.—Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Fenno.
Per Orissa.—W. J. Curtains, Esq., Mrs. Curtains, B. Woodfendere, Esq., J. C. Cargell, Esq., T. Wilcox, Esq., J. W. Gimnol, Esq.
Per Anglo-Indian.—Mrs. Rochfort.
Per Reiver.—J. Middleton, Esq., May Schimidton, Esq.
Per Silvia.—A. Johnson, Esq., F. F. Walls, Mr. Fleming, Dr. Cameron.
Per Idas.—Mrs. Perry.
Per str. Nubin.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Berkley and two infants, Mrs. Patterson, J. Field, W. Drohart, G. Kennedy, Dr. Shervier, Miss Wallace, Miss Williams, Mr. T. Bayley, J. Harper, J. Chalmers, Capt. Leven, Mr. Bartlett, Mr. D. Munroe, Rev. Mr. McFarlane, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Woodward, Mrs. Kendall and infant, Surg. Mills, Miss Pritchly, From MARSHFIELD.—Mr. Cowan, Mr. Darley, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford, Mr. and Mrs. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Graham, Mr. Somerville, Capt. Whitehead, Maj. Brownlow, Mr. McIntosh. From SUVA.—Mlle. C. Wetz, Mlle. S. Vicria. From BOMBAY.—Mr. Bristow. From GALLE.—Mr. and Mrs. Craster. From MADRAS.—Mr. Grigor, Mr. Schiller, Mr. Branson, Lieut. Doeg, Col. Fyers.

DEPARTURES.

(Ports not mentioned.)

March 9. Stra. Corriga, Rhima, and Arracan, City of Nankin, Wide Awake, Malabar.—12. Kazarbany, Hypatia, Mr. Candia, Cosmopolite, Victor a Nyanza, Mary Croker, Flower of the Forest, Bowfell.—13. Alfred, Rummanny, Crusader, France, Elizabeth Nicholson, Aurora, Chribel.—14. Macdonn, Milton, R. val Albert, Punjab.—15. Clydesdale, Hammermith, Shah Jehan.—17. str. Penang and Burmah, Western Empire.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Agra.—The Rev. S. Endel. Messrs. Marsh, O'Hara, Hoseason, Forbes, Jervis, Reeves, Elliot, Overbury, Mitchell, Goodrich.

Per str. Penang.—For Gopaulpore.—Mr. C. A. Amslie, Mrs. G. S. Saks.—For Bimlipatam.—Mr. Peter Hall. For Madras.—Lieut. Fletcher. For Cochin.—Mrs. Gon-salves.

Per str. Moollan.—For Madras.—Mr. W. Hunter, Capt. Moore, Maj. Burne, Mr. Bistowe, Sir Hugh Rose, Mr. Baynor, Col. and Mrs. Strachey and three children, Capt. Smyly. For Galle.—Dr. Clemenger, Lieut. Oliphant, Lieut. Young. For Suva.—Mr. Rieley, Mr. Morrison. For Mar-elles.—Mr. and Mrs. Blunt, Mr. Granville, Mrs. Ham, Mr. W. Johnston, Lieut. W. J. Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. Kilburn, Mr. J. W. Brookes, Capt. A. Blunt, Capt. Lindsay, Miss Napier, Mr. Piotrowski, Mr. Lee, Lieut. Ward, Maj. Wilkin, Mr. Leech, Mrs. Austrutha Thom-son and two children, Capt. Sewell, Mr. Fox, the Hon. H. S. Maine, Mr. and M. S. J. P. Thomas, Miss Plaskett and two infants, Maj. Rawlins, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Elliott, Col. and Mrs. Vesey, Mr. and Mrs. Willock and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lillie and family, Mr. and Mrs. Toulson, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Griffiths, the Rev. H. B. Burney, Mr. Linche, Mr. Moran, Mr. Williamson, Mr. Cumine. For Southampton. Mr. Bainbridge, Dr. McLean, Maj. and Mrs. Cleveland and infant, Mr. James, Mr. William King, Mr. F. Arnold, Mrs. G. arin, Mrs. Johnson and child, Mrs. Dowling and infant, Mrs. Brookes and two infants, Mrs. Terries and family, Mrs. Hannah and infant, Capt. W. M. Frazer.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, March 21, 1865.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price
4 per Cent. Sa.	Sa. Rs. 89	Rs. 88 12 to 89 0
Do. Transfer Stock.	Sa. Rs. 90	
4 per Cent. Co's Rs.	Co's Rs. 94 1/2	89 4 to 89 8
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co's Rs. 100	3 8 to 3 10 pm
5 1/2 per Cent. Co's Rs.	Co's Rs. 100	102 to 103 4
5 per cent., 65-57.	Co's Rs. 100	108 to 108 12

EXCHANGE.

	On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight	2 11 to 2 15 1/2
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight	2 13 1/2 to 2 14 1/2
Bills with Docs.	at 6 months' sight	2 14 to 2 14 1/2
Bank Post Bills	at 1 months' sight	2 0 to 2 0 1/2

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paid-up.	Quoted at
	Rs. each.	Rs.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	1400 to 1410
Alliance Tea Company	85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	200	510 to 520
Balaun Tea Company	100	135 to 140
Bank of Bengal	1000	1975 to 1987 1/2
Ditto Interest bearing	4000	7900 to 8200
Beerboom Coal Company	1000	840 to 860
Ditto	200	Nom. to 175
Bengal Coal Company	1000	1100
Bengal Printing Company	100	15 to 10 dis.
Bengal River Company	1000	675 to 700
Ditto	500	337 to 340
Bengal Tea Company	100	170 to 175
Ditto new paid-up	100	183
Bengal Oil Company	250	par Nominal
Bengal Credit Mobilier (Lim.)	100	100 to 110
Bishnauth Tea Company	200	235 to 240
Ditto, contributory	10	3 to 4 pm.
Bonded Warehouse Association	445	650 to 660
Borokai Tea Company (Limited)	25	par
British India Tea	80	par
Brunton's Press Company (Limited)	50	5 to 10 pm.
Burdwan Stone Com any	100	75 to 80
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	185
Ditto (Contributory)	115	15 to 16 dis.
Cachar Tea Company	600	725 to 730
Ditto	450	50 to 55 pm.
Calcutta Docking Company	700	1350 to 1366
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	575 to 590
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	52	53
Central Assam Tea Company	100	101
Central Cachar Tea Company	200	275 to 280
Ditto, new shares	200	260 to 262
Chatlawhar Tea Company	25	5 to 10 dis.
Commercial Transport Association	100	par
Dehra Doon Tea Company	100	90 to 92
Delhi Bank Corporation	500	710
Dooh Terla Tea Company	100	96 to 97
Dooterial Tea Company (Limited)	100	96 to 97
Durrung Tea Company	45	5 dis.
E. B. Indigo Company	100	75 to 80
East India Coal Company	100	30 to 33
East India Railway Company	218	216
East India Tea Company	100	116 to 118
Ditto contributory	80	12 to 13 pm.
Eastern Regal Tea Company	50	55 to 56
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	125 to 130
Ditto contributory	85	20 to 22 pm.
Eastern Regal Railway Company	218	216
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000	1325
Eastman and Company	250	220 to 225
Equitable Coal Company	250	215 Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	500	Nominal
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	250
Gola Ghaut Tea Company	250	308
Ditto new shares	250	272 to 275
Goosery Cotton Mills	60	8 to 10 dis.
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	309

Hooghly Steam Tug Company	1000	1210 to 1235
Hooghly Lighter Association	80	10 to 15 dis.
Hope Town Tea Association	100	105
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	105
Howrah Docking Company	500	515
Hunter and Company	250	200 to 220
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	655
Jorehaut Tea Company	200	745 to 750
Kunchunpore Tea Company	10 0	250
Ditto, contributory	125	20 to 25 pm.
Kurseong and Darjeeling Tea Co.	250	245 to 248
Ditto, contributory	125	3 to 5 dis.
Landing Shipping	100	20 to 25 dis.
Leibong and Minchou Tea Company	65	par to 5 pm.
Locty Cotton Screw Company	25	par
Lower Assam Tea Company	35	par
Luckimpore Tea Company	155	50 to 55 pm.
Moucherra Tea Company	60	par
Moran Tea Company (Limited)	70	13 to 14 pm.
Muttuck Tea Company	50	par
Mutual Tea Company	100	122
Ditto, contributory	70	16 to 18 pm.
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	272 1/2
New Fort Gloster Company	600	1400 to 1450
North-West Indigo Company	100	70 to 75
North-West Screwing Company	50	par
Oriental Gas Company	21	13 to 15
Peoples Bank of India	100	75 to 80
Port Canning Land Company	1000	3750 to 4000
Punjab Bank	100	120 to 122
Punjab Trading	75	10 pm.
Punjab Tea Company	100	100 dull
Ditto	37	par Nominal
Ramghur Tea Company	100	par
Ditto	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	143
R. Scott Thomson and Company	500	500
Screwing Company (Limited)	200	185
Sea Salt Company	100	par to 10 pm.
Seebaugor Tea Company	100	82
Simla Bank	500	650 to 655
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Soom Tea Company	60	13 to 15 pm.
Soorispoite Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1510
Ditto	750	450 to 480 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100	78 to 80
Ditto	250	230
Spence's Hotel Company	621	9 to 10 pm.
Strand Pressing Company (Limited)	200	150 to 165
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	200	200 to 202
Tirho Indigo	200	200 to 205
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	200 to 205
Ditto, contributory	70	par
Union Steam Tug Company	250	220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	110	180 to 182
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to 240
Ditto, contributory	190	14 to 16 dis.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
Saltpetre	£1 10 0 to 0 0 0	1 0 0 1 5 0
Sugar	Nominal.	Nominal.
Rice	do.	do.
Sreda	2 17 6 to 3 0 0	2 10 0 0 0 0
Jute	2 17 6 to 3 5 0	3 0 0 0 0 0
Cotton	3 5 0 3 10 0	3 15 0 4 0 0

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

PISCICULTURE.—An attempt is being made to introduce European fish into the waters of the Neigherry Hills. A medical gentleman in the Madras Presidency has, for some time past, been interesting himself in a scheme for introducing European fish into the waters on the Neigherry Hills, and, in a letter to the Madras Government, he now states that he believes the scheme perfectly practicable. In reply, the Governor in Council has requested that, in order to test the success of the experiment, the necessary arrangements might be made for the safe conveyance of trout and char ova from England.

BREACH OF DISCIPLINE.—We regret to learn that Captain Wood, R.E., is about to be removed from Bangalore, owing to a breach of discipline in connection with the respect which is due to the orders of the officer commanding the Mysore Division. Capt. Wood, we are told, was desired by General Spenser to attend a committee with a view to calculate the "cubic contents of a certain building at Bangalore;" but he refused to do so. It is well for him that he subsequently apologised to the Major-General for such conduct; notwithstanding, however, it has led, we understand, to an arrangement for his early transfer to another station.—*Carnatic Telegraph.*

DEATH OF DR. RATTON.—The *Central India Times* announces the death of Dr. Ratton, of the 3rd Madras Light Cavalry, which took place at Karinja Dak bungalow from cholera. The deceased officer was on his way from Kamptee to Bombay, whence he intended proceeding home on medical certificate.

AN ADVENTURE.—We had a little excitement here (Secunderabad) the other morning. The 10th regiment was out for instruction in picquet duties to the ground in front of the Rev. Mr. English's house. The sentries were just posted, when we heard two shots fired behind Mr. English's house, and were told by some natives that there was a big tiger there. The regiment was broken up. We got guns, and on going back to Mr. English's house found that a large panther had taken up his quarters inside the house. Mr. English, his wife, and four children were obliged to lock themselves up in a room. By this time a lot of the K. D. G.'s officers came up armed with carbines and breechloaders. Several holes were made in the roof of the house in different parts, and at last the brute was seen under a small table. On overturning the table with a long pole, out he bolted, smash through a window. Several of the K. D. G.'s fired at him, but, probably, in their excitement, none of them hit him. He then bolted into the house again, into the drawing-room. A sepoy of the 32nd walked into the room with a spear, and was at once attacked, the brute tearing a large piece out of his arm. The man, however, succeeded at last in turning it out, when it charged out and caught an unfortunate native, knocking him down, and holding him over the edge of a small artificial tank. Colonel Macdougall then fired at him, and hit the brute behind the shoulder, which made it drop the man and charge Lieutenant Hatfield, of the K. D. G.'s, who gave it both barrels in the head, and rolled it over. As it was sprawling about in its agony, he walked up to it with his rifle clubbed, and as this was very dangerous, Colonel Macdougall took one more shot, and finished the animal. The brute has wounded the following:—Major Alexander, of the K. D. G.'s, also a ghorawallah of Major A.'s, who has since died; a private of the K. D. G.'s, one sepoy of the 32nd regiment, and the camp follower over whom the brute was when Colonel Macdougall fired. This man has his stomach and belly ripped open. The animal has been very bold, and has done a deal of damage in the cantonment, and everyone is thankful that it has at last been killed.—*Bangalore Herald*, March 22.

A NARROW ESCAPE.—Information has reached us that two gentlemen, Messrs. Thompson and Linton, whilst out elephant shooting last week in the neighbourhood of Cholady, South-East Wynaad, came upon a "rogue," (elephant) when Mr. Thompson fired and wounded him in the head. The brute now turned and charged, seizing Mr. Linton by his belt. This fortunately gave way, but not before Mr. Linton was elevated considerably in the air, from which position he fell with great force. The elephant next tried to crush Mr. Linton with his feet, in which attempt he seems to have been frustrated by the blood from the wound running over his eyes and blinding him, so that Mr. Linton had an opportunity of making his escape, a very providential one.—*Neigherry Excelsior.*

CHOLERA IN THE 4TH M.N.I.—Owing to the family system a Madras regiment on the march is like a town emptying itself of inhabitants. Cholera frequently seizes the crowded camp and makes great havoc. The *Madras Athenæum* mentions that the 4th M.N.I., on the march to Secunderabad, has thus lost a large number of sepoy and camp followers, and also the Quarter-Master, Lieutenant Young.

THE MADRAS HUNT, which seems to flourish as vigorously as that other admirable institution, the club, has resolved to give a dinner on the 21st March to Sir Hope Grant, Major General McCleverty, Mr. Clake, and Captain Macleod, members who intend to leave Madras permanently. After a month's tour in British Burmah, inspecting the troops, Sir Hope Grant returned to Madras on the 5th.

PORT PHAYRE.—Mr. O'Riley, deputy commissioner of Bassein, has discovered a new port between Sandoway and the Bassein dis-

trict, which he has dubbed Port Phayre, after the chief commissioner of British Burmah. It is at the mouth of a fine broad navigable stream, with a clear entrance for vessels of considerable size. The village is at present called Kyeintalee, and is two days distant by boat, or across the Arracan hills from Bassein. The people are described as industrious; tobacco, indigo, sugar-cane, turmeric, ginger, and cotton are produced in abundance. Each family has a patch of cotton for its own use. The whole coast at the head of the Bay of Bengal was once the scene of a flourishing trade, which seems likely soon to be restored to it, if we may judge from the progress of Chittagong and Arracan.

MAJOR DIXON, one of the Madras officers now serving in Mysore, has been called upon by the home Government for an explanation of his conduct in neglecting to provide for the support of his children in England.—*Hurkaru*, March 17.

MADRAS UNIVERSITY.—Eleven out of twenty-nine candidates obtained the degree of Bachelor of Arts at the last examination of the Madras University. One was in the first class.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MR. MERWANJEE FRAMJEE PANDAY, broker to Messrs. Campbell, Mitchell and Co., has contributed one lac of rupees, with the object of providing house accommodation at reasonable rents for Zoroastrians residing in Bombay. This donation was made at the performance of the third day's funeral ceremonies, consequent upon the death of Mr. Merwanjee's mother. Trustees have been nominated to take charge of the above sum, with instructions to purchase extensive lots of land in Girgaum, Grant-road, or the Bellasis and Falkland-roads, to build chawls and houses thereon, and to resell the land in small portions, or the houses separately, at cost price, to Parsees only. The trustees are to purchase and re-sell lands and houses according to their discretion, until the whole fund of a lac of rupees shall have been expended. At the performance of the ceremony in question, the relatives of the deceased lady contributed an aggregate sum of Rs. 81,475 for various charitable and religious purposes.

FIRE AT EGUTPOORA.—A fire broke out on Sunday evening in a large shed erected by the G. I. P. Railway Company at Egutpoora, in which a large quantity of stores were deposited. The origin of the fire is unknown, and no alarm was given by the ramoosee in charge of the building. A number of Europeans and natives were soon on the spot after the fire was discovered, and used every exertion to subdue the flames, which they managed to get under in five or six hours. The building was a large one, and had cost the company about 17,000 rupees. There was a number of carriages in the building at the time of the accident, and about ninety of them were saved. By great exertions about an eighth of the whole building was isolated from the remaining portion, and so escaped the conflagration, but the portion consumed with its contents will cause a loss to the company, it is said, of about two and a half lacs. More of the building would certainly have been saved but for the great want of water, only a very small supply being at hand. The ramoosee who was in charge of the building, and who says he can give no account of the origin of the fire, has been taken into custody.—*Times of India*, March 28.

H. BIRDWOOD, Esq., Secretary to Government, is to be appointed Acting Senior Magistrate.

MR. JOHN O'LEARY, Barrister-at-Law, has been appointed Reporter to the High Court on its Original Jurisdiction side.

COTTON FRAUDS ACT.—In the Bombay Chamber of Commerce, at a recent meeting, the results of the Cotton Frauds Act were discussed. The general estimate of the merchants seems to be that no circumstantial evidence is a match for the ingenuity of cotton dealers: the terms of the Act when compared with the subtle devices adopted to controvert it cause the English lawyers who drew it up to appear but as children in the ways of the wicked world of Western India. It is, however, admitted that gross imposition, such as packing bales with stones and clods, has been checked by the few penal convictions obtained. It is probable that a falling market and a natural desire to sell will prove far more efficacious in checking fraud and even in improving the staple than any legal device that can be invented. Cotton is being sent down in large quantities from the Mofussil, and the stock at Bombay is rapidly accumulating. It is much too soon to form any reliable estimate as to the breadth of ground likely to be sown with cotton for next year; and news of American prospects as anxiously looked for in order to the guidance of cultivators and merchants.

JACOBABAD, March 10.—The 1st Sind Horse, Jacob's Rifles, and the Mountain Train Battery returned from Sukkur on the 3rd leaving His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief at Shikarpore on account of the rain which fell the previous night having made the roads very dirty. The following morning Sir William Mansfield arrived in the station, and was received and escorted in by a squadron of the Sind Horse. H.E. went to Colonel Green's residence, where he was a guest during his stay here. On Monday, the 6th, the Sind Horse were paraded before him, and the following day there was a grand review of the entire field force in cantonments. The Commander-in-Chief was highly pleased with their soldier-like appearance, the perfection of their equipment, and the rapidity and precision of their movements, and expressed his satisfaction accordingly. Wednesday evening he attended the ball-practice of the Rifles, which also satisfied him very much. Sir William took his departure from among us at noon yesterday, on a visit to the new frontier outposts, the 3rd Regiment Sind Horse preceding him at 3 A.M. The Political Superintendent and Major Malcolm Green accompany His Excellency. They go through Kusmore, and then to Mitree, where His Excellency will take the steamer for Mooltan.—*Sindian*.

PUBLIC CONVEYANCES.—Bad as Calcutta is, Bombay is still more scandalously deficient in proper and cheap public conveyances. The enterprising American firm, Messrs. Stearns and Hobart, who have run a steamer from Bombay to Suez to compete with the P. and O. Company, have resolved to introduce street tramways for horse carriages. The Municipal Commissioners have agreed to allow them to lay down the first line of rails from the ordinary landing place at Apollo Pier to Byculla, four miles off, where the clubs and hotels are. In October next they hope to run, every five minutes, carriages now being built in America at one anna for an outside and four annas for an inside passenger. Prices are now so high in Bombay above the tariff rates, that the hack carriages refuse to be hired unless at so exorbitant a rate as six rupees a day.

MR. CHISHOLM ANSTEY revels in "scenes," and few days would seem to pass in which the tedium of the Bombay High Court is not relieved by one. Mr. Justice Arnould lately called on a case in which the G. I. P. Railway Company were the defendants. Mr. Crawford, their attorney, stated he had been unable to engage counsel, which the plaintiff's attorney had also failed to do, and asked to be heard because the bar refuse to take any briefs, unless when two or more counsel are employed. Mr. Anstey replied,—"I say it with all respect, but the only persons to blame are the

Judges of this Court. Your lordships, against the wishes of the bar, have thought fit to require our appearance daily at three divisions of this court, sitting simultaneously in exercise of one and the same original jurisdiction. Unless there are more than one counsel on either side in each case it must be impossible for us to obey that requisition." On this the Judge said:—"Let us not indulge in the luxury of personal feeling, but let us look into the law of the case." But he was finally forced to decide that, till the attorneys made a formal application to the Court through counsel, they could only "appear and act" but not "plead."

HIS HIGHNESS THE GUICOWAR, though already possessing several wives, was married at Baroda on Monday, the 6th March, to another. It was but the other day that a star-crossed daughter of one of the Deccan Sirdars travelled all the way from Poona to Baroda for the purpose of being married to his Highness, and was received with pomp and ceremony at the latter place. The day for the nuptials was appointed; costly preparations were made to give *eclat* to the occasion; but at the very last hour, acting under the advice of one of the Court astrologers, his Highness expressed his determination not to marry the lady, because it was prognosticated that the union would be an unlucky one.

DEATH OF THE REV. MR. CHAPIN.—The *Bombay Guardian* announces with great regret the death of the Rev. Mr. Chapin, at Ahmednuggur, of diphtheria. Mr. Chapin was the youngest member of the American Mission in this Presidency, having arrived in May last. He had made extraordinary progress in the acquisition of the language, and gave the highest promise of usefulness.

THE HON. RUSTOMJEE JAMSETJEE JEJEEBHROY, with his characteristic generosity, has resolved to distribute the aggregate amount of the premiums on one hundred shares of the United Victoria and Colaba Reclamation Company (about four lacs of rupees), which have been allotted to him, for the relief and assistance of poor Zoroastrians in Bombay and other places.

THE BOMBAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, in a full meeting, has passed a series of resolutions repudiating certain imputations cast upon the character of the merchants here by the agent for Lloyds. In a letter to the committee of underwriters in London, the agent had asserted that it was a frequent practice, amongst the surveyors of piece-goods at Bombay, to report as "sea-damaged" goods only injured by mildew, the owners thereupon claiming the amount of loss from Lloyds.

SHIPWRECKS.—The ship *Glensamox*, 1,004 tons, from Liverpool to Bombay, coal laden, ran ashore on the S.W. Prong, Bombay harbour, on the night of the 12th March, and is expected to become a total wreck. The ship *Lord Brougham*, 1,078 tons, Coleman, master, was wrecked off the Laccadive Islands, on the night of the 7th, owing to disarrangement of her chronometers.

PARSEE ENLIGHTENMENT.—By the last overland mail steamer Mr. Dalabhoj D. Camajee proceeded to England with his wife. This is the third instance of a Parsee gentleman going to England with his family. The first instance was that of Dr. Burjorjee Dorabjee, who has made a permanent residence in London with his family for the past few years; and the second was that of Mr. Manockjee Cursetjee, Judge of the Small Causes Court. We hear that two more Parsee families will leave for London in a short time.

TAMPERING WITH THE TELEGRAPH.—Four Hindoo merchants, indicted at the Bombay Criminal Sessions on a charge of bribing some young telegraph clerks to purloin messages for them, have been found guilty and each sentenced to six months' imprisonment, and to be fined five thousand rupees.

A FRACAS.—At a display of fireworks in Bombay a few evenings ago a fracas unfortunately took place between the Chief Commissioner of Police and some native gentlemen. A misunderstanding had arisen about some seats, and in the darkness, failing to recognise each other, high words ensued, and one native gentleman highly connected was arrested by the police, but subsequently released. The aggrieved gentlemen have entered an action against Mr. Souter, Commissioner of Police, for unwarrantable arrest.

THE LIBERALITY OF THE JAMSETJEE FAMILY seems to flow with a deep and continuous current. The School of Arts founded by the late Baronet, and which it is expected will soon be developed in a very efficient practical form, has just received the following additional endowments:—From the Dowager Lady Jamsetjee, Rs. 150,000; from her daughter, Rs. 15,000; and from the Hon. Mr. Rustumjee, Rs. 55,000,—in all two lakhs and twenty thousand rupees.

THE MUNICIPAL BILL.—Since the last mail the new Municipal Bill for the Island of Bombay has been finally passed. General satisfaction is expressed as to its provisions, but it is doubted whether the Chief Commissioner to be appointed under the Bill will have available the magisterial power requisite to give proper effect to his decisions.

NORMAN W. OLIVER, Esq., Chief Magistrate of Police at Bombay, died on the 25th February. He had intended to leave for Europe by this mail, having been seriously ill for several weeks. His funeral was attended by his Excellency the Governor, and several officers and gentlemen.

PLETHORA OF TELEGRAMS.—The necessity of another telegraphic line between Bombay and Kurrachee, in order that the Indo-European line may be made more available, is daily becoming more apparent. One day recently so many European messages were awaiting transmission that Colonel Douglas refused to receive any more telegrams of any description.

THE BANK OF BOMBAY has established a Branch Bank at Ajmere, under the management of Mr. Alexander Don.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 13. Ophelia, Strickland, London.—14. Edmond Wall, from Rouliet, Mauritius; Thomas Dry, Thomson, London; Hydaspes, Minto, Rangoon; H.M.'s str. Rapid, Jago, Zanzibar; str. Salsette, Renouillon, Suez.—16. Templar, Nichols, New York; Glen Isle, Cowin, Calcutta.—18. str. General Haylock, Kingcome, Cochin.—20. str. Cashmere, Baxter, Calcutta; Baron Macaulay, Cunningham, Liverpool; Ina, Wittroz, Rangoon; Starlet, Fagan, Kirk, Calcutta; Prince Fred. William, Dunn, Calcutta; Utina, Tavish, Aden; Empress of India, Harrison, Calcutta; Ellora, Coulter, Boston.—21. Princess Royal, Anderson, Mullheim; str. Behar, White, Hong Kong; str. Bhima Boniflow, Calcutta; Anne, Hugon, Calcutta; Madura, Brown, Calcutta; J. J. Dussanier, Burgolte, Bordeaux.—23. C. of Yarorough, Pumassey, Rouliet.—24. Caroline, Bourhis, Singapore.—25. Pontiac, Davis, Cardiff.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Cashmere.—Mr. Prett, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Aspinwall, Mr. G. Hewett.
Per Ellora.—Mr. J. Ronell, Mr. C. W. Smith.
Per P. and O. S. N. Co.'s str. Salsette.—Mrs. Heather and infant, Mrs. Cleary, Messrs. Mathew Mann, R. Brown, T. Lauder, A. Taylor, Mrs. Dyson, Messrs. Higgins and son, J. M. Elliot, Col. Lucy, Mr. A. Philpot, Miss Ferguson, Mrs. J. E. Chablers, Mr. F. H. Chown, Cornet du Verne, Mr. H. S. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. K. Neale, Capt. Wallace, Messrs. A. Saff, C. Carter, Capt. Fitzmaurice, Messrs. A. Brown, A. Mitchell, Crawford and child, J. A. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Drynan, Mrs. R. Pinhey, Messrs. Brooke, Beale, Capt. and Mrs. Stevenson, Mr. J. R. Grimes, Capt. J. H. Castell, Messrs. E. Bigg, R. J. Leach, J. C. Hope, Lieut.-col. Anderson, Maj. Osborn, Messrs. Lind, Jameson, Specknell, Maxemoff, Hugh Barry, Stevenson, Holmes, Grant, Badie, Stoddart, Fleming, Dickson, and Pomter.

DEPARTURES.

March 14. str. Baroda, Haselwood, Aden and Suez; Millwall, Smith, Liverpool.—16. Goshawk, Robinson, Liverpool.—17. Henry Fernie, Page, Liverpool.—18. Dunbar Castle, Hodder, London.—20. Brierley Hill, Crip, Colombo; Ellen Stewart, Lyons, Liverpool; Avablow, Sheppard, Colombo.—21. Dipha, Foreman, Liverpool.—22. Bombay Merchant, Baroda, Aden; Gosforth, Wight, London; Burman, Walker, Liverpool; Nova Nugur, De Costa, Mauritius.—25. City of Duncum, Phillips, Liverpool; Emeu, Nacada, Judda.—27. Paphue, Miles, London via Kurrachee; Bertram Rugby,

Gillies, Liverpool; Indian Merchant, Arthur, Calcutta; Sarawak, Mollitt, Liverpool; Oriental, Sanderson, Liverpool.—29. P. and O. str. Rangoon, Grainger, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Rangoon.—For Suez.—Messrs. Lean, Watson, Robinson, Maxwell, De Graves, Taylor, and Ransome. For ALEXANDRIA.—Messrs. Simon, Touche, Hope, Jerdein, Downie, Signor and Signora Corti. For VASSELLES.—Mr. Westropp, Capt. J. C. Balmuin, Mrs. Birch and three children, J. Macfarlane, Lieut. A. B. Murray, Mr. T. Bradley, Mr. E. H. Monckton, Lieut. Tyndall, Mr. Creyke, Mr. Parker, Surg.-maj. McLeod, Lieut. E. C. Pritchard, Mr. and Mrs. Repton. For MALTA.—Mrs. A. B. Warden. For GIBRALTAR.—Don E. del Arco, Don J. Canas, Mr. and Mrs. Da Costa and four children. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Lieut.-col. and Mrs. Kinloch and three children, Mrs. Iodwick, Mr. W. A. Branton, Mr. J. Woolly, Lieut.-col. and Mrs. Coombe and four children, Mrs. Bagnell and four children, Dr. and Mrs. Morton, Mr. and Mrs. Plowden, Mr. and Mrs. Browning and four children, Mr. Norris, Mrs. Saunders and infant, Mrs. Mant, Mr. Cliffe, Mrs. Lindley, Mr. Lord, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Culman, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Belford, Capt. Burnaby, Maj. Pigeon, Capt. Muller, Lieut. Young, J. D. Shorman and child, Messrs. J. Harden, J. Smith, S. Leadbury, T. McEvoy, and T. Love.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, March 28, 1865.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks—at	
6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s. 7d.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 7d. Cred. Bills.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 7d. Docts.	
On Calcutta, at sight, per 100	101½
Do ditto at 30 days' ditto	100½
Do ditto at 60 days' ditto	98½
On Madras, at 30 days' ditto	100
On Calcutta, at 60 days' ditto	Rs. 220 per 100 dols.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES

Agra Bank (Rs. 500)	170 pr. cent pm
Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000)	123 do.
Bank of India (Rs. 25)	36 pm.
Banker's Banking Co. (Rs. 20)	12 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 250)	25 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200)	110 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500)	60 do.
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200)	100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 20)	83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 250)	160 do. inc. n.sh.
Oriental Bank Corporation (Rs. 250)	170 pm.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25)	28 do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000)	135 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000)	par
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 2,700)	Rs. 6,000 p.sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667)	Rs. 14,500 p.sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co.—	
(A) share (Rs. 6,000)	3600
(B) share (Rs. 6,000)	Rs. 1,35,000pm
Frere Press Co. (Rs. 250)	
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	25 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,200)	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Great Indian Peninsula Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 214.8.0)	10 dis.
Do ditto, New £20 Shares (Rs. 87.4.4)	Rs. 9 dis.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Co. (Rs. 1,000)	par.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 600 prem.
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company (Rs. 1,100)	Rs. 100 prem.
Manockjee Pithy's Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 850)	Rs. 25 prem.
House and Land Investment Co. (Rs. 200)	Rs. 400
Bombay Shipping Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 3,000
Iron Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 700 dis.
Oriental Ship Owning Association (Rs. 250)	Rs. 25 pm.
Prince of Wales Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 300 dis.
Western India Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 250
Hydraulic Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 3,200 p.sh.
Corla Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 500 prem.
Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 500 prem.
Colaba Land Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 90 0/9 p.sh.
Rond-d Warehouse Co. (Rs. 400)	Rs. par
Back Bay Reclamation Co., Rs. 5,000 paid-up	35,500 pm.
Oriental Weaving and Spinning Company (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 150 prem.
Royal Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 100 prem.
Victoria Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 1,000 prem.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Four per Cent. Suez Rs. Trans. Loan	Rs. 93
" " Suez Rs. Loan 1832-33	" 95
" " Co's Rs. Loan 1835-36	" 91½
" " " " 1842-43	" 91½
" " " " 1854-55	" 103
Five per Cent. Co's Rs. Loan	" 103
Five-and-a-Half per Cent.	" 109

PRICE OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns	each, Rs. 10.6
Bank of England Notes	" 10
Spanish Dollars	" 210
Caroline Dollars	" 290
Mexican Dollars	" 235
Five Franc Pieces, Rs. 232 tolas	" 208
German Crowns	" 214½
Bar Silver, 17 and 17½ dwt. better, per 100 tolas	" 106-10
Silver	" 105
Gold Leaf 99½ touch	" 16-12
Gold Bars, English	" 16-10
Do ditto, Pekin	" 16-8

FREIGHTS.

To London—Cotton, 22. 5s. to 23. 7s. 6d.; Seeds, 22.
To Liverpool—Cotton, 21. 10s. to 22. 15s. 6d.; Seeds, 21. 0s. 6d. to 21. 6s. 6d.



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Home Department, Fort William, March 6.—No. 2,176.—Capt. W. H. Edgecome, R.E., is appd. to offic. as supt. of the Pegu Topographical Survey.

No. 2,211.—Re-attached to the Bengal div. of the presy. of Fort William, Mr. J. M. Lewis, of the C.S., who returned from furl. on the 2nd inst.

March 8.—No. 2,212.—Mr. J. D. Ward, of the C.S., is permitted to proceed to Eur. on furl. for 3 years, from date of embarkation.

No. 2,214.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to grant Major gen. the Hon. Sir R. Napier, K.C.B., an ordinary member of the Council of the Gov. gen. of India, leave of abs. on m.c. for a period of 4 mo.

March 10.—No. 2,215.—The Right Hon. the Sec. of State having appd. Mr. G. N. Taylor, of the Madras C.S., to be a provisional member of the Council of the Gov. gen. of India, and a vacancy having occurred in the said Council by the departure, on leave, of Major gen. the Hon. Sir R. Napier, K.C.B., to Eur., Mr. Taylor has accordingly this day taken the oaths and his seat as an ordinary member of the Council of the Gov. gen. of India, under the usual salute from the ramparts of Fort William.

No. 2,216.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to re-attach to the N.W.P., the Punjab, and Oude, Mr. W. B. Jones, of the C.S., who returned from furl. on the 2nd inst.

No. 2,219.—Rev. T. A. C. Firminger, of the Bengal Ecclesiastical Establishment, has been granted by the Right Hon. the Secy. of State an ext. of leave on m.c. for 6 mo.

No. 2,220.—Maj. T. H. Chamberlain, city mag., Lucknow, has obtained 24 days' leave from the 11th inst., or from such date as he may avail himself of it, prepy. to applying for sick leave to Eur.

No. 2,226.—Dr. Aeneas McLeod Ross, asst. surg., Madras establish., is app. to med. charge of Chanda, in the Central Provinces.

No. 2,231.—Asst. surg. J. Law, of the Madras med. service, is app. civil asst. surg. of Saugor.

No. 2,237.—Maj. E. M. Rayn, dep. comr., 3rd grade, assumed charge of the Rangoon town magistracy from Mr. G. Hough, on the afternoon of Feb. 8.

No. 2,240.—Capt. A. R. McMahon received charge of the magistracy's office at Akvab on the afternoon of Jan. 19, and again, on Jan. 28, delivered over charge of the same to Maj. E. J. Spilsbury.

No. 2,241.—Mr. W. R. Brooke, asst. superint. of telegraphs, doing duty in the Bombay Circle, is app. to offic. in charge of the Bengal Circle.

No. 2,243.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the undermentioned junior civil servants, transf. from the N.W.P. for service in Oude, with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class:—

Mr. C. W. McMinn, offic. 3rd class asst. comr., Lucknow.

Mr. J. C. Williams, offic. 3rd class asst. comr., Roy Bareilly.

Mr. J. Woodburn, offic. 3rd class asst. comr., Seetapore.

Mr. J. T. Crawford, offic. 3rd class asst. comr., Fyzabad.

Mr. C. Steinbelt, offic. 3rd class asst. comr., Durrabad.

No. 2,245.—Capt. W. N. Lees, L.D., resumed charge from Capt. E. St. George of the office of sec. to the board of examiners on 8th inst.

No. 2,253.—Mr. W. J. R. Carnac, C.S., is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl., for 1 year.

No. 2,254.—Mr. F. Wright, asst. superint. of police, Hyderabad Assigned Districts, to offic. as district superint. of police, from Dec. 16, v. Capt. H. C. Menzies.

No. 2,255.—Lieut. col. J. T. Walker, R.E., supt. of the Great Trigonometrical Survey of India, resumed charge of his appt. on Jan. 30.

Lieut. col. D. G. Robinson, R.E., offic. superint. of the Great Trigonometrical Survey of India, was permitted to retain charge of the current duties of the office in Calcutta from Jan. 30 to Feb. 28.

March 8.—No. 207.—Dr. J. P. Stratton, pol.

asst. of Bundelcund, is app. to be pol. agent of Bundelcund, with effect from June 1.

March 6.—No. 517.—Mr. St. George Tucker, comsr. of the Khyrabad div., in Oude, has priv. leave for 2 mo. from April 24, or from subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

No. 519.—Lieut. col. R. C. Lawrence, C.B., received charge of the Nipal Residency from Capt. C. C. Taylor, on the afternoon of Feb. 18.

March 8.—No. 82.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the undermen. officer with powers:—Capt. G. Warner, dep. comr. of Nimar, in the Nimar dist.

No. 112.—Maj. H. F. Waddington, dep. comr. and settlement officer of Mundla, in the Central Provinces, to act as settlement officer of Mundla only, making over charge of the dep. comr.'s office to Capt. J. J. Fulton, as a temp. arrangement.

Capt. J. J. Fulton, asst. comr. of Mundla, to offic. as dep. comr. of Mundla, as a temp. arrangement.

March 6.—No. 196.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to permit Capt. W. Bannerman to res. the appt. of comr. for laying down the boundary between the Central India agency and the Rewah Kanta States, conferred upon him by notification No. 73, dated Jan. 24.

Capt. Bannerman's services are replaced at the disposal of the military dept.

March 8.—No. 536.—Lieut. K. J. L. Mackenzie, asst. comr., East Berar, Hyderabad assigned dists., has obtained permission to remain at Bangalore until Feb. 20, 1865.

No. 538.—Mr. A. Shakespear, agent to the Gov. gen. at Benares, resumed charge of his office from Mr. G. P. Money on Feb. 28.

No. 541.—Capt. R. C. Stewart, 8th Madras L.C., is app. to offic. at mil. asst. to the comsr. of Mysore, during the absence on leave of Maj. E. B. Ramsay.

Maj. Ramsay made over charge of his office to Capt. Stewart on Feb. 4.

No. 542.—Maj. B. Reid received charge of the office of dep. com. of Darjeeling from Mr. H. Beverley on the afternoon of Feb. 18.

No. 543.—Mr. J. T. Crawford, C.S., is app. to offic. as an asst. comr. in Oude, during the absence on leave of Lieut. F. Currie.

March 9.—No. 1,304.—Mr. J. L. Lushington received charge of the office of deputy auditor and accountant gen., Bombay, from Mr. S. D. Birch, on Feb. 28.

March 4.—No. 77.—Lieut. F. P. Spragge, R.E., is re-appd. to the public works dept. as an asst. engr., 2nd grade, and posted to the Punjab.

March 7.—No. 79.—Lieut. col. C. H. Dickens, R.A., chief engr. and sec. to chief comsr., Central Provs., made over charge of his office on the forenoon of the 17th ult. to Mr. A. G. Crommelin, asst. to chief engr. and asst. sec. to the chief comsr.

No. 80.—The services of Lieut. G. D'A. Jackson, prob. asst. engr., British Burmah, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

March 10.—No. 82.—Lieut. G. C. B. Simmons, R.E., is app. to the pub. works dept. as an asst. engr. of the 2nd grade, and is posted to British Burmah.

No. 83.—Lieut. G. H. L. Pole, R.E., app. to the pub. works dept. as an asst. engr., 2nd grade, in Notification No. 56 of Feb. 21, is posted to the Nuggur div., Mysore.

No. 84.—Notification No. 207 of 1864, transfg. dep. asst. comy. A. Bremner, sub-engr., 2nd grade, from Bengal to the Central Provinces, is cancelled.

No. 85.—Mr. E. Durrant is re-app. to the pub. works dept. as a supervisor, 1st grade, and posted to the Rajpootana Circle.

No. 86.—Mr. J. L. Parker, exec. engr., 1st grade, Futerghur branch, Ganges Canal, is app. to offic. as a supt. engr. of the 2nd class, in the irrigation dept., North-Western Provinces.

March 6.—No. 228.—The undermntd. officer, having completed 12 years' service, 4 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt. from the date specified opposite his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Lieut. G. N. Money, March 4.

No. 229.—The undermntd. officer of the R.E., who has been placed under orders for duty in the Bengal Presidency, reported his arrival on the date specified below:—

Lieut. M. S. Bell, date of arrival at Fort William, Feb. 19, 1865.

No. 232.—Surg. maj. A. H. Cheke, civil surg. of Benares, to be a dep. insp. gen. of hospitals, with tempy. rank, during the abs. on m.c. of Dep. Insp.

gen. of Hospitals R. B. Kinsey, or until further orders.

No. 233.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proc. to Eur. on furl.:—

Capt. J. B. Saunders, of the late 4th Eur. L.C., brig. maj., Allahabad, for 3 yrs., under the old regs.

March 7.—No. 235.—With reference to the notification from the foreign dept., No. 507, dated 3rd inst., that part of G.G.O. No. 184 of the 20th ult., placing the serv. of Asst. surg. G. N. Cheke, in med. charge of the Nepal residency, at the disp. of the C. in C., is hereby cancelled.

No. 236.—The undermen. officer to proc. to Eur. on leave on m.c.:—

Asst. surg. J. Pichall, of the med. dept., for 18 mo., under new regs.

No. 244.—The foll. order, issued by the Govt. of Bombay, is confirmed:—

Feb. 24.—No. 112.—Granting leave of absence to Eur. on m.c. to Capt. J. C. Wood, of the Bengal staff corps, for 20 mo.

No. 245.—The underment. officers have reported their return to England:—

Maj. R. M. S. Annesley, and S. B. Cookson, of the Bengal staff corps; Capt. R. B. Mackenzie, of the late 12th regt. N.I.; and Lieut. P. C. Dalma-hoy, of the late 60th regt. N.I.; dist. supt. of police, Oorala dist., date of arrival at Fort William, March 8.

Surg. maj. A. H. Cheke, of the med. dept., civil surg., Benares; Surg. E. Taylor, of the med. dept.; and Asst. surg. T. Duka, M.D., of the med. dept., civil, Monghyr; date of arrival at Fort William, March 3.

March 10.—No. 246.—With reference to G.O. No. 79, of Jan. 18, 1859, the return to duty of Captain J. P. Cambridge, of the late 2nd N.I., announced in G.O. No. 518, of April 15, 1859, is to be held to have effect from Jan. 8, 1859, the date of his arrival at Kurrachee.

No. 247.—The services of Lieut. G. D'A. Jackson, of the gen. list, cav., prob. asst. engr., British Burmah, D.P.W., are placed at disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

No. 248.—The undermen. officers of R.E., who have been placed under orders for duty in the Bengal Pres., reported their arrival on the dates specified below:—Lieuts. F. Firebrace, and T. B. B. Savi; date of arrival at Fort William, March 3.

STAFF CORPS.

No. 249.—The undermen. officers are admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. P. L. N. Cavagnari, of the late 1st Eur. Bengal fusiliers, asst. comr., Dera Ishmael Khan; date of arrival at Fort William, July 10, 1861.

Lieut. G. C. Gregory, of the late 58th N.I. adjt., 3rd Goorkha regt.; date of arrival at Fort William, Nov. 6, 1861.

Lieut. F. W. Grant, of the late 22nd N.I., asst. comr., Berar; date of arrival at Fort William, April 12, 1862.

Lieut. G. B. Johnston, of the late 54th regt. N.I., dist. superint. of police, Malda; date of arrival at Fort William, April 22, 1862.

Lieut. J. M. Sym, of the late 58th regt. N.I., qrmr. and offic. adj. 5th Goorkha regt., date of arrival at Fort William, Dec. 23, 1862.

Ensign G. T. Maitland, of H.M.'s 42nd foot, asst. eng., Benares div., D.P.W., date of arrival at Fort William, March 1, 1864.

INSTRUCTORS OF GUNNERY.

No. 250.—Under the authority of H.M.'s Govt., H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to notify that an officer instructor of gunnery and two sergs. as asst. instructors, who may be certified to have qualified themselves at the School of Gunnery at Shoeburyness, will be allowed for each brigade of R.A. serving in India, and that the officers and non-comsmd. officers who may be so app. will receive the same staff allowances as those now drawn by the instructors and serg. instructors of musketry in regts of British inf., the non-comsmd. officers being borne on the staff of the brigade instead of on the strength of batteries.

No. 251.—The services of 2nd Capt. W. H. Burton, of the R.E., are placed at the disposal of the public works dept.

March 11.—No. 2,452.—Capt. F. Fitzroy, R.A., supt. of the Pegu Survey, has 1 mo. leave to enable him to visit Preay, m.c., prep. to applying for leave of abs. to Europe.

Capt. Fitzroy's services are placed at the disposal of the mil. dept., from the date on which he may give over charge of his office.

No. 2,454.—The Gov. gen. in Council has been pleased to grant to Mr. T. H. Cowie, Advocate gen., leave of absence, on m.c., for 9 mo.

March 15.—No. 2,457.—The Gov. gen. in Council has been pleased to make the foll. appts.:—

Mr. J. Graham, standing counsel to the Govt. of India, to offic. as advocate gen.

Mr. H. A. Eglinton, to offic. as standing counsel to the Govt. of India, v. Mr. Graham.

March 16.—No. 2,458.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to re-attach to the Bengal div. of the Pres. of Fort William, Mr. H. A. R. Alexander, of the C.S., who returned from furl. on the 14th inst.

No. 2,459.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Mr. M. S. Champneys, of the C.S., reported qualified for the public service, to the N.W.P., the Punjab, and Oude, and to place his services at the disposal of the foreign dept.

No. 2,460.—Messrs. J. W. Neill, R. F. Rampini, and G. Smeaton, junior civil servants, having, within the prescribed interval after arrival in India, passed examinations in two languages, have each been presented with the authorised donation of Rs. 800.

No. 2,461.—Rev. E. J. Tandy, chaplain of Fyzabad, is app. chaplain of Lucknow cantonment, in succession to Rev. H. B. Burney.

No. 2,462.—Rev. W. Ayerst, chaplain of Roy Bareilly, is app. chaplain of Fyzabad.

No. 2,463.—Rev. J. B. Patch, chaplain of Tounghoo, is app. chaplain of Roy Bareilly, in succ. to Rev. W. Ayerst.

No. 2,464.—Rev. A. O. Hardy, M.A., appointed a junior chaplain on the Bengal establishment, reported his arrival 3rd inst.

The Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop has app. Rev. A. O. Hardy to be his lordship's domestic chaplain.

No. 2,466.—The services of Rev. T. C. Matthews, chaplain of Thyet Myoo, are placed at disposal of the Government of the Punjab, with effect from date of quitting his station.

No. 2,466a.—The services of Rev. W. G. Cowie, junior chaplain on the Bengal establishment, are placed at disposal of Government of Punjab.

March 17.—No. 2,470.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest Mr. C. Grant, offic. dep. comr. of Jubbulpore, with the powers described in Section 1 of Act XV. of 1862.

No. 2,472.—Lieut. col. D. C. Vanrenen, revenue surveyor, 2nd div., Oude, has 1 mo. priv. leave of absence, from the date on which he may avail himself of the same.

Lieut. A. D. Butter, asst. revenue surveyor, 1st div., Oude, is app. to take charge of the 2nd div., Oude revenue surveyor, during the absence on leave of Lieut. col. D. C. Vanrenen.

No. 2,474.—Mr. E. Little, sub asst. revenue surveyor, 3rd class, 1st div., Central Provinces, has 2 mo. priv. leave of absence, from Jan. 1.

No. 2,476.—Mr. N. Garstin, asst. district superint., assumed charge of the office of district superint. of police, Hurdul, on 24th ult.

No. 2,478.—Mr. N. Cumberlege, asst. superint. of police, Berar, reported his arrival at Akola on Feb. 3, and assumed charge of his appt. on the same date.

No. 2,482.—Mr. C. A. R. Browning, B.A., offic. director of public instruction, Central Provinces, has leave for 4 weeks, prep. to his applying for furl. to Europe, on m.c.

No. 2,484.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to grant to the Rev. H. B. Burney, chaplain of Lucknow canton., leave for six mo., with effect from 13th inst.

No. 2,489.—Mr. R. C. A. Hamilton, dist. superint. of police in Oude, has obt'd. 6 mo. priv. leave to Eur., from the 15th prox., under para. 12 of the new unconv. serv. absentee rules.

March 16.—No. 115.—Appointments:—Col. H. Daly, C.B., comdt. of the Central India horse, to offic. as polit. asst. for Western Malwa at Augur, in addition to his other duties.

Capt. C. Martin, 2nd in comd. of the 2nd corps Central India horse at Goona, to offic., in addition to his other duties, as polit. asst. at Goona, in succession to Colonel Daly.

Capt. C. James, 2nd squadron officer, 2nd regt., to offic., on return from Eur., as 2nd in comd. 1st corps Central India horse, during Lieut. Bradford's absence.

Capt. F. P. Luard, offic. 2nd squad. officer, 1st corps Cent. India Horse, to offic. as 2nd in command of the corps, pending the arrival of Capt. James.

No. 120.—Lieut. E. R. C. Bradford, commanding 1st regt. Cent. India Horse, is granted 1 mo. leave of absence from March 2, or from the date of his

departure to Augur, prepy. to applying for furl. to Bur. on m.c.

March 11.—No. 221.—Political.—The services of Capt. E. P. Gurdon, supt. of Myhere, in Cent. India, are re-transf. to the Punjab Govt. from the 23rd inst.

March 13.—No. 224.—Major G. B. Malleson is app. to offic. as agent, Gov. gen., with the King of Oude, and supt. of pol. pensions, in the room of Lieut. col. C. Herbert, who has proceeded to England on special duty.

Maj. Malleson received charge of the above offices from Lieut. col. Herbert on the forenoon of March 7.

No. 567.—The following junior civil servants, who have been app. to Oude, reported their arrival at Lucknow on the date specified opposite their names:—

Messrs. C. W. McMin and J. C. Williams, Feb. 13; J. Woodburn, Feb. 15; J. T. Crawford, Feb. 17; and C. Steinbelt, Feb. 25.

No. 568.—Mr. E. Bickers, extra asst. comr. of Lucknow, has priv. leave of absence for 1 mo., from the 8th inst.

No. 570.—Asst. surg. M. W. Mott, M.D., in med. charge of the Bhurtore agency, has obtained priv. leave of absence for 3 mo., from April 15 next, or from such date as he may avail himself of it.

No. 572.—Surg. maj. J. Kirkpatrick, M.D., surg. to the Mysore commission, has been granted priv. leave for 30 days, from date of departure from Bangalore.

No. 577.—Capt. S. S. Boulderson, asst. settlement officer, Lucknow, has priv. leave for 3 mo., from May 1 next.

No. 580.—Maj. T. M. McHutchin, dep. superint., Mysore dist., has priv. leave of absence for 2 mo., from 18th inst.

No. 582.—Mr. W. H. Kerr, superint. of Coorg, has obtained special leave of absence for 6 mo. beyond the limits of India on urgent private affairs, together with the usual prep. leave to the port of embarkation.

March 16.—No. 602.—Mr. H. W. Beddy, offic. dep. comr., 3rd grade, Sandoway, British Burmah, res. charge of the treasury at Sandoway from Teekay Moungh Htoon, on Jan. 14.

Capt. A. R. McMahon, offic. dep. comr., 4th grade, British Burmah, res. charge of the dist. and treasury at Ramree from Maj. E. M. Ryan, on Jan. 31.

No. 604.—Lieut. J. Low, asst. comr. of Oonao, has leave for 24 days, from April 15 next, or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it, prepy. to Eur. on m.c.

No. 606.—Lieuts. D. W. Loughton and A. G. W. Hemans, of the Hyderabad contingent, are appd. asst. comrs. of the 3rd class in the Berars. The appts. to have effect from Dec. 29 last.

No. 608.—Lieut. W. Hill, 3rd class dep. superint. of the Chittledroog dist., in Mysore, rejoined his duty from m.c. to Eur. on Feb. 1.

No. 609.—Mr. E. Richardson, extra asst. comr., 1st grade, British Burmah, assumed charge of the office of extra asst. comr., 1st grade, at Promé, on Feb. 2.

No. 611.—Mr. W. Oldham, officg. dep. comr. of Fyzabad in Oude, availed himself, on Feb. 16, of the prep. leave granted to him in G.O. No. 722, dated July 20 last, making over charge of his office to Mr. T. H. Kavanagh, v.c., asst. comr.

Mr. Kavanagh offic. as dep. comr. from the afternoon of Feb. 25.

Mr. E. B. Thornhill assumed charge of the office of officg. dep. comr. of Fyzabad from Mr. Kavanagh on the afternoon of the 25th idem.

No. 612.—The Gov. General in Council is pleased to app. Mr. F. O. Mayne, c.b., to be comr. of the Baiswarra div. in Oude, v. Mr. C. Currie.

No. 615.—General.—Lieut. F. W. Grant, asst. comr., 2nd class, in the Hyderabad assigned districts, assumed charge of his office on Feb. 17.

No. 616.—Capt. E. R. Twyford, dist. supt. of police, Central Provinces, is app. to offic. as dep. comr. of Baitool as a tempy. arrangement, with effect from date on which he took over charge from Capt. G. Warner.

No. 619.—Capt. H. Fraser, 2nd asst. to the resident at Hyderabad, has obtained the usual prep. leave, from 21st ult., to Bombay for the purpose of applying for leave to Eur.

Lieut. W. Tweedie, adj., 1st Cav. Hyderabad Contingent, is app. to offic. for Capt. Fraser during that officer's absence.

No. 630.—Mr. W. H. Kerr, supt. of Coorg, made over charge of his office and treasury to Mr. Asst. Supt. C. Soobiah on the 17th ult.

Lieut. R. A. Cole, supt. of police, Bangalore cantonment, is app. to offic. as supt. of Coorg during Mr. Kerr's absence.

Lieut. W. Hill, dep. supt. of the Chittledroog dist., is app. to offic. as supt. of police, Bangalore cantonment.

No. 632.—Mr. J. C. Colvin, offic. dep. comr. of Seetapore, in Oude, has 25 days' prep. leave from April 13.

No. 634.—Capt. J. Loch, asst. comr. of Nagpore, has priv. leave for 3 mo. from 20th inst., or from the date on which he may avail himself of it.

No. 636.—The services of asst. surg. D. Kearney, in civil med. charge of Shoaygyen, in British Burmah, are replaced at the disposal of the Madras Govt.

No. 639.—Mr. J. M. C. Steinbelt, C.S., lately transf. to the Oudh commission, is app. an asst. comr. of the 3rd grade, on the permanent establishment, vice Mr. H. Gibson, promoted.

March 15.—No. 1,514.—Mr. H. D. Sandeman, to be dep. auditor and acct. gen., Bengal.

March 13.—No. 87.—Lieut. C. H. Luard, R.E., asst. sec. to the Govt. of India, in the public works dept., is appd. to act as dep. consulting engr., railway dept., Bengal, v. Capt. R. de Bourbel, R.E., temp. att. to Bhootan field force.

March 15.—No. 88.—Mr. H. Rigg, asst. engr., 2nd grade, Mysore, has been granted 1 mo. priv. leave.

No. 89.—Maj. J. F. Tennant, R.E., exec. engr., Arracan div., British Burmah, was granted 1 mo. priv. leave, with effect from Jan. 27.

No. 90.—Lieut. L. Conway-Gordon, R.E., asst. engr., 2nd grade, is transf. from the Punjab to the N.W. Provs., for employment as asst. princ. in the Thomason college.

No. 92.—Mr. F. Martin, C.E., princ. civil engrg. coll., Calcutta, is appd. to the public works dept., Bengal, as an exec. engr. of the 2nd grade, with effect from Nov. 25, 1864. He assumed charge of the Lower Assam div. on Jan. 28, 1865.

Lieut. G. S. Hills, R.E., asst. principal, civil engrg. college, Calcutta, is temp. app. to the public works dept., Bengal, as an exec. engr. of the 4th grade, with effect from Nov. 8. He assumed charge of the Shilong div. on Dec. 18.

No. 93.—Mr. W. W. Culcheth, asst. engr., 1st grade, and Mr. J. Sheldon, asst. engr., 2nd grade, N.W.P., passed the exam. in Hindoostance on Jan. 26.

No. 94.—Lieut. col. W. Maxwell, R.A., assumed charge of the office of chief engr. and secy. to the chief comr., Central Provs., public works dept., on the forenoon of March 6.

No. 99.—Mr. R. C. McKennie, asst. engr., 2nd grade, is transf. from the Bangalore to the Nuggur div. of the public works; and Mr. H. Rigg, asst. engr., 2nd grade, from the latter to the former div.

March 11.—No. 252.—Major J. N. Young, dep. judge adv. gen., Lahore div., is app. to officiate as dep. judge adv. gen. at army hd. qrs. during absence on m.c. of Lieut. col. Maisey.

No. 253.—Asst. surg. J. C. Dickinson, medical dept., is permitted to resign the service, subject to her Majesty's approval.

March 13.—No. 254.—The services of Capt. W. Bannerman, 3rd Bombay N.I., are replaced at disposal of Government of Bombay.

No. 255.—Capt. A. Blunt, Bengal staff corps, has furlough to Europe for 2 years.

PROMOTIONS CANCELLED.

No. 258.—The promotion of the undermentioned officers (retired, deceased, &c.), published in G.G.O. No. 892 of Nov. 11, 1864, is hereby cancelled, under instructions from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State:—

Late 59th N.I.—Major G. W. Stokes (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be lieut. col., from Feb. 18, 1861.

Late 51st N.I.—Major W. Lamb (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 23rd N.I.—Major E. F. Smith (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 11th N.I.—Maj. W. Lydiard (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 29th N.I.—Major G. W. William, c.b. (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 4th E.L.C.—Major T. F. B. Beatson (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 46th N.I.—Major H. S. Grimes (ret. Feb. 28, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 42nd N.I.—Major D. Gausson (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Staff Corps.—Major C. R. Browne (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 3rd E.R.—Major H. M. Nation (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Staff Corps.—Major W. C. Erskine, c.b. (ret. Sept. 25, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 31st N.I.—Maj. W. B. Legard (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 60th N.I.—Maj. J. E. Verner (ret. March 22, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 31st N.I.—Maj. G. Newbolt (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 74th N.I.—Maj. J. T. Daniell (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 32nd N.I.—Maj. T. S. Horsbrugh (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 9th N.I.—Maj. R. Thatcher (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 33rd N.I.—Maj. A. Martin (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 42nd N.I.—Maj. A. H. Ross (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 48th N.I.—Maj. C. Hasell (ret. May 24, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 30th N.I.—Maj. J. Morrisson (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 4th E.L.C.—Maj. E. Harvey (ret. Sept. 21, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 48th N.I.—Maj. H. L. Bird (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 17th N.I.—Maj. T. G. St. George (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 3rd E.R.—Maj. J. C. Phillips (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 69th N.I.—Maj. E. Sissmore (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 13th N.I.—Maj. W. McCulloch (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 15th N.I.—Maj. J. W. Carnegie, c.b. (removed from the army June 5, 1862), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 25th N.I.—Maj. C. J. Richards (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 9th N.I.—Maj. R. H. Sale (ret. March 17, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 66th N.I.—Maj. W. S. Shirwell (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 21st N.I.—Maj. J. Chambers (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 70th N.I.—Maj. G. N. Greene (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 49th N.I.—Maj. H. J. Piercy (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 25th N.I.—Maj. H. J. C. Shakespear (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 30th N.I.—Maj. C. F. Fenwick (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 57th N.I.—Maj. C. S. Salmon (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 11th N.I.—Capt. S. J. Becher (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 43rd N.I.—Capt. R. A. Trotter (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 60th N.I.—Capt. D. Stansbury (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 66th N.I.—Maj. H. Strachey (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be lieut. col., from June 12, 1861.

Late 67th N.I.—Maj. E. W. Hicks (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 39th N.I.—Maj. T. Pownall (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from June 13, 1861.

Late 33rd N.I.—Maj. T. Watson (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from Dec. 12, 1861.

Late 5th E.R.—Maj. A. B. Fenwick (dec. Nov. 25, 1863), to be ditto, from Jan. 10, 1863.

Late 74th N.I.—Maj. W. F. N. Wallace (ret. Dec. 30, 1863), to be ditto, from Dec. 11, 1863.

Late 55th N.I.—Capt. T. M. Cameron (ret. April 27, 1861), to be maj., from Feb. 18, 1863.

Late 66th N.I.—Capt. H. Strachey (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 74th N.I.—Capt. W. F. N. Wallace (ret. Dec. 30, 1863), to be ditto, from ditto.

Staff Corps.—Capt. W. Wyld (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 39th N.I.—Capt. R. H. D. Tulloh (ret. Sept. 30, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 67th N.I.—Capt. E. W. Hicks (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 33rd N.I.—Capt. T. Watson (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 72nd N.I.—Capt. G. E. Ford (ret. Dec. 22, 1862), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 5th E.R.—Capt. A. B. Fenwick (dec. Nov. 25, 1863), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 18th N.I.—Capt. F. C. Tombs (ret. Dec. 31, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 33rd N.I.—Capt. T. Tulloh (ret. Aug. 15, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 33rd N.I.—Capt. T. H. Shum (ret. Feb. 19, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

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Late 32nd N.I.—Capt. E. Close (ret. Sept. 12, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.
Late 53rd N.I.—Capt. the Baron F. A. Von Meyern (ret. Sept. 10, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 65th N.I.—Capt. T. Gordon (ret. July 1, 1863), to be ditto, from ditto.
Late 29th N.I.—Capt. L. P. Faddy (ret. Sept. 9, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 3rd E.R.—Capt. R. C. Stevenson (ret. Feb. 28, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.
Staff Corps.—Capt. B. Henderson, c.b. (dec. Aug. 28, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 51st N.I.—Capt. W. R. Wallace (ret. Feb. 29, 1864), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 67th N.I.—Capt. W. C. Clifton (ret., Oct. 10, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 29th N.I.—Capt. H. M. Davidson (dec., Sept. 25, 1863), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 22nd N.I.—Capt. J. W. Smith (dec., July 19, 1862), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 19th N.I.—Capt. L. R. Newhouse (dec., July 13, 1862), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 19th N.I.—Capt. J. MacDougall (ret., April 1, 1864), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 64th N.I.—Capt. R. M. Nott (ret., Jan. 14, 1864), to be ditto, from March 8, 1861.

Late 35th N.I.—Capt. E. R. Wiggins (ret. Sept. 27, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 40th N.I.—Capt. J. S. D. White (dec., Sept. 25, 1861), to be ditto, from June 11, 1861.

Staff Corps.—Capt. M. R. Somerville (dec., Sept. 3, 1862), to be ditto, from June 12, 1861.

Late 29th N.I.—Capt. F. G. Thellusson (res., July 25, 1862), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 52nd N.I.—Capt. F. M. Martin (ret., Oct. 10, 1862), to be ditto, from Jan. 8, 1862.

Late 29th N.I.—Lieut. F. R. Thompson (dec., Aug. 12, 1862), to be ditto, from June 11, 1862.

Late 11th N.I.—Lieut. F. A. Sage (ret., March 31, 1864), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 35th N.I.—Lieut. R. Maxwell (ret. May 31, 1864), to be ditto, from June 12, 1862.

Late 73rd N.I.—Lieut. S. Rogers (dec. Feb. 27, 1864), to be ditto, from June 19, 1862.

Late 51st N.I.—Capt. E. R. Blavi (dec. Dec. 9, 1863), to be ditto, from July 10, 1862.

Late 42nd N.I.—Capt. E. V. H. Holt (ret. Nov. 18, 1862), to be ditto, from July 25, 1862.

Late 47th N.I.—Capt. C. P. Lucas (ret. March 23, 1863), to be ditto, from Dec. 10, 1862.

Late 35th N.I.—Capt. H. T. Pollock (dec. April 29, 1863), to be ditto, from Dec. 28, 1862.

Late 37th N.I.—Lieut. O. M. Glubb (dec. July 27, 1861), to be capt., from Feb. 18, 1861.

Late 2nd E.B.F.—Lieut. C. R. Blair (inv. April 2, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 10th N.I.—Lieut. E. L. Clogstoun (ret. Feb. 19, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 70th N.I.—Lieut. W. M. Grierson (dec. April 21, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 2nd E.B.F.—Lieut. the Hon. F. B. Best (ret. Aug. 10, 1863), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 69th N.I.—Lieut. C. G. Thorp (res. Oct. 15, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 58th N.I.—Lieut. C. L. Richardson (dec. May 4, 1861), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 36th N.I.—Lieut. W. W. Clarke (dec. Oct. 13, 1863), to be ditto, from ditto.

Late 68th N.I.—Lieut. H. H. Christian (ret. May 26, 1862), to be ditto, from June 27, 1861.

Late 47th N.I.—Lieut. T. W. Evans (dec. July 25, 1863), to be ditto, from Feb. 16, 1862.

Late 24th N.I.—Lieut. G. H. E. Howard (dec. March 9, 1863), to be ditto, from Dec. 10, 1862.

March 15.—No. 263.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 165 of March 2, 1863, the name of the underment. officer, who retired from the service under the Annuity Scheme of 1861, is removed from the list of regt. lieut. colonels of Bengal cav. :—

Lieut. col. (major gen., retired list) R. A. Master, c.b., dec.

No. 265.—Lieut. col. E. J. Simpson, of the Bengal Inf., offic. dep. coms. gen., Central Circle, Lucknow, is allowed leave of abs. from April 10 to 24, to visit the Presy., prep. to applying for leave of abs. on m.c. to Eur., under the new regs.

No. 266.—The underment. officers are permitted to proceed to Europe on leave, m.c. :—

Capt. R. M. Sewell, of the Bengal staff corps, dist. supt. of police, Punjab, for 20 mo.

Lieut. W. H. Collins, of the royal engrs., 2nd asst. in the Great Trigonometrical Survey in India, for 20 mo., under the new regs.

No. 268.—Col. R. Strachey, royal engrs., secretary to Govt. of India in public works dept., has furlough to Europe, under provisions of para. 39 of G.G.O. No. 332 of 1864.

LIEUT. GEN. SIR WM. R. MANSFIELD.

No. 269.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to publish, for general information, the following military letter from the Rt. Hon. the Secretary of State for India, No. 31, dated 10th ult. :—

India-office, London, Feb. 10, 1865.

To H.E. the Rt. Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

Sir,—Her Majesty has been pleased to approve of the following appointments :—

Lieut. gen. Sir Wm. R. Mansfield, K.C.B., commanding the troops in the Bombay Presidency, to be commander in chief of the forces in the East Indies, with the local rank of general, in succession to Gen. Sir Hugh Rose, G.C.B., whose term of service is about to expire.

Major gen. Sir Robert Napier, K.C.B., to be placed on the staff of the army in the East Indies as a lieutenant general (local rank), with a view to his being appointed to the command of the troops in the Bombay Presidency, in succession to Gen. Sir Wm. Mansfield.—I have, &c., (Sd.) C. Wood.

No. 270.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the foll. appt. :—

Col. H. F. Dunsford, c.b., of the Bengal inf., comdnt. of the 28th (Punjab) regt. N.I., to the brig. staff of the army temp., with the rank of brig. gen., during the period Brig. Gen. Tombs may be employed with the Doar field force.

March 16.—No. 271.—With reference to the notifications issued by the Govt. of Bengal, dated 4th and 6th inst., the services of the underment. officers are placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C. :—

Lieut. J. Johnstone, of the late 68th N.I., asst. supt. of police, Durrung (on leave to Europe).

Asst. surg. J. Pichall, M.D., offic. civil surg. of Bhaugulpore.

No. 273.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe, on leave, on m.c. :—

Capt. the Hon. W. M. Fraser, Bengal staff corps, district supt. of police, N.W.P., for 20 mo.

No. 275.—The undermentioned officers are permitted to proceed to Europe, on leave, on m.c.

Major J. S. Rawlins, Bengal staff corps, 2nd in com. and wing officer 1st Goorkha regt., for 20 mo.

Lieut. C. Key, gen. list, inf., for 20 mo., under new regs.

No. 277.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe, on furl. :—

Asst. surg. L. H. J. Maclean, medical dept., for 3 years, under old regs.

March 17.—No. 278.—The admission to the Bengal Staff Corps of Ens. G. T. Maitland, of H.M.'s 42nd foot, asst. eng., Benares div., dept. of public works, announced in G.G.O. No. 249 of March 10, 1865, is to be held to have effect from April 9, 1864.

No. 279.—The undermentioned officers, admitted to the Bengal Staff Corps by G.G.O., will rank as lieuts. in that corps, under the operation of para. 84 of G.G.O. No. 332 of April 10, 1861, with effect from the dates specified opposite to their respective names, subject to H.M.'s approval :—

Ens. E. G. Lillington, of H.M.'s 71st foot, asst. coms. of Lohardugga, Nov. 17, 1863.

Ens. G. T. Maitland, of H.M.'s 42nd foot, asst. eng., Benares div., dept. of public works, April 9, 1864.

The admission of Ens. Lillington to the staff corps in G.G.O. No. 51 of Jan. 12, 1865, is to be held to have been in the rank of ens. instead of that of lieut.

No. 280.—Maj. J. E. Thomson, of the Bengal Staff Corps, sub asst. coms. gen., is permitted, at his own request, to resign his app. in the army commission dept., from the date of his dep. on furl. to Eur.

No. 281.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Eur. on furl. on private affairs :—

Maj. J. E. Thomson, of the Bengal Staff Corps, for 2 years.

No. 284.—Asst. surg. A. Fitzgerald, of the med. dept., is perm. to proc. to the Neilgherry Hills on m.c., and to be absent from Bengal on that account for 8 mo., under the new regs.

No. 285.—The underment. officer is perm. to proc. to Eur. on furl. :—

Lieut. W. G. Chalmers, of the Bengal staff corps, wing officer, 23rd Punjab regt. N.I., for 2 yrs.

No. 286.—The underment. officer is perm. to proc. to Eur. on leave on m.c. :—

Ens. J. Baxter (unatt.), riding master Lahore light horse, for 20 mo., under the new regs.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR, N.W.P.

Feb. 16.—No. 43a.—Mr. W. R. N. James, offic. asst. coms. of the 2nd class in the Jhansie div., is invested with the powers of an asst. coms. of the 1st class for the trial of civil suits in the districts of Jhansie, Jaloun, and Lullutpore of the Jhansie div.

Feb. 15.—No. 44a.—The cantonment mag. of Delhi is app. to be also ex-officio superint. of Abkaree within a tract of country on the left bank of the Jumna in the Meerut district to a distance of two miles from the boundaries of the Delhi cantonment.

Feb. 13.—No. 438a.—Rev. H. Heinig, Baptist missionary at Benares, is licensed to solemnise marriages and to grant certificates of marriage between native Christians in the N.W.P.

No. 442a.—Rev. W. Etherington, Baptist missionary at Benares, is licensed to solemnise marriages and to grant certificates of marriages between native Christians in the N.W.P.

Feb. 14.—No. 477a.—It is hereby notified for general information that as the Government tea plantations in the N.W.P. are for sale, the distribution of tea plants and tea seeds from these plantations will cease from this date.

Feb. 15.—No. 486a.—Leave of absence on m.c. for 15 mo., under sec. XI. of the Civil Service Furl. and Absentee Rules, is granted to Mr. H. Monckton, mag. and coll. of Cawnpore.

The usual prep. leave under sec. XVIII. of the rules is also granted to Mr. Monckton, with effect from the 20th inst.

No. 487a.—Mr. W. S. Halsey is app. to offic. as mag. and coll. of Cawnpore, with effect from the 20th inst.

No. 497a.—In modification of notification No. 4,009a, of Dec. 20 last, Mr. H. Lushington, offic. mag. and coll. of Moradabad, is app. to offic. as civil and sess. judge of Ghazepore, with effect from the date on which he made over charge of the Moradabad dist. to Mr. Manderson.

No. 498a.—Mr. J. W. Sherer will offic. as civil and sess. judge of Mirzapore during the absence of Mr. Fane.

No. 503a.—Sub Asst. surg. S. P. Johns, whose services have been placed at the disposal of this Govt. by the notification of the Govt. of the Punjab, No. 2,308, dated Nov. 26 last, is app. to be lecturer on anatomy in the Agra med. school, with effect from Dec. 21 last.

No. 509a.—Mr. W. Blunt, joint mag. and dep. coll. at Futtetpore, is transf. in his present capacity to Mirzapore.

Feb. 18.—No. 539a.—The notification in this dept., No. 260a, dated 30th ult., by which Mr. E. S. Robertson, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll., Benares, was transf. to Ghazepore, is hereby cancl.

Feb. 20.—No. 552a.—Mr. J. C. Robertson was a passenger on board the steamer *Sinla*, which left the Sandheads on the 10th inst.

No. 553a.—Mr. E. Macnaghten is app. to be judge of the Small Cause Court at Allahabad, with effect from the date on which Mr. J. C. Robertson reported his departure to Eur.

No. 554a.—Mr. D. C. Halkett, asst. mag. and coll. in the Benares div., is app. a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade, v. Mr. E. Macnaghten.

No. 555a.—Mr. C. W. Mellor, asst. mag. and coll. of Ghazepore, is app. to offic. as a joint mag. and dep. coll.

No. 556a.—Mr. C. J. Daniell, dep. comr. of the 3rd class in the Jhansie div., is app. a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 1st grade, with effect from the date on which Mr. E. B. Thornhill makes over charge of his present duties, and is posted to the Shahjehanpore dist.

No. 557a.—Mr. E. G. Jenkinson is appd. a dep. comr. of the 3rd grade at Jhansie, v. Mr. C. J. Daniell.

No. 558a.—Mr. E. S. Robertson, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. in the Benares div., is appd. a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade, v. Mr. E. G. Jenkinson.

No. 559a.—Mr. C. Twigg, asst. in the settlement dept. at Etah, is appd. to offic. as a joint mag. and dep. coll.

No. 560a.—Mr. G. Palmer is appd. to be mag. and coll. of Bijnores.

No. 561a.—Mr. H. Lushington is appd. to be mag. and coll. of Cawnpore, but will continue to offic. as civil and session judge of Ghazepore.

No. 568a.—That portion of the notification in this dept., No. 269a, dated the 30th ult., by which the services of Mr. A. C. Tupps, B.A., asst. mag. and coll. at Futtetpore, were placed at the disposal of the Govt. in India in the foreign dept., for employment in Oude, is hereby cancl.

No. 569a.—The services of Mr. A. F. Millett, asst. mag. and coll. at Meerut, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India in the foreign dept., for employment in Oude.

Feb. 15.—No. 776.—ERRATUM.—For "28th ult." in notification No. 2,930, dated Dec. 17 last, read "27th ult." as the date on which Lieut. col. F. Alexander received charge of the Meerut div., public works.

SMALL CAUSE COURTS.

Feb. 21.—No. 153a.—Under section 6 of Act XXII. of 1864, Courts of Small Causes for the trial of suits of the nature described in section 3 of Act XLII. of 1860 are hereby established within the jurisdiction of all cantonment magistrates of the North-Western Provinces, to be presided over by the several cantonment magistrates.

The pecuniary limit of the jurisdiction of the said courts shall be 200 rupees.

Feb. 27.—No. 217a.—One mo. priv. leave, under the orders of the Govt. of India, dated Oct. 13, 1863, is granted to Capt. W. Playfair, offic. asst. dist. superint. of police at Mirzapore, with effect from 15th inst., or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

Feb. 21.—No. 588a.—So much of the notification in this dept., No. 220a, dated the 26th ult., as appd. the civil and sessions judge of Agra to be a member of the special central examination committee to be assembled at Agra, in the month of April next, is hereby cancl.

Feb. 22.—No. 600a.—Mr. F. M. Lind, judge of Furruckabad, and offic. comsnr. of the Allahabad div., to be judge of Goruckpore, but to continue to offic. as comsnr. of the Allahabad div.

Mr. M. B. Thornhill to be judge of Furruckabad.

Mr. G. E. Lance to be judge of Cawnpore.

These appts. will have effect from Nov. 23 last.

No. 603a.—Fifteen days' leave of abs., under the new civil service absentee rules, is granted to Mr. W. Blunt, joint mag. and dep. coll. at Mirzapore, prep. to proceeding on furl. to Europe, with effect from 9th prox., or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

Feb. 24.—No. 631a.—Mr. C. B. Thornhill, comr. of Allahabad, having reported his return from Eur., is appd. to offic. as jun. member of the Sudder board of revenue, with effect from 18th inst.

No. 632a.—Mr. W. T. Baldwin, asst. mag. and coll. at Moosuffernuggur, is transf. in his present capacity to Boolundshuhur.

No. 336a.—Rev. J. R. Baldwin, chaplain of Dhurmsalla, whose services have been placed at the disposal of this Govt., is appd. to be chaplain of Allahabad, with effect from the date on which he received charge from the Rev. A. W. Irwin, M.A.

Feb. 27.—No. 644a.—Fifteen days' priv. leave is granted to Mr. M. Wittinbaker, dep. coll. at Bareilly, with effect from the 25th inst., or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 647a.—Twenty days' prep. leave to enable him to reach the port of embarkation with the view of proceeding on furl. to Eur., is granted to Mr. H. Chase, joint mag. and dep. coll. at Mynpoorie, with effect from March 26.

No. 650a.—An ext. of leave on m.c. for 2 mo., from Jan. 30 to March 31, under para. 11 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules, is granted to Honorary asst. surg. L. A. Sakes, offic. civil asst. surg. of Oraie.

THE LATE STATION OF NOWGONG.

Feb. 23.—No. 1,000.—The following changes are hereby notified:—

The station of Nowgong is formed into a separate charge and will be called the Nowgong div. of public works.

The Cawnpore and Jhansie road div. is abolished. With reference to the above, the following transfs. will take place:—

Road from Cawnpore to Calpee from the charge of the executive engineer, Cawnpore and Jhansie Road, to that of the executive engineer of the Cawnpore division, public works.

The remainder of the Cawnpore and Jhansie Road—viz., from Calpee to Jhansie—will be under the charge of the executive engineer of the Jhansie division, public works.

No. 1,001.—The following transfers are hereby notified:—

Capt. A. W. Owen, exec. engr., Bundelkhund Road division, to the charge of the Nowgong division, public works.

Mr. W. H. Parker, exec. engr., Cawnpore and Jhansie Road, to the Bundelkhund Road division.

No. 1,010.—Lieut. G. T. Skipwith, R.E., asst. engr., Northern div., Ganges Canal, reported his return from the leave granted to him in G.O. 5,208a, dated Nov. 15 last, on 23rd ult.

No. 1,011.—With reference to G.O. No. 52, dated 9th ult., Mr. A. W. Brind, special asst. engr., joined his appointment in the Allygurh division, Ganges Canal, on 29th ult.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR PUNJAB.

Feb. 23.—No. 471.—Major J. W. F. Bean, cantonment mag. of Rawul Pindee, has obtained leave for 1 mo., under the military rules, with effect from March 18, or such date thereafter as he may avail himself of the same.

No. 472.—Capt. D. MacFarlane, Bengal staff corps, doing general duty at Rawul Pindee, to offic. as cantonment magis. during the absence of Major Bean.

Feb. 24.—No. 6,487.—With reference to Govt. of India's Notification No. 35, dated Fort William, Dec. 12, 1864, Lieut. L. Conway Gordon, R.E., asst. engr. 2nd class, is posted to the Lahore div.

Feb. 21.—No. 51.—Surg. Webb, in med. charge 4th Sikh inf., has obtained 6½ mo. leave to visit Murree and Cashmeer, on m.c., from April 1 to Oct. 15, 1865.

Feb. 21.—No. 260.—Mr. H. J. Teasdale, asst. dist. superint. of police, doing tempy. duty at Goojrat, to revert to Shahpoor.

No. 261.—Mr. E. Tronson, offic. asst. dist. superint. of police, on special duty at Lahore, to do duty at Goojrat during the absence of Lieut. Kirke, on leave, or until further orders.

No. 451.—Col. G. Reynell, c.b., is reapp. coms. and superint. Derajat div., but will offic. as coms. of the Umballa div. and Lieut. gov.'s agent Cis-Sutlej States.

No. 454.—Lieut. W. G. Waterfield, judge Small Cause Court, Peshawur, offic. as dep. coms. of Peshawur from Oct. 10 to Oct. 25, 1864, during absence, on duty, of Capt. A. A. Munro, at Lahore.

No. 4,409.—With reference to Govt. of India's Notification No. 39, dated Fort William, Feb. 9, 1865, Mr. E. James, proby. asst. eng., is posted to the Rawul Pindee div.

Feb. 28.—No. 291.—Lieut. F. M. Birch, judge of Small Cause Court, Lahore, has priv. leave for 7 weeks from date of availing himself of same.

No. 292.—Mr. L. Griffin, offic. personal assistant to the judicial comsnr., to officiate as judge of Small Cause Court, Lahore, during absence of Lieut. Birch on leave.

No. 69.—Mr. J. Hargrave is app. mate of steamer *Chenab*, with effect from March 1.

Feb. 27.—No. 494.—Mr. T. C. Vaughan, extra asst. coms., having reported his return from Europe on 11th inst., has leave for 8 weeks, to enable him to rejoin his appointment.

No. 495.—Mr. Vaughan is posted to the Sealkote district.

Feb. 28.—No. 6,596.—The stations of Attock and Kamilpore are transf. from the Peshawur div. to the 3rd div. Lahore and Peshawur Road.

Transfers:—

Mr. C. Fraser, supervisor, 2nd grade, from Peshawur div. to 3rd div. Lahore and Peshawur Road.

No. 6,602.—Mr. E. James, prob. asst. engr., from the Rawul Pindee to the Lahore div.

Lieut. L. C. Gordon, posted to the Lahore div., in Punjab Govt. notification, No. 6,487, dated Feb. 24, is transf. to the Rawul Pindee div.

No. 57.—The station order, dated Feb. 10, issued by Major J. P. W. Campbell, comdg. at Dera Ghazee Khan, appg. Lieut. L. C. DeL. Daniell, 1st Sikh inf., to offic. as station staff officer, during the absence of Lieut. H. C. P. Rice, on recruiting duty, or until further orders, is confirmed.

No. 58.—The regtl. order, dated Feb. 2, by the officer comdg. 4th Sikh inf., making the foll. temp. appts., consequent on the departure on leave, on m.c., of Lieut. H. Fitz Hugh, wing officer, is confirmed:—

Lieut. Pratt, adjt., to offic. as wing officer, and receive charge of qmr.'s office.

Lieut. Gowan, qmr., to offic. as adjt.

Mar. 2.—No. 299.—Maj. T. Staples, dist. superint. of police, from the Moosuffurgurh to the Shahpoor dist.

No. 300.—Capt. R. M. Sewell, dist. superint. of police (proc. on leave to Eur.), from the Shahpoor to the Moosuffurgurh dist.

No. 301.—Mr. P. A. Rattigan, asst. dist. superint. of police, to offic. as dist. superint. of police, Moosuffurgurh.

No. 510.—With reference to *Punjab Gazette*

order No. 1,934, dated Sept. 29, 1864, transf. Capt. T. F. Forster, asst. coms., from Sealkote to Goojranwalla, it is hereby notified that the transfer in question was made for the purpose of that officer offic. as dep. coms. of Goojranwalla.

Mar. 8.—No. 520.—Promotions.—Mr. P. H. Egerton, C.S., dep. coms. 1st class, is appd. coms. and superint., v. Mr. P. S. Melville, C.S., proc. on furl. to Eur.

Mr. Egerton is posted to the Hissar div., but will officiate in the Umritsur div. for Mr. R. N. Cust.

No. 521.—Maj. W. R. Elliott, dep. coms. 2nd class, is prom. to be dep. coms. 1st class, v. Mr. P. H. Egerton.

No. 522.—Capt. W. G. Davies, dep. coms. 3rd class, is prom. to be dep. coms. 3rd class, v. Maj. W. R. Elliott.

No. 523.—Capt. A. A. Munro, asst. coms. 1st class, is prom. to be dep. coms. 2nd class, v. Capt. W. G. Davies.

Capt. Munro is posted to the Kohat dist.

No. 524.—Mr. D. Fitzpatrick, C.S., asst. coms. 2nd class, is prom. to be asst. coms. 1st class, v. Capt. A. A. Munro.

No. 525.—Mr. L. Cowan, asst. coms. 3rd class, is prom. to be asst. coms. 2nd class, v. Mr. D. Fitzpatrick.

No. 526.—The Hon. the Lieut. gov. is pleased to direct the foll. transfers of officers in civil employ in the Punjab, to have effect from March 1, 1865:—

Col. G. Hamilton, coms. and superint., from the Mooltan to the Delhi div., v. Mr. P. S. Melville, C.S.

No. 527.—Mr. W. Ford, C.S., coms. and superint., from the Hissar to the Mooltan div., v. Colonel Hamilton.

No. 528.—Mr. T. D. Forsyth, c.b., C.S., coms. and superint., from the Lahore to the Jullunder div.

No. 529.—Mr. F. H. Cooper, c.b., C.S., coms. and superint., from the Jullunder to the Lahore div.

No. 530.—Capt. N. W. Elphinstone, deputy coms., from the Jullunder to the Kangra dist., v. Mr. P. H. Egerton, prom. to be coms.

No. 531.—Major W. McNeille, deputy coms., from the Goordaspore to the Jullunder district.

No. 532.—Capt. R. Young, deputy coms., from the Hoshiarpore to the Goordaspore dist.

No. 533.—Major W. R. Elliott, deputy coms., from the Kurnal to the Hoshiarpore dist.

No. 534.—Major J. Fendall, deputy coms., from the Moosuffurgurh to the Kurnal dist., but will continue to offic. as dep. coms. of Hissar.

No. 535.—Capt. H. J. Hawes, deputy coms., from the Shahpoor to the Moosuffurgurh dist.

No. 536.—Capt. W. G. Davies, deputy coms., from the Kohat to the Shahpoor district.

No. 537.—Mr. D. Macnabb, C.S., deputy coms. of Peshawur, but at present offic. deputy coms. of Umritsur, will join his substantive appointment.

No. 538.—Capt. G. F. J. Lewin, asst. coms., will offic. as deputy coms. of Umritsur, from the date of Mr. Macnabb's departure, v. Major O. J. McL. Farrington, absent on m.c.

No. 539.—Capt. J. R. G. G. Shortt, offic. deputy coms. of Kohat, will offic. as deputy coms. of Jullunder, v. Major W. McNeille, offic. as coms. of Hissar.

No. 542.—Mr. C. M. Rivaz, C.S., is app. an asst. coms. in the Punjab, of the 3rd class, and posted to Lahore.

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Bombay Castle, March 10.—No. 141.—Capt. L. C. Barton, staff corps, political agent, Rewa Kanta, is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo., on m.c.

No. 142.—The foll. officers are allowed furl. to Eur., on m.c.:—

Capt. R. P. Mainwaring, H.M.'s 20th regt. N.I., for 18 mo., via the Cape of Good Hope.

Lieut. W. Merriman, royal (Bombay) engra, dep. consulting engr. for railways, for 20 mo.

No. 143.—The foll. officers are allowed furl. to Eur., for 20 mo., on m.c.:—

Major F. L. Magniac, Madras staff corps, Judge of Small Cause Court, Nagpore.

Lieut. E. R. C. Bradford, Madras staff corps, 2nd in com. 1st Central India horse.

No. 144.—The date of the prom. of Capt. W. H. Ross, announced in G.O., No. 121, dated Feb. 28 last, is Feb. 19.

March 13.—No. 145.—The following officers are allowed furl. to Eur. for 20 mo., on m.c.:—

Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals J. H. Orr, Madras med. estab.

Capt. J. L. Ferrers, 3rd regt. Madras L.C.

No. 146.—The foll. officer having applied for admission to the staff corps under the provisions of para. 2 of G.O.G.I., No. 531, dated June 27, 1864, is appd. to the Bombay staff corps from the date specified opposite his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. (brevet Capt.) P. Hodgson, 22nd regt. N.I., adjt. 22nd regt. N.I., March 24, 1862.

No. 150.—With reference to G.O. No. 406, dated Sept. 1, Maj. W. D. Dickson, staff corps, is confirmed in the app. of cantonment mag. at Neemuch, from the date he took charge of the office, but with the condition that he will vacate the app. in the event of Maj. F. T. Ross, staff corps, being re-app. thereto.

"BRITISH" AND "INDIAN" OFFICERS.

March 15.—No. 151.—The following extract of a despatch from the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India, No. 451, of Dec. 31, 1863, is published. The officers mentioned are the officers of the new royal art., royal engrs., and line regts. of inf. and cav.:—

"But inasmuch as the officers here mentioned are generally unknown to H.R.H., and would therefore be less likely to be selected for div. commands as 'British' than as 'Indian' officers, it appears to H.R.H. that for the present it would be advisable to consider these officers as 'Indian,' for the purpose of selection, and to assign four (4) commands in Bengal to the Indian service."

The Govt. of India has directed that the principle above laid down shall be observed in this Presidency, and that, of the four divisions of the Bombay army, two shall be allotted to officers of the British army, and two to officers of the Indian army as at present; and that, of the seven brigades, two shall be allotted to the British army and five to the Indian army, the officers of the royal art., royal engrs., and new line regts., being for these purposes regarded as if they were officers of the Indian army.

Maj. gen. Sir C. Van Straubenzee, K.C.B., is appd. to command the Bombay army from the 14th inst., pending further arrangements by H.M.'s Govt.

Consequent on the foregoing appt., Brig. gen. C. W. Staveley, C.B., is appd. temp. to the divisional staff.

Brig. gen. A. T. Heyland, C.B., is appd. a brig. of the 1st class, v. Staveley.

Brig. gen. G. Malcolm, C.B., will succeed to the full vacancy.

Col. Forster, R.A., is appd. to act as brig. of the 2nd class, with the temp. rank of brig. gen.

No. 153.—Lieut. G. E. Harris, staff corps, sub asst. coms. gen., has a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo., from the date of departure from Aden, on m.c.

No. 154.—Lieut. A. FitzHugh, Bengal staff corps, wing officer, 4th regt., Sikh inf., is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo. from the date of embarkation from Kurrachee, on m.c.

No. 155.—Lieut. col. J. J. Combe, comdt. 18th Bombay N.I., is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 6 mo. (from the date of departure of the last mail steamer in March), on private affairs, under rule 9 of the new furl. Rules.

No. 157.—Lieut. and qrmr. Gillmor, 20th regt. N.I., performed the duties of cantonment mag., Ahmedabad, from Feb. 20 to 25 (both days inclusive), without prejudice to his regtl. duties.

No. 158.—The undermen. med. officers, having completed 20 yrs. service, to be surg. majs. from the date specified under para. 7 of G.G.O. No. 325, dated July 13, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Surg. R. Nicholson, M.D., March 1.

Surg. W. C. Coles, M.D.

Surg. J. F. Shekleton, A.B., M.B., March 1.

March 15.—The appointment of Lieut. W. Scott, adjt. 19th regt. N.I., as boundary settlement officer under the resident at Baroda, is cancelled, at his own request.

March 13.—Capt. C. V. Tanner is app. asst. superint. of police at Sholapoor.

March 15.—The Hon. the Gov. in Council has been pleased to confirm the appointment made by the Hon. the Chief Justice of the High Court of Mr. J. O'Leary, barrister-at-law, as reporter to the High Court on its original jurisdiction side, in succession to Mr. T. C. Haylar, resigned.

Mr. J. Edwards, Hoozoor dep. coll. and mag. of Ahmednuggur, is invested with powers of a subord. mag. 1st class in Ahmednuggur district.

March 9.—Mr. S. W. Tyndall, dep. coll. and mag. of Shikarpoor, has leave, m.c., from Feb. 20 to March 20, in ext., under sec. 11 of revised uncov. service absentee rules.

March 13.—Mr. A. A. Borradaile to act as dep.

comnr. of customs, salt, and opium, Presidency div., from date of Mr. Arbuthnot's leave.

Mr. J. Edwards to be Hoozoor dep. coll. and mag. of Ahmednuggur.

Mr. C. W. Bell, 2nd asst. coll. and mag. of Tanna, has leave to England for 15 mo., m.c., from 14th inst.; also prep. leave for 8 days from 8th inst.

March 14.—Mr. J. Gibbs acted as collector of income tax for town and island of Bombay, and superint. of stamps and stationery, from Feb. 24 to March 4.

The furl. for 1 year granted to Mr. J. MacFarlan, acting 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Kulladghee, is to commence from the 29th, instead of from March 14.

With reference to the notification of the 15th ult., it is hereby notified that the districts of Kurrachee, Hyderabad, and Sukkur in the Province of Sind, are also placed under the control of Major J. T. Francis, the survey and settlement comnr.

Lieut. G. C. Sartorius, of the Berar survey, passed an exam. in the Marathi language on March 8.

March 15.—The Hon. J. D. Inverarity has been perm. to resign H.M.'s civil service from the 14th inst.

Mr. E. H. Little has been temp. app. to the office of educational insp. southern div., from Dec. 21, 1864, under the provisions of the order of the Govt. of India, No. 22, dated Jan. 12.

March 13.—Mr. J. P. Bickersteth having been allowed leave of absence to Eur. for 6 mo. from April 14 next, C. Peile, Esq., solicitor, has been app. to act for him as registrar of the diocese.

March 14.—Mr. Ingle, acting 1st class pilot, is confirmed in his appt., v. Mr. Tucker, dec.

Mr. S. E. Sculthorpe to be acting 1st class pilot, v. Mr. J. Ingle, confirmed.

Mr. J. C. Lawrence, acting 2nd class pilot, is confirmed in his appt. v. Mr. Ingle, prom.

Mr. T. F. White, 3rd class pilot, to be acting 2nd class pilot, v. Mr. Lawrence, prom.

Mr. H. H. Smith, 2nd mate of the light vessel *Colaba*, to be transf. from the port fund to the pilot dept. as probationary pilot, to complete complement.

The above arrangements to have effect from the 6th idem.

March 22.—No. 164.—The following officer having applied for admission to the staff corps under the provs. of para. 2 of G.O.G.I. No. 531, dated June 27, 1864, is appd. to the Bombay staff corps from the date specified opposite his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secy. of State for India:—

Capt. H. C. B. Tanner, R.A., asst. rev. sur., Sind, from Oct. 15, 1862.

No. 169.—The undermen. officer having completed 12 yrs. serv., 4 of which were on perm. staff employ, to be capt., from the date specified, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:

Lieut. (brevet capt.) A. T. Reid, March 20.

No. 170.—The undermen. officer having completed 12 yrs. serv., 4 of which were on perm. staff employ, to be capt., from the date specified under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Lieut. (brev. capt.) F. J. T. Ross, March 18.

No. 171.—Asst. surg. E. F. Wheatley, 22nd regt. N.I., has been allowed a furl. to Eur., on m.c., for 18 mo., beginning on Feb. 15.

DISBANDMENT OF THE SOUTHERN MAHRATTA HORSE.

No. 173.—Under instructions by the Govt. of India, the regt. of Southern Mahratta Horse will be disbanded from April 30.

The regt. was raised by Maj. J. Ramsay in 1850 from the cavalry in the service of the Sattara and Kolapoor States, and of the Jagheerdars of the Southern Mahratta country. Some of the men had previously done good service to the British Govt. at the capture of Badamee, and in the campaign in the Southern Mahratta country of 1844, including the capture of the Hill Fortress of Punalla.

The regt. has always proved itself a body of faithful and gallant soldiers, they volunteered for service in Persia in 1856, and one troop landed and did duty at Bushire. Themselves inhabitants of the Southern Mahratta country, and surrounded by disaffection, the zeal and alacrity of officers and men in 1857-58, under the command of Colonel G. Malcolm, C.B., largely assisted in maintaining the British authority in the Sattara and Southern Mahratta districts. The rapid march of the detachment under Lieut. Kerr to Kolapoor, in September, 1857; their gallant conduct at the Pagah against the mutineers; the subsequent conduct of the detachment at Kolapoor under Russuldar Bahadur Sheikh Rahimon; their behaviour at Beejapoor, and at

Hulgullee, at which place they drove the enemy into the village, and then on foot joined a detachment of native infantry in storming it; their share in the forced march to Sholapoor, and the capture of that fort, and again in the occupation of Nurgood, for which the regiment, and especially Russuldar Major Sew Pursad Sing received the high approbation of Government, and Duffedar Sheikh Ahmed received the Order of Merit for scaling the wall and opening the gate; their service in Central India against Tantia Topee, and their gallantry in action at Chota Oodeypoor, are some of the most notable services of the regt. at that critical time.

H.E. the Gov. in Council particularly acknowledges the valuable services of Russuldar Major Sew Pursad Sing, and of Russuldar Sirdar Khan, and of the other native commissioned officers.

The arrangements for disbandment follow:—

The European officers will receive their present staff allowances as a minimum rate of staff pay for 6 mo. from May 1 next.

No. 174.—The Govt. of India has sanctioned, subject to confirmation by H.M.'s Govt., a separately organised escort for the Gov. of Bombay, to be formed by selection from the Southern Mahratta horse on the disbandment of that regt.

The corps will be styled the "Governor's Body Guard," and the number of men and rates of pay will be as follows:—

	Pay Monthly.
	Rs.
1 European officer	200
1 Russuldar	107
1 Rassaidar	60
1 Jemadar	47
1 Kote Duffedar... ..	88
5 Duffedars	34
1 Trumpeter	40
1 Farrier... ..	30
60 Sowars... ..	15
1 Puckal Bheesty	9
1 Hand Bheesty	

Each native commissioned, non-commissioned officer, and soldier will receive Rs. 10 monthly in addition whilst serving in the body guard.

The usual contingent allowance will be given for repair of arms.

The officer comdg. the Southern Mahratta Horse, under the direction of the maj. gen. comdg. the forces, will select for the Gov.'s body guard, commissioned, non-commissioned officers, and sowars of proved good character, and fit in every respect for the duty by their intelligence and personal appearance.

The whole of the men will be one horse silladars, providing their own horses, arms, accoutrements, and clothing. They are expected to be mounted on horses of a superior kind, both as respects appearance and power.

The body guard will in the first instance be provided with a complete set of arms and accoutrements, and clothing of such pattern as may be approved by H.E. the Gov.

The body guard will be under the same conditions of service as the men of silladar cav. regts., being subject to the Articles of War, and enjoying all privileges as regards pension, compensation for the dearthness of provisions, &c.

The officer to command the escort will be selected by H.E. the Gov.

March 22.—Lieut. A. M. Phillips has been appd. to act as 2nd in command in charge of the Sawunt Waree local corps, from Nov. 13 last.

March 18.—The appt. of Capt. C. E. Naylor to act as superint. of police at Ahmednuggur is cancelled at his own request.

Capt. J. Harpur, staff corps, to act as superint. of police at Ahmednuggur, v. Maj. T. Thatcher absent on leave.

The Hon. Mr. A. J. Lewis, advocate gen., has been granted 6 mo. leave on private affairs, to proceed to Eur.

Mr. J. Edwards, Hoozoor dep. col. and mag. of Ahmednuggur, is invested with the powers of a mag., the power to commit cases to the sessions under Section 38 of the Criminal Procedure Code, and with powers contemplated by Act XIII. of 1859, in the Ahmednuggur dist.

March 22.—The Hon. the chief justice of H.M.'s High Court of Judicature has granted an ext. for 2 mo. of the 6 mo. leave of absence, on m.c., granted Sept. 20 last, to J. P. Green, Esq., barrister at law and superint. reporter of the high court.

H.E. the Gov. in Council has been pleased to confirm the appt. by the hon. the chief justice of H.M.'s High Court of Judicature, of Mr. J. J. Curran as dep. clerk of the Crown in succession to Mr. H. Manisty, res.

March 16.—Mr. S. H. Phillpotts, of the civil service, passed the departmental examination according to the second standard on Feb. 20, 1865.

March 18.—The notification published at page 182 of the Bombay Government Gazette of 1865, placing the services of Mr. C. W. Bell, civil service, at the disposal of the Government of India for employment in the Central Provinces, is cancelled.

The prep. leave for six days granted to Mr. W. Hart, revenue and police comsrr., southern division, under date Sept. 7, 1864, is extended to one day further, viz., up to the 29th idem.

Mr. J. Chesson is allowed to resign his appointment of supt. of Panchganny and 2nd class sub. mag.

March 22.—Appointments:—

Mr. J. Elphinstone to be sub-coll. and joint mag. of Colaba, v. Mr. E. P. Robertson.

Mr. T. Monck Mason to be 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Rutnagherry from the date of Mr. Bozanquet's departure on furlough, but to act as 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Kulludghee, v. Mr. J. MacFarlan.

Mr. R. B. Worthington to be 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Dharwar, v. Mr. J. Elphinstone.

Mr. A. K. Nairne to be actg. 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Rutnagherry, v. Mr. T. M. Mason.

Mr. E. H. Little to be 2nd asst. coll. and mag. of Dharwar, v. Mr. J. MacFarlan, but to act as 2nd asst. coll. and mag. of Belgaum, v. Mr. C. B. Pritchard.

Mr. W. B. Mulock to be 3rd asst. coll. and mag. of Ahmedabad.

Mr. G. H. D. Wilson to be 3rd asst. coll. and mag. of Rutnagherry, v. Mr. C. H. Hogg, but to act as 3rd asst. coll. and mag. of Sattara, v. Mr. N. M. W. Daniel.

Mr. A. C. Watt to be supy. 3rd asst. coll. and mag. of Canara.

Mr. J. R. Morgan, acting revenue and police comsrr., southern division, is allowed leave of absence, to proceed to England, for 6 mos. from the 14th proximo, under section IX. of the new contemplated civil service absentee rules.

Mr. J. R. Daniell to be supy. 3rd asst. coll. and mag. of Dharwar, with effect from Jan. 25, 1865.

Surg. J. Lumsdaine to be supt. of Matheran, v. Dr. Smith.

March 20.—Asst. surg. H. J. Blane, M.D., to be superint. vaccination Western Circle, on being relieved from his present special duty.

Asst. surg. H. Wakefield to be civil surg. in N. Canara, v. Dr. Ross, Madras medical estab.

March 22.—Surg. F. G. Joynt to be acting surg. of the European General Hospital, v. Surg. major Thom.

Lieut. Babington, H.M.'s 16th regt. N.I., passed the examination laid down in Public Works Code on Oct. 25.

March 21.—Rev. J. Churchill, chaplain of Sattara, is app. to the chaplaincy of Mahabeshwar during the ensuing hot season.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Adj. gen.'s Office, Poona, March 11.—No. 259.—The following arrangements are confirmed, with effect from Dec. 19, 1864:—

10th Regt. N.I.

Maj. H. H. James to offic. as comdnt., Capt. T. W. Pierce as 2nd in comd., and Capt. R. Burd as wing officer, during the abs. of Lieut. col. Gell.

No. 260.—The following order is confirmed, under the provs. of G.O.C. No. 253, dated March 30, 1863:—

Dated Feb. 22.—By Lieut. col. Patey, appg. Lieut. Heyland to act as interpreter to the 56th foot.

No. 261.—The following order is confirmed:—

Dated March 1.—By Maj. McGregor, comdnt. southern Maratha horse, appg. Lieut. Willoughby, doing duty officer, to offic. as adjt., in addition to his own duties, during the abs. of Lieut. and Adj. Mayne.

No. 263.—Leave of absence:—

E Brig. R.H.A.—Capt. T. M. Harris, from March 14 to Sept. 13, to proc. to England:—

March 14.—No. 265.—Referring to G.G.O. No. 138, of the 7th inst., Brig. gen. Staveley, C.B., is posted to the Belgaum brigade.

No. 266.—The following appt. is made:—

11th Regt. N.I.

Lieut. T. Trueman, doing duty officer, Jacob's rifles, to be qrmr., v. Boyd.

No. 267.—Capt. D. H. Hickman, staff officer at Surat, is transf. to Baroda as staff officer at that station, v. Sheppard.

No. 268.—Lieut. F. P. Forteach offc'd. as 2nd in comd., and Lieut. W. Scott as wing officer, 12th regt. N.I., in addition to their own respective duties, from

Jan. 31 to Feb. 5, and from Feb. 19 to 22, during the absence of Maj. Piers and Capt. Hutcheon on court martial duty.

March 15.—No. 270.—Lieut. P. J. F. Henslowe is confirmed in the appt. of qrmr. 27th regt. N.I. or 1st Belooch batt., with effect from Oct. 8, 1864.

PERSIAN—Second Standard.

Lieut. W. Tweedie, Bengal staff corps.
No. 272.—Ens. G. J. Coulson, 106th foot, a candidate for the staff corps, is attached to the 1st cavalry as a probationer for that branch of the service.

No. 277.—Leave of absence:—

Capt. J. M. MacNeill, 72nd foot, from March 10, to June 9, pending his retirement from the service.

Capt. E. S. K. Dawson, 106th foot, from March 2, to April 1, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final certificate to Eur. This cancels the leave granted to this officer in G.O.C. No. 222 of 1864.

Asst. apothy. G. Sinclair, subord. med. dept., from March 15, for 1 mo., to Bombay, on m.c.

HEAD QUARTERS OF THE ARMY.

Adj. Gen.'s Office, Poona, March 17.—Head quarters of the army will leave Poona for Mahabeshwar on 20th inst.

The following staff officers will proceed with the head quarters:—

The adjutant general of the army.

The quartermaster general of the army, on return from Scinde.

The acting judge advocate general of the army.

The deputy adjutant general of the army.

The assistant quartermaster general of the army, until the return of the quartermaster general, or until further orders.

The assistant adjutant general, royal artillery.

The deputy inspector general of hospitals, British troops.

All correspondence of an emergent nature to be addressed to Mahabeshwar. All letters having reference to previous correspondence to be addressed to Poona. All returns to be sent to Poona.

No. 286.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 152, of the 15th inst., Brig. gen. Heyland, C.B., is posted to the Belgaum brig.

No. 287.—Capt. T. VanStraubenzee, R.A., is apptd. to offic. as military sec. to Maj. gen. Sir C. T. VanStraubenzee, K.C.B., from the date of his assuming command of the Bombay army.

No. 288.—Capt. F. P. Forteach, adjt. 12th regt. N.I., is apptd. station staff officer at Surat, under the provs. of para. 2 of G.O.G.I. No. 1,076, Dec. 29.

No. 289.—Capt. J. H. Castell, staff corps, is att. to do duty with the 4th regt. N.I.

No. 290.—Officers returned to duty:—

Lieut. col. G. S. A. Anderson, staff corps, March 14.

Capt. W. H. Blowers, staff corps, March 1.

Capt. R. Wallace, 5th regt. N.I., March 14.

No. 291.—Lieut. A. C. Gardner, 21st brig. R.A., has been directed by H.R.H. the field marshal comdg. in chief to join the depot brig. at Canterbury Feb. 1, for duty, until further orders.

No. 294.—Leave of absence:—

Brev. col. R. W. D. Leith, 106th foot, from Jan. 27 to June 3, in ext., on m.c.

Ens. H. W. Nicholson, 82nd foot, to England, by the overland route, on m.c.

This officer is not available for duty with troops, and will, on arrival, report himself to the Adj. gen. Horse Guards.

Lieut. S. A. Smith (adjt. 17th regt. N.I.), staff corps, from March 14 to 31, to remain at Bombay, to appear before the next examination committee in native languages.

March 20.—No. 296.—Capt. W. H. Ross, staff corps, is attached to the 23rd regt. N.I., and will continue to offic. as adjt. of the regt. until relieved by Lieut. Gatacre.

March 21.—No. 297.—With reference to G.G.O. of 15th inst., in the political dept., that part of G.O.C. No. 159 of Feb. 15, which refers to Lieut. Pye, is cane.

Lieut. Pye is confirmed in the appt. of qrmr., 21st regt. N.I., from Nov. 17, 1864, v. Wilson, who has resigned the appt.

No. 298.—The following arrangement is confirmed, with effect from March 4:—

27th Regt. N.I., or 1st Belooch Battalion.

Capt. J. Barras to offic. as wing officer, during the absence of Capt. Hicks.

No. 299.—Orders confirmed:—

Dated March 12.—By Col. MacMahon, C.B., com. 44th regt. of foot, app. Lieut. Pigott to act as adjt. of the regt., from March 12, v. Trimmer, who resigns the appt.

Dated March 14.—By Col. MacMahon, C.B., com.

44th foot, app. Ens. Bain to act as instructor of musketry of the regt., with effect from March 8.

No. 300.—With reference to G.O.C. No. 257 of March 9, the officer com. 72nd foot is permitted to detain Qrmr. Munro for the purpose of closing the annual accounts due on 1st prox.

No. 301.—Capt. S. C. Milford, cadre 6th regt. N.I., is attached to the 2nd grenadiers.

March 22.—No. 303.—The following appts. are made:—

3rd Regt. N.I.—Lieut. R. A. Prideaux, gen. list, to be qrmr., v. Strutt, prom.

30th Regt. N.I.

Lieut. J. J. Tinling, gen. list, to be doing duty officer, v. Trueman.

Capt. J. R. Strutt, staff corps, is att. to the 3rd regt. N.I., and will continue to perform the duties of qrmr., until relieved by Lieut. Prideaux.

No. 304.—The foll. officers, at present on gen. duty, are att. to regts.:—

Capt. C. P. Barras, cadre 29th regt. N.I., to 14th regt. N.I.

Capt. G. W. Hanson, staff corps, to 9th regt. N.I.

Capt. S. Fellows, 5th regt. N.I., to 17th regt. N.I.

Capt. F. P. Jones, cadre 18th regt. N.I., to 18th regt. N.I.

No. 305.—Staff Asst. surg. Mathison is directed to proceed to Poona at the public expense, for gen. duty.

No. 306.—Capt. W. H. Blowers, staff corps, is placed on gen. duty, Rajcote.

No. 309.—Leave of absence:—

Lieut. col. G. R. S. Burrows, asst. qrmr. gen., northern div. of the army, qrmr. genl.'s dept., 1 mo. from date of departure, to Bombay, on m.c., preparatory to obtaining a final certificate to Europe.

Lieut. E. H. Davidson, 26th regt. N.I., from March 12 to April 12, to Bombay, on m.c., preparatory to obtaining a final certificate to Europe.

Brev. Lieut. col. J. Hackett, 44th foot, from Jan. 28 to March 7, to enable him to rejoin.

Resignation of Sir W. Mansfield.

GOVERNMENT GENERAL ORDER.

Bombay Castle, March 15.—H.E. Lieut. Gen. Sir William Mansfield resigned the command of the Bombay army on the 14th inst.

The services of Sir William Mansfield, previous to his taking command of the Bombay army, are so recent and so well known, that it is unnecessary to recapitulate them. They have been so frequently honoured with the notice and approval of the Viceroy of India, of the Parliament of England, and of her Majesty the Queen, that any comment on their eminent character would be superfluous.

But the Governor of Bombay in Council in notifying H.E.'s resignation of his present office, tenders to him the acknowledgments of Government for his unremitting and successful exertions whilst in command of the Bombay army to improve its efficiency.

Sir William Mansfield has exercised a vigilant and acting control over all that relates to the personnel, to the materiel, to the permanent quarters, and to the discipline of every arm of the service; to the health, comfort, and well being, moral as well as physical, of the soldier, to the efficiency of the fortifications and communications of the army, and has given to the Governor in Council the aid of a sound and experienced judgment in a series of measures, the result of which will constitute the best and most permanent record of his administration.

SIR W. MANSFIELD'S FAREWELL ORDER.

GENERAL ORDER. BY H. E. THE C.-IN-C.

Adj. Gen.'s Office, Poona, March 14, 1865.—When Sir William Mansfield assumed the command of the Bombay army, he was aware that great and radical changes were impending over it as consequences of the termination of a state of war, and of the transfer of the Government of India from the late Hon. East India Company to the Crown, under Act of Parliament.

H.E. then expressed a confident hope that the discipline of the army would not suffer under his command. Sir William Mansfield, now that his command of the Bombay army has closed, has the warmest satisfaction in recording his belief that that hope has been amply justified.

It may be well to cast a glance at the changes which have been effected.

Firstly, there was the reduction of the army from a war footing to a peace establishment, which may be stated in numbers as a reduction in all the arms from 70,000 to 40,000 men.

Secondly, there was the measure of the amalgama-

tion, which, while extending by Official Gazette the privileges attendant on military rank on account of the Indian officers to all the world, instead of being restricted as they had been heretofore to India, included the formation of the Staff Corps, the abolition of the local character of the British portion of the forces of the late Hon. East India Company, and the early retirement of many field officers and others owing to the grant of liberal pensions.

Thirdly, there was the measure of the re-organisation of the army, by which the regimental position of the officers, British and native, has been raised, a more direct responsibility thrown on both classes, while the roll of a regiment now presents the name of officers actually serving with it, instead of a long list of gentlemen of whom but a portion was interested in the corps, or ever present in its ranks.

Such are the extraordinary changes of the last five years, according to which the entire body of the Bombay Army has not only been re-modelled in form, but has been re-organised according to ideas absolutely different from those under which it was originally constituted.

To carry through such difficult duties in a satisfactory manner as those alluded to would have been impossible without the most cordial and intimate co-operation of the Head Quarter Staff, during the term of H.E.'s command. It is evident that that staff has had to perform duties unexampled in the history of the Bombay army.

Sir William Mansfield begs to return his most sincere thanks to Lieut.-Colonel Stock, the Adjutant General, who has been his most confidential adviser throughout for the last five years; to Lieut.-Colonel Phayre, the Quarter Master General, to Colonel Skinner, the Judge Advocate General (now on leave of absence), to Lieut.-Colonel Field, the Acting Judge Advocate General, to Colonel the Hon. F. Thesiger, 95th Foot, who acted as Deputy Adjutant General British Troops prior to the amalgamation of the staff offices, to Lieut.-Colonel Kirby, Deputy Adjutant General, and to Major Flood, Military Secretary.

H.E. would further tender his best thanks and acknowledgments to the major gens. comdg. divs., Major gen. C. Van Straubenzee, K.C.B., N.D.A.; Major gen. Green, C.B., N.D.A.; Major gen. Honner, C.B., S.D.A.; and Maj. gen. M. W. Smith, C.B., P.D.A. To Brig. gen. Lucas, late comdnt. and now insp. of royal art., to the brigadiers gen. comdg. brigades, and to the several officers comdg. brigades of art. and regts. of cav. and inf., for the zeal and discretion with which they have performed their respective duties, and their share in affording superintendence and execution to the reforms which have been adverted to.

H.E. would further beg the Principal Inspector-general, Dr. Stovell, and Deputy Inspector-general British Troops, Mr. Canning, to accept his warm acknowledgments for the excellent manner in which they have presided over their respective medical departments, and the energy with which they have directed the efforts of the medical officers under their orders for the improvement of the health of H.M.'s troops, and for the spread of sanitary reforms.

H.E. would request the Commissary-general, Lieut.-Colonel Dunsterville, and the Superintending Engineers of Circles, to accept his assurance that their zealous co-operation in the execution of the orders of Government for the provisioning and lodging of the troops has, in like manner, been of the greatest advantage to the public service.

In conclusion, H.E. would express his high opinion of the state of the several regiments, British and Native, serving in the Bombay Presidency, and of their very good conduct, which has rendered his command so pleasant to him.

Subject to the confirmation of Government, all reports from this date will be made for the information of Major-general Sir Charles Van Straubenzee, K.C.B. By order, H. Stock, Lieut.-col., Adjutant-general.

BIRTHS.

BOYLE—At Kurrachee, Feb. 26, the wife of Col. Boyle, comg. H.M.'s 89th regt., of a daughter.
BIVAR—At Cherra Poonjee, Khosiah Hills, March 10, the wife of Major Belli Bivar, Bengal Staff Corps, of a son.
CLERK—At 37, Park-street, Calcutta, March 11, the wife of D. G. Clerk, Esq., of a daughter.
CHAMBERS—At Bancoorah, March 18, the wife of Lieut. W. E. Chambers, District Superintendent of Police, of a son.

CHIODETTI—At Agra, March 13, the wife of Mr. G. Chiodetti, of a son.

COTTON—At Rawul Pindee, March 14, the wife of Capt. C. McC. Cotton, 20th Hussars, of a son.

CRAIG—At Vernon Cottage, Poona, March 18, the wife of Mr. George Craig, Journalist, of a son.

DEVITRE—At Mhow, March 20, the wife of Captain John DeVitre, 103rd Royal Bombay Fusiliers, of a daughter.

GILLMOR—At Camp Ahmedabad, March 20, the wife of John G. Gillmor, E-q., lieutenant and qmr. H.M.'s 20th regt. N.I., of a daughter.

HAYES—At Surat, March 11, the wife of J. B. Hayes, Esq., traffic manager B.B. and C.I. Railway, of a son.

JACKSON—At Neemuch, March 11, the wife of Mr. H. B. Jackson, P.W.D., of a son.

KINLOCK—At Allyghur, March 26, the wife of C. W. Kinlock, Esq., of a son.

LIDWILL—At Diffloo Factory, Assam, the wife of M. V. B. Lidwill, Esq., of a daughter—survived only two hours.

MACKAY—March 18, at Nusseerabad, the wife of Quartermaster Mackay, 106th Light Infantry, of a son.

MCLEAVY—At Meerut, on March 15, the wife of Mr. W. McLeavy, of a son.

PATERSON—At No. 1, Camac-street, Calcutta, on March 14, the wife of W. R. Paterson, Esq., of a son.

PHILLIPS—At Marine Lines, Esplanade, Bombay, March 23rd, the wife of Captain A. Phillips, municipal commissioner for the town and island of Bombay, of a daughter.

PRITCHARD—At Hingolee, March 4th, the wife of Lieut. H. F. Pritchard, R.H.A., of a daughter.

READ—At Bombay, March 17th, the wife of Wm. Read, engineer, Port Press Company, of a son.

RITCHIE—At Mahabeshwur, March 19th, the wife of Captain Ritchie, R.A., of a daughter.

SARGON—At the Retreat, Bulsar, March 6th, Mrs. Michael Sargon, of a son.

SCOTT—Ahmedabad, March 14th, the wife of Major W. Scott, Commanding H.M.'s 20th regiment N.I., of a son, stillborn.

SCOTT—At Walnut Grove, Mussoorie, Feb. 26th, Mrs. H. G. Scott, of a son.

SHAKESPEAR—At Kidderpore, March 11, the wife of Lieut. R. Shakespear, 36th N.I., of a daughter.

SMITH—At Mozufferpore, March 14, the wife of J. S. Smith, Esq., of Hursingpore, of a daughter.

SHAFRAZ—At Rangoon, Feb. 18, the wife of C. T. Shafraz, Esq., of a daughter.

WARRAND—At Umballa, March 11, the wife of Major Warrant, R.E., of a son.

WINTLE—At Anarkullee, Lahore, Feb. 23, the wife of Lieut.-Colonel Alfred Wintle, Royal Horse Artillery, of a son.

WOOD—At No. 8, Wood-street, Calcutta, March 7, the wife of James Wood, Esq., of a daughter.

WALSTAB—At 6, Spence's Hotel, Calcutta, March 16, the wife of Mr. George Arthur von Walstab, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BROWNLOW—JONES—At Sylhet, on Feb. 2, H. H. Brownlow, Esq., to Miss A. J. Jones.

BROOKE—CHRISTOPHER—At St. Paul's Church, Umballa, on March 11, Major H. F. Brooke, 49th regt., to Annie Isabella, eldest daughter of Major L. R. Christopher, Bengal Staff Corps.

COOPER—TICKELL—At the Cathedral, Hong Kong, on Feb. 18, William M. Cooper, Esq., H.B.M.'s Consular Service in China, to Mary Louisa, daughter of Colonel S. R. Tickell, late of the Bengal Staff Corps.

CARSHORE—BUCH—At Allyghur, March 14, Rev. Joseph James Carshore, D.D., Trinity College, Dublin, chaplain on H.M.'s Bengal Ecclesiastical Establishment, to Emma Buch, widow of the late Dr. Carl Buch, and daughter of the Rev. Robert Vaughan, D.D.

FAGAN—RAITT—At Surat, March 12, George Henry Fagan, Esq., Lieut. H.M.'s 12th Regt. N.I., to Helen Georgiana, youngest daughter of Major A. Raitt, Bombay Army.

GRAY—FERGUSON—At Malabar Hill, March 24, John Gray, Esq., M.D., Staff Assistant Surgeon, to Georgiana, daughter of George Ferguson, Esq., I.L.D., Emeritus Professor of Humanity, University of Aberdeen.

OGILVY—BOILEAU—At Ranchee, Chota Nagpore, March 14, John Francis Ogilvy, Esq., second son of Thomas Ogilvy, Esq., of Corromony, Invernesshire, to Fanny Elizabeth, only child of the late Lieut. E. I. Boileau, 35th L.I.

MAWSON—INGLIS—At St. John's Church, Calcutta, March 17, George Mawson, Esq., of Gola Ghat, Assam, to Annie, daughter of John Inglis, Esq., of Calcutta.

PARRY—GOULDING—At the Old Church, Mission Row, Calcutta, March 18, Mr. R. Parry, Kishnagur College, to Miss Goulding, Cornwallis-square.

QUINTON—DRUMMOND—At St. John's Church, Meerut, on the 20th inst., James Wallace Quinton, Bengal C.S., to Pauline Mary, eldest daughter of Lieut.-Colonel F. W. Drummond, Bengal Cavalry.

THORPE—CRAYDEN—At Umballa, March 20, John Thorpe, of Simla, to Eliza, eldest daughter of Charles Crayden, Esq.

DEATHS.

ALDRIDGE—At Ferozepore, on March 8, Louisa Margaret, infant daughter of Mr. C. Aldridge, A.D.S. of Police, aged 16 months.

BRAKE—At Camp, Saonair, Central Provinces, on March 8, of cholera, Annie Georgina Rose, the daughter of Dr. John Brake, Superintendent of Vaccination, Central Provinces.

CAMERON—At the Officers' Hospital, Chowringhee, on March 19, Lieut. D. R. Cameron, Royal Artillery, from wounds received on service with the Bhootan Doar Field Force.

COLLISS—At Navadah Factory, Bengal, on March 2, Henry Colliss, aged 35 years.

COCHRANE—At Belpadee, March 9, Arnold John, only son of J. P. Cochrane, pub. works dept.

FOGERTY—At Hill-house, Mazagon, on March 22, Maria Jane Arrowsmith, second daughter of W. K. Fogerty, Esq., surgeon, aged 18 years.

GREEN—At Benares, suddenly, on March 7, Regimental Sergeant-major William Green, 7th Princess Royal's Dragoon Guards, aged 40 years.

HARNER—At Dughshaie, on May 11, suddenly, Colour-sergeant Alexander Harner, of the 101st Regiment.

HESELTINE—At Rajpore, March 8, of diarrhoea and bronchitis, Mr. J. N. Heseltine.

HUME—At Bareilly, March 15, Mary, the wife of Major John Hume.

HOLLWAY—At his residence, 6, Government Place, Calcutta, on the 7th March, William Hollway, son of John Hollingworth Hollway, Esq., of the Island of Madeira,—aged 49 years, 5 months, and 23 days.

IRWIN—At Mozufferpore, March 8, Graham O'Neill, youngest son of Major W. B. Irwin, stud department, aged 10 months and 22 days.

ORR—At "Bassett Hall," Mussoorie, March 10, Jessie, the child of Captain and Mrs. Adolphus P. W. Orr, aged 14 months and 18 days.

LAMB—At Roorkee, March 7, Jane, the wife of Mr. James Lamb, irrigation department, N.W.P., aged 30.

MIDDLETON—At sea, on board the steamer Reiver, March 11, John Middleton, Esq., aged 58.

MCDUGALL—At Calcutta, March 19, Somerlid Gordon, son of Erik, and Flora Gordon McDougall, aged 7.

OLIVER—March 20, at Malabar Hill, Harriet, the wife of Norman Washington Oliver, Esq., Chief Magistrate of Poona.

RATTON—At Karriufa, in March, Dr. Ratton, 8rd M.L.C., of cholera.

ROSE—At Calcutta, March 6, Brevet-major George Ernest Rose, 8rd Battalion Rifle Brigade, aged 27 years.

SEARLE—At Kotree, March 13, William George Alexander, infant son of Mrs. and Mr. W. Searle, engineer, Indus Steam Flotilla.

SIMPSON—At Upper Colaba, March 20, George Harry, infant son of Mr. J. A. Simpson; also, on the 21st idem, Susan, the beloved wife of Mr. J. A. Simpson.

SMITH—At Bombay, March 17, on board the General Havelock, John Caulfield Haddon, youngest son of Henry B. Smith, Civil Engineer.

SMITH—At Bombay, March 24, of cholera, F. Smith, Esq., aged 26 years.

SULLIVAN—At Rawul Pindee, on March 15, Pensioner John Sullivan, aged 48 years.

TURTON—At Nynce Tal, on March 9, Alice Adelaide, the infant daughter of Captain and Mrs. Turton.

WALKER—Colonel J. L. A. Walker, 38th N.I. Bengal, at Calcutta, March 11.

WHISH—At Benares, on March 7, Annie Blanche, the infant daughter of Capt. H. E. Whish, Staff Corps.

YOUNG—Lieut. Young, Quartermaster 4th M.N.I., on march to Secunderabad, in March last.

To Correspondents.

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THE MYSORE RAJ.

As the case of the venerable Rajah of Mysore is likely to be brought before Parliament in the course of the present Session, it may be worth while to give a brief outline of the dealings of the British Government with this native State. Maha Rajah Mysore Kistna Rajah Oodiaver Bahauder is the lineal descendant of the ancient princes of that country. Towards the middle of the last century, however, the power passed from the hands of the sovereign into those of his Prime Minister, an hereditary officer, who constituted himself a Mayor of the Palace. Some years later the regal functions were usurped by Hyder Ali, though the mockery of the royal title was still bestowed upon the feeble representative of the ancient rulers of the land. At the death of Tippoo Sahib it was discovered that the throne was both nominally and virtually vacant, for the Rajah had died some months previously while the Sultan was too much occupied in preparing for his final struggle with the British to pay any attention to his royal puppets.

The territory that, by right of conquest, became the joint possession of the East India Company and their faithful ally the Nizam, in superficial area exceeded Ireland, and from its comparative elevation is one of the most delightful regions of India. Lord Wellesley's counsellors, including Sir Thomas Munro, were eager to divide this fine country between the conquerors, reservation being made of a small slice for the Peishwah as the reward of his neutrality during the war with Tippoo. The Governor-general, however, took a more provident view of the question. He saw that a mere extension of the frontier was by no means an advantage, and in the present instance the principal northern passes leading into Mysore would be placed in the custody of the Nizam. The British possessions would thus always have been open to attack, while the power of the Nizam would have been dangerously augmented. At the same time he recognised the in-

pediency of placing upon the throne any member of the usurping family, the inveterate enemies of the English, and, consequently, inclined towards a close alliance with the French, at that time dreaded all over the world. Luckily a third course suggested itself, and was at once adopted by the Governor-general. Without any unnecessary delay the representative of the ancient Hindoo rulers was raised out of the abject poverty into which the Royal race had sunk, and was declared the Sovereign of Mysore. The ceremony of installation was performed with much pomp and circumstance. The infant prince, for he was no more than five years old, was received at the entrance of the building temporarily erected for the purpose by the British Commander-in-Chief and the chief officer of the Nizam's forces; and taking him, one by the right hand, the other by the left, General Harris and Meer Allum conducted him to the ivory throne of his ancestors, on which he seated himself under a Royal salute from the artillery and three salvoes of musketry from the infantry.

The new kingdom thus happily inaugurated was somewhat less extensive than the one that had formerly existed under the sway of the Rajah's forefathers. Equal portions had been abstracted for the benefit of the Company and their ally, while a third tract had been set aside for the Peishwah, of which two-thirds were subsequently yielded to the Nizam. Two Treaties were drawn up on the occasion, the one ancillary to the other. The Partition Treaty defined the limits of the new kingdom of Mysore, and of the respective acquisitions of the East India Company, and their ally; while the Subsidiary Treaty regulated the future relations that were to subsist between the Rajah and the British Government. His Highness engaged to receive a military force from the Company for the protection of his dominions, for the maintenance of which he undertook to pay the annual sum of £245,000. On the other hand he was to keep on foot at his own charge an effective body of 4,000 horse to serve wherever the British Government might think proper to send them. He further pledged himself not to hold any communication whatever with any foreign State, or to suffer any European to enter his service, or even his territory, without the Company's consent. And if at any time there was a failure in the funds destined to pay the subsidy, or if the British Government had reasonable grounds for apprehending such failure, power was given to the Governor-general in Council "either to introduce such regulations and ordinances as he shall deem expedient for the internal management and collection of the revenues, or for the better ordering of

any other branch and department of the Government of Mysore, or to assume and bring under the direct management of the servants of the said Company Behauder, such part or parts of the territorial possessions of his Highness Maha Rajah Mysore Kistna Rajah Oodiaver Behauder as shall appear to him, the said Governor-general in Council, necessary to render the said funds efficient and available either in time of peace or war." It was further agreed that "whenever and so long as any part or parts of his said Highness's territories shall be placed, and shall remain under the exclusive authority and control of the said East India Company, the Governor-general in Council shall render to his Highness a true and faithful account of the revenues and produce of the territories so assumed." It was likewise stipulated that in no case whatever should "his Highness's actual receipts or annual income arising out of his territorial revenue be less than the sum of one lac of star pagodas, together with one-fifth of the net revenues of the whole of the territories ceded to him." Finally, his Highness promised to "pay at all times the utmost attention to such advice as the Company's Government shall occasionally judge it necessary to offer to him, with a view to the economy of his finances, the better collection of his revenues, the administration of justice, the extension of commerce, the encouragement of trade, agriculture, and industry, or any other objects connected with the advancement of his Highness's interests, the happiness of his people, and the mutual welfare of both States." This treaty, as stated in the preamble, was to be binding upon the contracting parties "as long as the sun and moon shall endure."

As the tender years of the Rajah incapacitated him from taking any part in public affairs, the actual administration was entrusted to a Brahmin, named Poorniah, who had been Finance Minister to the late Sultan, and was an adept in the collection of revenue. If a full treasury is an index of prosperity, Mysore, under his rule, ought to have been singularly prosperous; but Poorniah appears to have thought much more of accumulating money than of "developing the resources of the country." He was also fortunate in having large stores of sandalwood to dispose of; and thus, on his forced resignation in 1811, upwards of two millions sterling in hard cash were found in the royal coffers. The young prince, though only sixteen years of age, took the reins of government into his own hands, and, his education having been altogether neglected, things very soon went utterly to the bad. For twenty years a reckless and improvident system was carried on, without thought for either the prince or the people; but all this time the Madras

Government looked on supinely, only occasionally offering a feeble remonstrance. In 1830, however, a rebellion broke out in the north-western districts of Mysore, for the suppression of which the aid of the British troops was applied for and granted, according to the treaty. But this insurrection was converted into a justification of the assumption of the entire management of the country, although, so far from there being any apprehension of a failure in the funds destined for the pay of the troops, the subsidy was actually in advance. Lord William Bentinck, in after times, deeply regretted the hastiness with which he had acted with regard to Mysore, and more than once said that it was the only act of his Indian administration that he looked back upon with regret. Sir Charles Metcalfe also qualified the supersession of the Rajah as a "harsh and unprovoked" measure, and both he and Lord William were in favour of reinstating his Highness, care being taken that the country did not again fall into the hands of unprincipled administrators. The Court of Directors, however, were averse to any sudden cancellation of the sequestration of the country, although they expressed their desire that respect should be paid to native usages, and that no system should be introduced which could not be worked afterwards when the country was restored to the Rajah. That despatch was written in the autumn of 1835, and the country has not yet been restored, in spite of the urgent petitions of the Rajah to each successive Governor-general. The Home Government indeed—using Sir William Denison as their mouth-piece—affected to be puzzled as to the possibility of even placing his Highness in his former position, because no provision was made in the Treaty for such a contingency. And yet the Treaty clearly enough indicates that only a temporary occupation was ever contemplated, for it provides that *so long as any part or parts of the Mysore kingdom shall remain under the control of the Company's government, the Governor-general shall render to his Highness a true and faithful account of the revenue collected in his territories.* Lord Auckland was more reasonable, though particularly careful not to commit himself to any precise date for the restoration of the country to its rightful Prince. The administration, he wrote, was to remain on the existing footing until the arrangements for the good government of his Highness's territories should "have been so firmly established as to be secure from future disturbance." Twenty-nine years have elapsed since that intimation was given, but apparently the arrangements are not yet satisfactorily established.

And now it is pretended that the Rajah is excluded from the right of adoption

accorded to all the other Princes and chiefs of India ranking above a Jagheerदार, because his territories were not personally governed by him at the time of the proclamation of the Adoption Despatch. But if the treaty did not contemplate the reinstatement of the Rajah, if once superseded, nor the Adoption Despatch confer upon him the right to name an heir, how came it that Lord Canning was so anxious that his Highness should "bequeath his kingdom to the British Government?" If he had power to will away his territories, surely he had power to adopt an heir. The noble earl, however, attached great importance to the bequest of the country "in full sovereignty to the Crown, by the free will of the ruler, and in a spirit of loyal attachment to the British power." In truth, the Rajah has never been backward in testifying his "loyal attachment," and even Lord Canning sent him his "warm thanks" for the good services rendered by him during the critical period of the Indian mutiny. The only valid objection to the reinstatement of the Rajah lies in the fertility of his kingdom, and its general desirableness as a British possession. The spirit of annexation still sits in the Council Chamber, and perverts the judgment of otherwise upright and incorruptible statesmen. But there is one point which seems to have been overlooked by each successive Viceroy. If the native kingdom of Mysore, constituted in 1799 out of the joint spoils of the East India Company and the Nizam is to cease and determine on the death of his Highness, it is not the British Government alone that will come into the inheritance. The Nizam will certainly be entitled to reclaim his moiety, and if that claim be not allowed, her Majesty's Government will simply be guilty of a gross act of robbery and spoliation. But it cannot be that the British Parliament will carry its culpable indifference on the subject of Indian questions to such an extreme as to silently acquiesce in the absorption of this native kingdom. It would be an act that would shake all faith in the sincerity of the Queen's Proclamation, and would go far to undo all that has been done and won by the liberal policy inaugurated on the final suppression of the mutiny. And Parliament must do something more than record its votes. It must see that its decrees are carried into execution. It is useless to order the restoration of Mysore unless that order be executed. The principality of Dhar is still kept back from its lawful ruler, and so will it be with this fine table-land unless very peremptory injunctions are issued for its immediate restoration to its venerable Rajah.*

* For a fuller and more detailed history of this disgraceful case we refer our readers to "The Mysore Reversion, an Exceptional Case." By Major Evans Bell. Trubner and Co.

THE amount of specie despatched by the steamer *Pera*, on the 20th inst., was £16,027.

BOOKS.

Studies in Biography. By L. J. Trotter, late Captain 20th Bengal Fusiliers. Moxon and Co.

This clever and thoughtful volume of essays is the best practical refutation of Mr. Trevelyan's caricature of the British officer in India. It is abundantly manifest that Captain Trotter must have employed his leisure hours on something more useful and intellectual than *Bell's Life*, cigars, and brandy-panee. Even if his table were "rickety," his chairs "invalided," and his "couch with broken springs," it is clear as the sun at noonday that his shelves must have exhibited other works than *Aids to Faith*, or the "third volume of the *History of the Inductive Sciences*," though it is likely enough that he was familiarly conversant with both. Without affecting to throw any new light on the history and character of the great men whose lives he has made his study, Captain Trotter places clearly and forcibly before his readers the salient points in each, and has evidently spared no pains to arrive at a sound and impartial judgment. And he is one of the few who have learned to think for themselves. He does not blindly follow in the footsteps of any leader, but searches out a path for himself with patient diligence and a resolute oneness of purpose. His aim is the Truth, but the truth tempered by charity. In his eyes Mahomet is rather a mystic than an impostor—self-deceived rather than a wilful deceiver. If indignant with the arrogance of Becket, he can still make ample allowances for the exaggerations of party spirit and theological rancour, and honestly recognises the obligations our England of the present day is under to her Norman kings and barons. Yet more fiercely does his anger burn against the insatiable greed and overweening pride of the mediæval Popes, while his generous sympathies are as naturally enlisted on the side of the heroic but ill-fated grandson of Frederic Barbarossa, the greatest of the Hohenstaufens. Nor does the fervid zeal of Savonarola—priest, patriot, martyr—fail to make a deep impression on Captain Trotter's feelings and imagination. His language, always choice, scholarly, and appropriate, rises at times to real eloquence as he echoes the burning words of the Dominican. Reverencing the genius of Bacon, he nevertheless refuses to be dazzled by the illusive halo with which Mr. Hepworth Dixon has sought to encircle the brows of a fallen idol. The pure patriotism of William Pitt, and the wonderful influence he exercised over the British Parliament in the interests of his country, form the subject of another careful and instructive essay, and the pleasant octavo of memoirs closes with a light and graceful sketch of the brilliant wit, dramatist, and politician, Richard Brinsley Sheridan. It will be seen that there is no lack of variety in this handsomely got-up volume, and the manner is throughout worthy of the matter. In short, the eulogy passed by Captain Trotter upon Mr. William Muir may without flattery be applied to himself—"This author has lent new lustre to the

name of a service fruitful in men of high attainments."

MISCELLANEOUS.

DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR APPOINTMENTS.
—*Foreign-office, March 28.*—The Queen has been pleased to appoint Sir R. Alcock, K.C.B., now H.M.'s Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary and Consul-general in Japan, to be H.M.'s Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary, and also Chief Superintendent of British Trade in China. The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Sir H. S. Parkes, K.C.B., now H.M.'s Consul at Shanghai, to be H.M.'s Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary and Consul-general in Japan. The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint C. A. Winchester, Esq., now H.M.'s Consul at Kanagawa, to be H.M.'s Consul at Shanghai.

BILLS ON INDIA.—The biddings for £300,000 in bills on India took place on the 19th inst., at the Bank of England, but the amounts taken were only £27,000 on Calcutta and £3,500 on Madras. The minimum price was fixed at 1s. 11d. on Calcutta and Madras, and 1s. 11½d. on Bombay. Tenders on Calcutta and Madras at the minimum will receive in full. On Bombay all the tenders were below the minimum. These terms show another reduction of more than 1 per cent., and indicate a rapid subsidence of the demand for means of remittance to India in return for produce.

FAILURE OF MESSRS. BUCHANAN AND CO.—The failure was announced on the 20th inst., of a firm of old and high standing at Glasgow—Messrs. Buchanan, Hamilton, and Co., in the East India and China trade. Their direct liabilities are stated at £750,000, and their assets at £630,000; but as the latter in a great measure consist of distant consignments to be realised, it may be feared that some considerable reduction must be submitted to. The Eastern connections of the house are Messrs. Hamilton, Gray, and Co., at Singapore, and Messrs. Jarvie, Thorburn, and Co., at Shanghai, and the principal losses have been in rice and tea. The senior partner, Mr. Walter Buchanan, has for the past eight years represented Glasgow, his native city, in Parliament, and there has rarely been an instance of mercantile disaster which has been regarded with more regret.

COOLIES.—In the year 1864 467 immigrants into British Guiana returned to their own country, and took with them, or had remitted home for them through Government agency, £13,939. This includes £1,000, the estimated value of the jewels on their persons, and a draft for £494, which one coolie took with him. From British Guiana alone the amount thus taken home by 5,879 returning coolies in the last twenty-two years has exceeded £88,000. The total number of immigrants and liberated Africans arriving in the West India colonies in the twenty-two years has been 173,666, and in Mauritius 313,538. The return of 78,878 from Mauritius is recorded, and of 10,403 from British Guiana, Trinidad, and Jamaica.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, April 12. —The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamship *Ripon*, Captain J. M. Rogers, was despatched hence to-day for Gibraltar, Malta, and Alexandria, with the Bombay mails, a full cargo, and eight boxes of specie, jewelry, &c., value £14,852, viz.:—For Alexandria, silver coin, £170; watches, £170. For Bombay, bar gold, £80; gold coin, £2,350; jewelry, watches, &c., £12,082. The *Ripon* takes out 34 first and 32 second-class passengers, and 25 proceed by the corresponding steamer from Marseilles, making a total of 91. Among them are:—Captain Campbell, for Gibraltar; Mr. Warne, R.N., and Mr. S. Todd, R.N., for Malta; Lord Bute, Dr. Sewell, and Abdul Hemid Bey, for Alexandria; Major C. E.

Walcott and Captain A. L. Playfair, for Bombay, &c.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, April 20. —The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamship *Pera*, Captain T. Jamieson, sailed hence to-day with the Calcutta, China, and Australian mails, a full cargo, and 89 boxes of specie, jewelry, &c., value £22,301. 6s. consigned as under:—For Alexandria, jewelry, £180; for Mauritius, jewelry, £284; for Madras, gold coin, £372. 10s.; silver coin, 11s.; gold thread, jewelry, &c., £835. 10s.; For Calcutta, jewelry, £860. For Singapore, jewelry, £260. For Hong Kong, bar silver, £5,057. 1s. 8d.; dollars, £10,096. 13s. 4d.; watches, £225. For Shanghai, dollars, £500; For King George's Sound, watches, £150. For Hobson's Bay, watches and jewelry, £2,450. For Sydney jewelry, £1,030. The *Pera* takes out fifty-six first and twelve second-class passengers, and thirty-six proceed by the corresponding steamer from Marseilles, making a total of a hundred and four. Among them are Captain Holroyd and Lieutenant R. P. Hare, for Gibraltar; Commander G. Norcock, for Malta; Captain Chitty, for Alexandria; Captain Campbell, Surgeon Lewis, Rev. A. Walker, Ensign C. L. Allan, Lieutenant-General Sir G. Le Marchant, Sir Wilford Brett, Major and Mrs. Benson, for Madras; Captain Hill, Ensign C. Tuck, Surgeon Thompson, Assistant-Surgeon A. Hale, Lieutenant Norrie, Assistant-Surgeon D. Canny, Captain and Mrs. Napier Robinson, and Lieutenant J. R. Pearson, for Calcutta; Colonel Skyring, for Mauritius; Dr. A. B. Messer, R.N., for Hong Kong, &c.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 10. Devonshire, Moulmein.—13. Hotspur, Calcutta; Negotiator, Bombay.—17. Frederick, Moulmein.—18. John Watta, Moulmein.—19. Shannon, Calcutta.—20. Bienheim, Calcutta.

DEPARTURES.

April 10. Ellenborough, Calcutta.—13. Far East, Calcutta.—14. Mikado, Calcutta; Adelaide, Rangoon; Charger, Bombay.—17. Northern Empire, Calcutta.—20. Bintang, Singapore; Cameo, Bombay; Denis Horton, Bombay.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Overland Route, per str. *Pera*, April 20, from Southampton.—To Calcutta.—Ens. C. Tuck, Mrs. Ashworth and two children, Mrs. P. Maxwell, Surg. Thompson, Asst. surg. A. E. Hale, Ass. surg. D. J. Canny, M. S. Thompson, Mr. G. L. Kemp, Mrs. Campbell. To Madras.—Capt. Campbell, Mr. G. Rogers, Surg. Lewis, Rev. A. Walker, Ens. C. L. Allan. To ALEXANDRIA.—Capt. Chitty, Ismail Effendi.
Per str. *Poonah*, from Marseilles, April 24.—To Calcutta.—Capt. Darling, Lieut. Morris. To Madras.—Lieut. gen. S. G. Le Marchand, Sir Wilford Brett, Mr. Le Marchand, Maj. and Mrs. Benson, Capt. C. E. Bates.
Per str. *Morris*, April 19.—To ALEXANDRIA.—Messrs. Robinson, Evans, and Hordell. To Calcutta.—Col. Courtney.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

CORY—the wife of Arthur Cory, Captain H.M.'s Indian Army, of a daughter, at Stoke-house, Stoke Bishop, Gloucestershire, April 9.

CROSS—the wife of Lieut. colonel W. Cross, 38th Madras N.I., Retired, of a son, at Beccles, Suffolk, April 14.

LILLY—the wife of Captain A. C. Lilly, Madras Staff Corps, of a daughter, at 9, St. Peter's-terrace, Kensington-park, April 17.

MARRIAGES.

D'ARCY—RICHARDSON.—Charles Vessey D'Arcy, Lieutenant H.M.'s late Indian Navy, to Adelaide Jane, daughter of the late Thomas Richardson, Esq., at St. Anne's Church, Dublin, April 12.

FORDE—CALLANDER.—The Rev. Arthur F. Forde, Incumbent of Twigworth, Gloucester, son of the late Arthur Nicholas Forde, Esq., H.E.I.Co.'s Service, to Catherine S. Lilla, daughter of the late John Callander, Esq., at St. Mary's, Kilburn, April 18.

SLADEN—GATES.—Joseph Sladen, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, to Augusta St. John, eldest daughter of Joseph St. John Gates, Esq., of Wellbank, Sandbach, Cheshire, at the Parish Church, Sandbach, April 19.

SWINDELL—LEWIS.—John S. Swindell, Esq., of Cambridge, to Agnes Anne, daughter of John Lewis, Esq., R.M.L.I., at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Gosport, April 15.

TUCKER—BUTCHER.—John Henry, eldest son of the Rev. John Kingsman Tucker, Rector of Pettah, Suffolk, to Margaret Isabella, second daughter of Lieut. colonel James E. Butcher, Madras Army, at St. Paul's, Clifton, April 19.

VALENTINE—GRIEVE.—Captain Edward Valentine, 109th Regiment, to Charlotte F., daughter of W. R. Grieve, Esq., at St. Mary's Church, Kilburn, April 19.

DEATHS.

BROWNE—Susan H., the wife of Major general Browne, C.B., H.M.'s Indian Army, at 3, Higher-terrace, Torquay, April 13.

DAWSON—Lieut. William Walker Dawson, H.M.'s late Indian Navy, at Margate, aged 33, April 13.

GOODEVE—Nancy, wife of Dr. Edward Goodeve, Surgeon major H.M.'s Bengal Army, at Drinach, Stoke Bishop, near Bristol, aged 50, April 10.

GRITTON—Herbert, son of the Rev. John Gritton, Missionary, of Madras, at Wendover, Bucks, aged 15 months, April 19.

HEWETT—Alexander F., only child of A. F. Hewett, Esq., late of Calcutta, at Canonbury, London, aged 10 months 9 days, April 16.

HURLOCK—Annie C., infant daughter of Lieut. R. G. Hurlock, I.N., at Stratford, aged 8½ months, April 9.

TOWNSEND—Stephen Townsend, a retired Colonel of the H.E.I.C.S., Madras Establishment, at 48, Mortimer-street, Cavendish-square, April 17.

WORCESTER—Anna Maria, the wife of J. R. Worcester, Esq., at 20, Brunswick-terrace, Brighton, deeply regretted, aged 42, April 11.

India Office,

April 21, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Surg. major F. Douglas, Med. Estab.; Major G. Hamilton, Staff Corps; Major G. A. Houchen, Staff Corps; Major J. Tickell, Staff Corps; Surg. major C. Archer, Med. Estab.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. E. R. Bradford, Staff Corps; Capt. T. R. Church, Staff Corps; Lieut. A. M. Black, Inf.; Capt. J. L. Ferrers, 3rd L.C.; Dep. Insp. gen. of Hospitals J. H. Orr, Med. Estab.; Major C. Hight, 8th N.I.; Surg. major R. R. Suttleff, Med. Estab.

Bombay Estab.—Major A. T. Etheridge, Staff Corps; Lieut. W. Merriman, Engrs.; Capt. J. L. Sheppard, Staff Corps; Major W. Walker, 1st N.I.; Surg. J. G. Fraser, Med. Estab.; Capt. W. Banerman, 3rd N.I.; Major T. Thatcher, Staff Corps.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. W. J. Cochrane, 68th N.I., 6 mo.; Capt. A. D. Jennings, 2nd Cav., 6 mo.; Major R. T. Leigh, Staff Corps, 3 mo.; Capt. M. A. Orchard, 8rd Eur. Regt., 6 mo.; Lieut. G. N. Chamier, Inf., 3 mo.; Surg. major G. E. Givins, Med. Estab., 3 mo.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. F. B. Middleton, 21st N.I., 6 mo.; Major G. T. Dick, 3rd N.I., 6 mo.; Capt. F. W. Phillips, 22nd N.I., 6 mo.; Major G. W. Whitehead, 23rd N.I., 2 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Surg. J. Welsh, Med. Estab., 6 mo.; Asst. surg. A. Adey, Med. Estab., 6 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Capt. J. Watts, Engrs.; Lieut. C. Barnett, 19th N.I.; Lieut. C. W. Campbell, Cav. *Madras Estab.*—Capt. W. R. Mesham, Staff Corps; Lieut. J. E. Swinton, 26th N.I.; Asst. surg. H. R. Handyside, Med. Estab. *Bombay Estab.*—Lieut. col. H. J. Barr, Staff Corps.

PERMITTED TO RETIRE.

MILITARY.

Bombay Estab.—Capt. F. Stephens, 1st L.C.; Asst. surg. R. Boxwell, Med. Estab.

OPIMUM.—At the Calcutta Opium Sale on the 10th March each chest of the Behar drug fetched an average of Rs. 872.9 and of Benares Rs. 806.12.

LIST OF H.M.'s BRITISH REGIMENTS STATIONED IN INDIA.

CORRECTED TO THE 12TH APRIL, 1864.

	Where Stationed.	Station of Depots.	Date of going on Foreign Service.
BENGAL.			
2nd Dragoon Guards	Benares	Canterbury	25 July, 1857
7th " "	Muttra	Canterbury	15 October, 1857
5th Lancers	Lucknow	Canterbury	28 July, 1863
7th Hussars	Kamelpore	Maidstone	27 August, 1857
19th " "	Meerut	Maidstone	
20th " "	Sealkote	Canterbury	
21st " "	Umballah	Canterbury	
1st Batt. 7th Foot	Ferozepore	Walmer	20 July, 1857
1st " 11th "	Fyzabad	Cork	16 July, 1864
2nd " 12th "	Seetapore	Chatham	19 July, 1864
1st " 19th "	Jullundar	Chatham	21 July, 1857
1st " 20th "	Roorkee	Chatham	6 August, 1857
1st " 23rd "	Agra	Walmer	23 May, 1857
27th Regt. "	Dinapore	Cork	5 July, 1864
34th " "	Seetapore	Colchester	8 August, 1857
35th " "	Fyzabad	Chatham	31 July, 1854
36th " "	Lucknow	Athlone	1 August, 1863
38th " "	Delhi	Colchester	4 August, 1857
42nd " "	Dugshaie	Stirling	15 August, 1857
46th " "	Shahjehanpore	Buttevant	12 October, 1854
51st " "	Nowshera	Chatham	7 October, 1857
54th " "	Benares	Colchester	5 August, 1857
55th " "	Hazareebaugh	Preston	10 November, 1863
58th " "	Benares	Belfast	18 July, 1864
77th " "	Allahabad	Chatham	17 June, 1857
79th " "	Rawul Pindee	Stirling	10 August, 1857
80th " "	Jhansie	Buttevant	25 July, 1856
82nd " "	Subathoo	Canterbury	20 May, 1857
88th " "	Cawnpore	Colchester	15 July, 1857
90th " "	Meean Meer	Canterbury	15 April, 1857
91st " "	Jubbulpore	Chatham	14 December, 1854
93rd " "	Sealkote	Aberdeen	6 June, 1857
94th " "	Kussowlie	Chatham	8 December, 1857
97th " "	Saugor	Colchester	6 August, 1857
98th " "	Umballah	Canterbury	3 October, 1857
101st " "	Rawul Pindee	Chatham	
104th " "	Bareilly	Parkhurst	
107th " "	Lucknow	Fermoy	
2nd Battalion Rifle Brigade... ..	Meerut	Winchester	9 August, 1857
3rd " "	Peshawur	Winchester	26 July, 1857
Royal Artillery.			
A Horse Brigade (2 Batteries) ...	Meerut	Woolwich and Warley	
C Horse Brigade (4 Batteries) ...	Meerut		
F " "	Umballah		
11th Foot " "	Lucknow		
16th " "	Barrackpore		
19th " "	Peshawur		
22nd " "	Morar, Gwalior		
24th " "	Lahore		
25th " "	Benares		
MADRAS.			
1st Dragoon Guards	Bangalore	Canterbury	24 August, 1857
18th Hussars	Bangalore	Canterbury	18 June, 1864
1st Battalion 1st Foot	Kamptee	Colchester	28 July, 1857
2nd " 10th "	Madras	Chatham	11 January, 1860
1st " 18th "	Secunderabad	Buttevant	12 November, 1857
2nd " 19th "	Tonghoo	Chatham	24 August, 1863
2nd " 21st "	Bellary	Birr	11 July, 1863
3rd Battalion 60th Rifles	Rangoon	Winchester	15 August, 1857
76th Regiment Foot	Fort St. George	Belfast	23 October, 1863
102nd " "	Cannanore	Chatham	
105th " "	Wellington	Pembroke	
108th " "	Secunderabad	Fermoy	
Royal Artillery.			
D Horse Brigade	Bangalore	Woolwich and Warley	
17th Foot " "	Madras		
20th " "	Kamptee		
23rd " "	Secunderabad		
BOMBAY.			
3rd Dragoon Guards	Ahmednuggur	Canterbury	19 August, 1857
6th Light Dragoons	Mhow	Maidstone	7 July, 1858
1st Battalion 4th Foot	Poona	Chatham	23 May, 1857
33rd Regiment Foot	Poona	Parkhurst	28 July, 1864
44th " "	Belgaum	Fermoy	4 February, 1857
45th " "	Bombay	Colchester	29 August, 1857
56th " "	Deesa	Colchester	27 August, 1857
72nd " "	Poona	Aberdeen	22 October, 1857
95th " "	Kurrachee	Fermoy	25 June, 1857
103rd " "	Mhow	Canterbury	
106th " "	Nusseerabad	Birr	
109th " "	Aden	Cork	
Royal Artillery.			
E Horse Brigade	Kirkee	Woolwich and Warley	
14th Foot " "	Ahmedabad		
18th " "	Kurrachee		
21st " "	Mhow		

INDIA EXCHANGES.

BANK AND COMMERCIAL BILLS.

	60 days' sight.	80 days' sight.		60 days' sight.	80 days' sight.
Calcutta	1s. 10d.	1s. 10d.	Singapore	4s. 7d.	4s. 7d.
Madras	1s. 10d.	1s. 10d.	Hong Kong	4s. 7d.	4s. 7d.
Bombay	1s. 10d.	1s. 10d.	Shanghai	4s. 7d.	4s. 7d.
Colombo	par	1s. 10d.			

STOCKS AND SECURITIES.

Shares.		Paid	Prices.
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	India Stock, 1874		217½ to 218
	India 5 per cent.		106½ to 7½
	India 4 per cent.		99½
	India 4 per cent. 1888		99½
	India Enforced Paper 4 pr. ct.		89
	India 5 p. ct. Enforced Paper		102 to 103
	India Stock, Enforced Paper, 5 per cent.		109 to 110
	India Stock Debentures 185		95½
	India Stock Debentures 185		116
	" " " 1863		99½
	" " " 1864		99½
	" " " 1864 or 1865		99½
	India Debentures, do., £1,000		3 dis.
	India 5 per cent. for account		105
	India 5 per cent., 1870		107½ to 107
	India 4 per cent. 1888		99½
	India Loan Scrip 5 per cent		104½
	India Bonds, 4 p. ct. (£1,000)		15s. pm.
	India Bonds (£1,000)		15s. to 15s. pm.
	Ditto (under £1,000)		16s.
RAILWAYS.			
Stock	Bombay, Baroda, and Central India (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	102½ to 103½
90	Ditto F Shares	2	par to 4 pm.
Stock	Calcutta & S. Eastern (lim)	100	99 to 101
Stock	Eastern Bengal (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	102 to 104
Stock	East Indian	100	104 to 105
20	Ditto J. Extension	10	to 2
Stock	G. I. Peninsula (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	104 to 105
20	Ditto (New ditto)	12	4 to 5 pm.
20	Ditto, New	2	4 to 4 pm.
Stock	Great S. of India (Lim.) Scrip	100	101½ to 102½
Stock	Ditto 4½ p. c.	2	
Stock	Madras (guar. 4½ per ct.)	100	91
Stock	Ditto 5 per cent.	100	101½ to 102½
Stock	Ditto (guar. 4½ per cent.)	100	82 to 91
20	5th Extension	2	1½
Stock	Scinde 5 per cent.	100	101½ to 102½
Stock	Ditto Indus Steam Flotilla (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	97
Stock	Ditto Delhi gua. 5 p. ct.	all	101 to 102
20	Ditto	2	4 d. par
Stock	Punjab (5 per ct.)	100	101½ to 102½
BANKS.			
100	Agarwal Masterman's (L.)	50	119 to 120
50	Do., New issue	25	59 to 60
50	Do. issue at 30 pm.	25	60 to 62
20	Asiatic Banking Corp., new issue, £15 pm., on which £7. 10s. has been paid	2½	11 to 12
40	Australasia	all	71
40	New	all	68 to 70
25	Bank of Egypt	all	30 to 32
20	Chart. of Ind., Aus., & China	all	29
25	Ditto, New	all	
	Chart. Merc. of India, London and China	all	52 to 54
	New	12½	
25	Commercial Bank of India	all	35 to 37
100	Hindustan, China, & Japan	25	5 to 3
100	Do. New issue at 2 pm.	25	5 to 3
100	New Issue at 6 pm., of which 1 pd.	15	6 to 4
50	Imp. Bank of China, India, and Japan		
20	Land Mortgage Bank of India	4	4 to 1 pm.
25	Oriental Bank Corporation	all	53 to 55
20	Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi	10	1 d. par.
20	Ditto New	7½	2 pm.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
5	Bombay Gas	all	52 to 62
5	Second issue	3	4 to 1½
5	Third issue	1	
20	British Indian Tea	14	1½ to 1½ d.
	E. Assam Tea (Lim.)	1	1 d. to 1 pm.
20	Ceylon	7	2½ to 3½
50	Credit Foncier of Mauritius	10	4½ to 5½ dis.
20	East India Irr. & Can.	10	3 to 2 dis.
5	E. I. Financial	7½	4 d. par
20	Indian Carrying (Lim.)	2	par to 1 pm.
20	Mauritius Land Credit (Lim.)	10	4 pm.
20	Madras Irrig. and Canal	all	30 to 31
20	Do.	all	8 to 6
10	Mediterran. Ext. Tel. (Lim.)	2	1 d. par.
20	Nerbudda Coal and Iron	5	1 d. par.
20	Do. New	1	4 d. par.
10	North Assam Tea (Lim.)	7	4 to 1½ pm.
20	Oriental Commercial	10	7 to 8 dis.
50	Oriental Financial	all	1½ to 1½
1	Oriental Gas	all	4 to 1 pm.
1	Do. New	all	2½ to 3
10	Oriental Inland Steam A. (L.)	all	81 to 86
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DATES OF ADVICES.

Bengal.....	March 22	Burmah (Rangoon)	March 8
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Mails to India and China, via Marseilles, are despatched from London as follows, viz.:—Those for Bombay packets, on the evening of the 3rd and 18th of each month; and those for Calcutta packets (including mails for Ceylon, Madras, and China), on the evenings of the 10th and 26th of each month. When any of these dates falls on a Sunday, the mails are made up on the following evening.

Letters and Newspapers can be forwarded to any part of India, via Bombay and Marseilles, and in most cases will reach their destination some days sooner than if despatched by the following Calcutta mail. The Bombay mails via Southampton, however, are no longer available for the transmission of Letters or Newspapers to the Madras Presidency.

Mails for the Mediterranean, and all parts of India and China, except the Bombay Presidency, are despatched via Southampton on the mornings of the 4th and 20th, or, when either of these dates falls on Sunday, upon the previous evening.

Mails for the Mediterranean, the Presidency of Bombay, and Upper or North-West Provinces of Bengal and China, are despatched via Southampton on the 12th and 27th of the month, except when these dates fall on Sunday, in which case they are forwarded on the previous evening.

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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

WE have received our usual Calcutta papers up to the 22nd of March, while our news from Madras comes down to the 28th of that month.

Considerable uneasiness appears to pervade the mercantile communities in all three Presidencies, and from Madras we learn the failure of the highly respectable firm of Messrs. Line and Co. The recent intelligence from America is likely to cause a still further depression in the price of both exports and imports, though some time must elapse before any very considerable supplies of really good cotton can be regularly obtained from the United States.

Among the passengers to Madras per steamer *Mooltan* we observe the name of Sir Hugh Rose, who is now at last on his way to Europe, whither he has been banished by the Indian press about once a quarter for the last three years. A careful review of his Excellency's career will probably appear in our next issue.

The old rumour is revived as to the intention of the Indian Government to establish an official journal, to be called the *Calcutta Times*. Mr. Talboys Wheeler is spoken of as the editor, and a better man for the post could not be found anywhere. It is said that he will be assisted by civilian and military collaborators, and there can be no question as to the abundance of literary talent available for such a purpose in both branches of the Indian service. We sincerely hope that this rumour may be well founded, for the desirableness of a direct means of communication between a despotic Government and its subjects has long been manifest.

The opening of the Lahore and Mooltan Railway, which was announced to take place on the 20th March, has been postponed to the 10th of the present month—the local management being properly averse to making a false start.

The Duke of Brabant, whose tour through Upper India caused so much excitement among all classes of society illuminated by the presence of his Royal

Highness, has reached Hong Kong in good health and spirits. The Prince is the honoured guest of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson, and Co., as the Government House was not in a fit state to receive the heir apparent to a European throne,—Sir Hercules Robinson being on the point of starting for Ceylon, where he arrived on the 30th March.

OUTWARD CALCUTTA AND CHINA MAILS.

GIBRALTAR, April 25.

The *Pera*, from Southampton on the 20th inst., reached Gibraltar this day at one A.M., and left at nine A.M. for Alexandria.

PEOPLE'S PARK.—The subjoined statement will give our readers an idea of the popularity the People's Park enjoys. The zoological branch is continually receiving accessions to its already interesting collection, and the whole arrangements of the park are now gradually developing into completion, that day after day an amazingly large number of visitors resort to it. It was thought that a *bona fide* estimate of the number of visitors to the park might interest the public, and on Sunday last peons were stationed at each of the four entrance gates, and enjoined to reckon the exact number of persons entering the park. The following is the result:—

Salt Cotaur Gate..	2,948
General Hospital Gate ..	6,000
Vepery Gate...	5,265
Bear Cage Small Gate...	2,543

Total number of visitors on Sunday from 10 A.M. to 8 1/2 P.M. ... 16,756

—*Madras Athenæum*, March 27.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

MADRAS.—Henry Acton, Esq., late of the 4th Madras Cavalry, eldest son of Henry Acton, Esq., late of H.M.'s 12th Lancers, at Ramsgate, April 16. Maj. gen. W. Halpin, H.M.'s Madras Army, at 54, Belaise-park, aged 60, April 25.

Passengers by the present Mail.

FOR MARSEILLES.—From CALCUTTA.—Mrs. A. Thomson and two children, Hon. S. Mayne, Mr. and Mrs. Willock and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Lellie and two children, Mr. Cowie and friend, Miss Rose, Capt. Lindsay, Miss Napier, Mr. Petroni-ki, Mr. Lee, Lieut. Ward, Maj. Wilkie, Mr. Leach, Capt. Sewell, Mr. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Miss Plaskett and two infants, Maj. Rawlin, Mr. Elliott, Col. and Mrs. Vesey, Mr. and Mrs. Toulmin, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Griffiths, Rev. H. Burney, Mr. Moran, Mr. Williamson, Mr. Cummu, Capt. Morgan, Lieut. Young, Dr. Cleminger, Lieut. Oiphaan, Mr. McLean.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. Delhi.—From CALCUTTA.—Mrs. Ferris and two infants, Capt. Hon. Fraser, Mr. Murray, Mrs. Hannah and infant, Mrs. Brooks and two infants, Mrs. Dowling and infant, Mrs. Johnson and child, Mr. and Mrs. Walls and two children, Paymaster-serg. Mitchell, Mr. James, Maj. Nixon, Maj. and Mrs. Cleveland and infant, Mrs. Chalmers and child, Dr. McLean, Mr. Morans, Mrs. McTiche and three children, Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. Ashdown, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Bainbridge, Mr. H. Barnett, Maj. and Mrs. Fitzgerald and six children. From MADRAS.—Maj. Butherford and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Lieut. and Mrs. Brereton, Dr. Arnold, Col. Strachy's three children, Lieut. Budd.

BENGAL.

THE NATIVE CHIEFS AND THE SUPREME GOVERNMENT.

The Meywar chiefs seem to be growing every day more insolent and insubordinate in their communications and connection with the European officials. We have already reported several instances in which the chiefs of Central India have not appeared in a very loyal or advantageous aspect. Ever since Lord Elgin's action in the Oodypore affair drew attention to the doings of the men, who under the present arrangements are no better than an incubus on the energies and prosperity of a glorious country, the chiefs have been constantly before the public in a more or less unfavourable light. The attack on Colonel Eden's house indicated the passive dislike of the chiefs as much as the more active disaffection of their tenantry. It would seem to have marked a point of departure in a career of insubordination which should be promptly and sternly checked. If we cannot allow European officials to be treated with disrespect or insult in Bhootan, a foreign and independent state, still less can we permit subjects of the Queen, no matter how high their rank, to forget what is due to those who may have the honour of representing her. Very recently the Major-General commanding the Mhow division, whilst passing through Meywar, was waited upon, as usual, by the officers of the chief. Their behaviour was, however, far from respectful. Taking advantage of some question of the supply of necessities, they offered the General what can only be considered an insult of a very grave character. We believe the matter either has been, or will be, reported to the Supreme Government. We hope it will be taken notice of in a way to prevent such scandals for the future. The followers of the native chiefs must be taught a lesson which shall have a good effect in every Court in India. Whilst on this subject we may mention that we have heard of a case very similar to that of the Meer of Kotah. The Jagheerdars of Gurgaon in the Punjab, impressed, as they said, with an idea of the certainty of the advent of Imam Mehndee, thought it best to take the precautionary measures in time, and so built a tower which might answer as many useful purposes as the Peel of the Anglo-Scottish borders. The authorities, however, took, as usual, a different view, the builders were arrested, and their handiwork levelled with the ground. It was discovered that the work was a defensive one; and as there is nothing, or was nothing in the law to prevent the erection of defensive works, the Government were under the necessity of allowing the excuse, and the Jagheerdars escaped. A native clings to the idea of a fort: it is to him an asylum and the foundation of his greatness at the same time. In Indian history it is curious to see how quickly every man who determined to throw for power sought out a site, and built him a fort. The possession of a fort at once advanced him to the dignity of a territorial lord, and not unfrequently elevated him to the prouder rank of a native prince. In Oudh the possession of such retreats by the Talookdars would in a few years, and supposing the English had not intervened, have converted them from mere wealthy land-owners into independent chiefs and princes. A man, we will say, like Maun Singh would soon have achieved independence of the sway of a Wajid Ally, and would have transmitted to his son an acknowledged claim to be considered in some way entitled to the exercise of sovereign rights. The destruction of the forts has done more to pacify Oudh than the presence of an army would have done, and this brings us to the consideration of the question whether the dismantling of the forts, which ought to be a natural consequence of our policy, would not be the most effectual way of teaching the rajahs and chiefs of Central

India the reality of their dependence on the Crown of England and India. With forts at their disposal, and with a warlike and soldierly race at their back, they are always in a position to give us trouble, even whilst to do so would be fatal to themselves, and not very dangerous to the Power they would rashly brave. A fort is a visible sign of sovereign rights which might have been tolerated by a weak Power like that of the Kings of Delhi, but which is as incompatible with the present state of India as the existence of the Rhine castles in all their feudal power would be in the present state of Germany. Fortresses should be condemned throughout India, except at certain strategic points where they could be held by British garrisons. India now-a-days has nothing to fear from plundering Pindaries or reckless Rohillas. The Mahrattas no longer sweep from one side of the peninsula to the other, nor do native chiefs any longer summon their followers to minister to their ambition or their revenge. Walled towns and forts are needless, and are likely to serve only as rallying points for the disaffected. All Indian towns should be open towns, except such as Allahabad, Agra, and Delhi, and even these should be defended rather by forts distinct from the city than by long lines of fortifications converting the whole place into a fortress. There are not wanting signs to show that our policy towards Rajpootana and the native chiefs generally requires changing, and when this comes to be re-considered, we trust the question of allowing any subject of her Majesty to vaunt himself in the possession of an armed and defensible residence will not be overlooked.—*Hurkaru.*

A SPECIMEN OF NATIVE RULE.

Central India must be a very happy place, and a very desirable locality for the pitching of one's tent. It is not so much the exactions of the chiefs, or the rogueries of their kardars which make a residence there a penance of a somewhat severe description, as the absence of a strong central power in any one of the so-called states, able to restrain the passions and impulses of the mob. The vagaries of despotism are familiar to an Indian mind, and are matters of every-day experience to the fortunate dwellers beyond the pale of the British law. But in Central India despotism would seem to retain only its vacillation and wilfulness, whilst losing all its directness of action, and its concentrated strength. Bheels and dacoits infest the roads, as a matter of course, and as they can always shelter behind one chief from the wrath of another, it is practically no one's business to bring them to punishment, or to undeceive them as to their being able to rob and murder with impunity. Then, again, riches seem to be acquired only to rouse the cupidity of the Durbar, or the envy and hatred of all one's neighbours, and the Rajah or Nawab enjoys the exalted privilege of borrowing at pleasure from his people, taking their money and conferring an honour at the same time. A disturbance took place recently in Bhopal which will show the beautiful way in which, if occasion demand it, chiefs and kardars can work into each other's hands. The Hindoo inhabitants had constructed a temple, for the worship of Shiva; the work was carried on without interruption, and a considerable sum was expended upon it by reason of the confidence experienced by the Shivites of their being able to perform the ceremonies of their religion without molestation. When the temple was finished, and when the rites of Shiva had been duly complied with a few times, the Mahomedans discovered the clang of the gongs, and the wailing of the conches to be an insufferable noise, an affront to Islamism, and a contempt of the holy precepts of the Koran. They had doubly sinned, by allowing a heathen temple to be built, and by permitting it to be used when completed. The Hindoos

offended the fine sense of his religious duties, which always distinguishes a follower of the prophet, and grievously assailed his ears at the same time. The worship of Shiva was bad enough when carried on under their very noses, but to this offence, sufficiently grave as it undoubtedly must have been, was added the irritating worry of a dreadful noise kept up with the most cheerful energy, and the most joyous perseverance. This combination horrified the Moslems, and placed their fault before their eyes in an aspect at once novel and convincing. By destroying the temple they would be serving God, and securing their own ease and peace at one and the same time. They, therefore, rushed full of contrition, and full of woe, to the native authorities, and preferred a complaint, which wound up with a petition for the removal of the temple. The representation was successful, and the order was issued by the native Government for its destruction on religious grounds. Such an order would anywhere in India be certain to lead to a riot, if not worse. The Moslems armed themselves for the work of destruction, the Hindoos armed themselves for the task of protection. The fracas would have assumed serious proportions, as throughout the Bhopal territory the people were at one wave of the sceptre converted into two camps, one determined upon doing honour to the true faith, the other resolved upon withstanding persecution. As usual, however, a British officer was quickly on the spot, and after great exertions and some difficulty the people were quieted, and the resident then had the unpleasant duty of representing the matter to the Begum Qaadnessa. In reply to the question why she had ordered the destruction of the temple, she remarked that irrespective of the question of religion it had been constructed without her consent. This was intended to close the discussion, but Englishmen consider the chief bound by the doings of his officers, and the Begum was therefore told, "it must have been erected by the permission of your kardars, and you are therefore not acting legally to order its destruction!" After some talk the lady was convinced, and the order recalled, when according to Eastern custom the disturbance was quashed as if by magic!—*Hurkaru.*

MISCELLANEOUS.

CONVERSION.—A Mahomedan of education and position has been converted in Nagpore. His name is Sufdar Ali, and it is doubly creditable to him that he became partly convinced by self-examination. At this stage he began as it were to struggle with himself to arrive at the truth,—as a drowning man struggles to the surface of the waters,—and finding himself beset with the difficulties of the narrow way he sent all the way to Benares for a Christian friend,—also a native by birth,—and, with his aid, arrived at the goal of his researches; and, in accordance with his own wishes, that he should be baptized by immersion on Christmas-day, he was baptized into the Christian faith by the Rev. E. Champion, the Church of England Missionary located at that station. Moulvee Sufdar Ali is the Deputy-inspector of Schools at Jubbulpore, and he has succeeded in converting a native schoolmaster to Christianity also. The Moulvee, who, a short time back, was highly respected by his brethren in consequence of his gentlemanly bearing and education, is now discarded by most, his own wife having deserted him.—*Hurkaru.*

THE REWAH STATE.—We learn from the *Pioneer* that Lulloo Singh, friend and protégé of the Rajah of Rewah, has just murdered the only son of the faithful Rajah Dyah, who did so much for breaking up the notorious gang of dacoits and mutineers which, under Ruttun Singh, the father of Lulloo, so long infested the borders of our territory.

COOLY IMMIGRATION.—The demand for emigrants for the colonies and the tea districts has clashed with the demand for labourers by the railways, and the public works in Bengal, and it would seem that the supply had been to a certain extent checked. Contractors have found the rates rising, men getting scarce, and their profits getting beautifully less, as it became slowly apparent that the tea districts had only entered upon their demands upon the labour markets of the outlying districts of the lower provinces. Some adventurous spirits resolved in this state of things to strike out a new line for themselves, and to go to the mountain, albeit that it was planted beyond the limits of districts benefited by the Immigration Act. A descent was made upon the neighbouring districts of the N.W.P., and men found in numbers who were willing to tempt fortune by a trip to Assam or *Meritch*. When, however, acting upon the *dustoor* in Bengal, the recruiter took his gang of labourers to the magistrate, he found to his disgust that official flatly refused to register the coolies, or to have anything whatever to do with the matter. The magistrate of Azimghur did not, of course, feel himself bound by the Acts of the Bengal Council, and he, in the absence of any immigration law for the North-West, was perfectly justified in the line he adopted. His decision, however, has given rise to the question whether recruiting operations under Act III. of 1863 can legally be carried on in districts out of Bengal. As far as the North-West is concerned, the law is altogether silent on the point, and in the absence of any specific provision on the subject, there is nothing to prevent the recruiting of labourers for Assam in the North-Western Provinces. When, however, the men have been gathered, and have reached a Bengal district on the way, they are met by Act III., which first of all requires the recruiter to produce his licence, and next compels him to enter into an engagement with his recruits in that district, and to register them there with all formality. Some contractors recruited emigrants for British Guiana in the Azimghur division, but found their proceedings checked by the refusal of the magistrate to register the coolies. The matter was referred to the Bengal Government, and Mr. Beadon observed that whilst, under Sec. 30 of the Act, registration is compulsory, and to refuse it is practically to suspend the Act, yet no registration by a magistrate of the North-Western Provinces would have any legal value in Bengal. Mr. Beadon considers that it is hardly worth while to legislate on the subject, as the difficulty may be got over by the Government N.W.P. permitting recruiters to collect labourers in the provinces under its control for Assam or the Colonies, with a view to their being registered in the nearest district of Bengal.—*Hurkaru*.

COL. WALKER, R.E., superintendent of the Great Trigonometrical Survey, has returned to England, authorised to commence pendulum experiments in connection with the astronomical and geological operations of the Great Indian Arc, for determining the absolute values of the three magnetic elements at the Indian stations. He was assisted with instructions by the Royal Society, and has deputed Captain Bas-vi, R.E., who took lessons at home, to open the work.

JUBBULPORE SCHOOL OF INDUSTRY.—For some time past the public have ceased to hear of this institution, whose name had become associated with the manufacture of "superior kyanised tents" by a respectable and thriving colony of rogues and thieves. We learn its days are at last numbered. A central jail is to be formed at Jubbulpore, which will absorb the "school," with its inmates; and Major Ranken, who is in charge of the latter, will become available for other employment.

PAPER CURRENCY.—The following statement of the Note Circulation on March 4 in the Bengal and Bombay Circles and 25th Feb. in the Madras Circle, shows a considerable increase in gold coin reserve:—

	Gold Coin Reserve.	Government Securities held in Calcutta.	Silver Bullion Reserve.	Silver Coin Reserve.	Notes in Circulation.	Circles of Issue.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Calcutta Circle	5,08,420	1,38,63,145	46,00,000	1,01,28,355	2,90,94,920	Calcutta Circle
Allahabad Branch Circle	890	7,00,003	...	10,72,897	17,73,650	Allahabad Branch Circle
Lahore Branch Circle	16,980	6,00,045	...	7,80,065	13,96,090	Lahore Branch Circle
Nagpore Branch Circle	80	1,49,927	...	7,78,403	9,28,410	Nagpore Branch Circle
Madras Circle	...	35,03,803	...	18,96,137	54,00,000	Madras Circle
Calcutt Branch Circle	...	...	...	1,18,640	1,18,640	Calcutt Branch Circle
Trichinopoly Branch Circle	...	...	...	2,36,180	2,36,180	Trichinopoly Branch Circle
Vizagapatam Branch Circle	...	...	...	1,13,450	1,13,450	Vizagapatam Branch Circle
Bombay Circle	...	1,70,28,009	25,00,000	1,50,71,991	3,46,00,000	Bombay Circle
Deduct—	5,20,170	3,57,45,052	71,00,000	3,01,96,118	7,35,61,340	
Notes of other Circles cashed at Head Office	...	...	...	40,540	40,540	
Total	5,20,170	8,57,45,052	71,00,000	3,01,96,578	7,35,20,800	

FLOODING OF THE JUMNA.—We are informed that at Delhi, on the 5th March, the Jumna had risen three feet nine inches in a few hours, and that it was still rising when the telegram was despatched. This might, under certain circumstances, contain a formidable menace for the Jumna Bridge works here. The highest floods at Delhi, which correspond to a rise of forty-five or fifty feet at Allahabad, seldom exceed seven feet, so that the late rise of three and three-fourths feet there would represent, in the height of the rains, a rise here of fifteen or twenty feet—quite enough seriously to delay the completion of the railway bridge. But we are, luckily, not in the rains, and we have a staunch friend in evaporation. M. Babinet (de l'Institut) lately calculated that not a drop of the Seine's water, as seen at Paris, survives to pass the bridge at Mantes. The whole volume has been evaporated, and the stately Seine, as it appears at Mantes, is entirely the produce of tributaries. Were the Jumna to receive no reinforcements on this side of Delhi, its bed would be dry here, notwithstanding the formidable rise registered there. The question of danger depends on the level of the several affluences of the Jumna above Allahabad, as that level depends upon the extension and continuousness of the late rains. But, though showers have, no doubt, fallen almost everywhere, we do not apprehend that the rain-fall has been so widespread or lasting as to do much more than satisfy the demands of evaporation. We shall be surprised if the rise here is of more than six or seven feet; at any rate, since, at the present velocity of the stream, the flood will take more than nine days to traverse the course from Delhi to Allahabad, our railway engineers will have had time to take precautions against any great disaster.—*Pioneer*.

TONK.—Abdool Kureem Khan, brother of the late Nawab of Tonk, has preferred a claim to the chieftainship of that district. The Government, however, has already bestowed it on Mahomed Ally Khan, so that Abdool Kureem's ambition has manifested itself too late. The allowance of Rs. 12,500 per mensem enjoyed by the late Nawab does not pass on to his successor, but ceased with his death.

DHAR.—During the British administration of this State the project was conceived of constructing a road leading from the city of Dhar to the Bombay and Agra road, in the direction of the Nerbudda river, in place of the existing track across the Vindhya mountains, which was almost impassable for any vehicle but those of very light burden, whilst the call for a good highway was urgent, since Dhar lies on the direct route between Rajpootana and Bombay, and many merchants even preferred risking damage to their goods by descending the old Dhar ghat to paying the heavy tolls demanded by Holkar on merchandise passing through his dominions. Below the hills over which the new road is almost complete runs a deep ravine called the Konkrah Koh, or vale of separation, down which, during the monsoon, the waters rush in great volume and with immense impetuosity, and across this a bridge has been thrown, called now the Anund Row Bridge, after the name of the present Rajah. It consists of five arches of forty feet span each, but for elegance of build and beauty of situation will be surpassed by few in India. Dhar, it will be remembered, has now been restored, and the Rajah Anund Row, hearing that the bridge was complete, and being well versed in the manners and customs of Europeans, his Highness expressed a wish to open it in due form, and accordingly proceeded, attended by his Prime Minister and a numerous suite, to a village situated near the works. The bridge was gaily decorated with flags, and at four o'clock p.m. the Rajah, accompanied by the superintending engineer, Rajpootana circle, the executive engineer, the Prime Minister, and by other persons of note, arrived there mounted upon elephants and escorted by a regiment of cavalry. Upon a signal being given, the cavalry formed up at each end of the bridge, and the Rajah after viewing the work and complimenting the engineer and his subordinates, read a proclamation, which is too long to detail here, but the purport of which was, that the bridge was to be called henceforth and for ever the Anund Row Bridge, cocoanuts being broken upon the parapet when the name was pronounced in lieu of our custom of breaking a bottle of wine. At the end of the proclamation it was decreed that marble tables were to be let into the parapets, bearing inscriptions descriptive of the virtues of the Rajah and his executive engineer. The work-people, who had all attended dressed in their gala clothes, then scrambled for the remnants of the cocoanuts, and the meeting ended.—*Hurkaru*.

MANGOES.—An excellent crop of mangoes is expected this year in the country about Moradabad, which will be welcome intelligence to the community at Nynsee Tal. In Bengal there will be scarcely any at all during the approaching season, owing, first, to the destruction of full grown trees by the cyclone, and afterwards to the damage done by the recent hail storms to the blossoms on the few that had been spared.

MR. HUGH D. SANDEMAN, C.S., has been confirmed in his officiating appointment of Accountant-General, Bengal, in the room of Mr. J. L. Lushington, Madras C.S., appointed permanently to the Accountant-Generalship to the Bombay Government. The duties of Civil Paymaster (Mr. Sandeman's late substantive post) may now be considered to have been finally abolished.

MR. TEMPLE positively leaves for England in April, and Mr. Campbell, the Judicial Commissioner, will officiate as Chief Commissioner during his absence. Major Maxwell, chief engineer, has arrived at Nagpore and assumed charge of his duties.

AHMED-ULLA, who was recently convicted and sentenced to be hanged for the Wahabee affair at Patna, has, it is said, no intention to appeal against the sentence, his object being now to obtain martyrdom by a seeming acquiescence.

THE BUDDHUCKS AT JUBBULPORE.—There is a Thuggee Department in this interesting locality, "connected" with which, we do not understand how—are a set of people called "Buddhucks." They are characterised as "thievish," from which it is inferable that they are used as a sort of "decoy ducks" for getting hold of the real game. They seem to have privileges and immunities of their own, which must commend themselves to the admirers of the "non-regulation" mode of administration. The Buddhucks occupy quarters which constitute quite a sort of *sanctum sanctorum*, surrounded by a wall; and no police officer is authorised to enter the enclosure to search for property or thieves when a theft is reported. The police are compelled to abide their time when the stolen property is taken about for sale, and the chances are then many that one or more of the Buddhucks are found to be concerned in retaining the stolen property, if not in actually stealing it.

THE HIMALAYAS.—"The hills near are crowned with snow, and look like huge iced cakes, with trees and houses for their decorations. Cakes intended, no doubt, for the christening festival of some Titanic baby! Halfway down the hill sides nestle lovely downy clouds, making me think of the good old days when the Titans warred with the gods, and Jove pelted his antagonists with his beautiful fleecy clouds."

SHIPPING.

DEPARTURES.

March 22. Mail str. Mooltan, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Mooltan.—For MADRAS.—Mr. W. Hunter, Capt. Moore, Maj. Burne, Mr. Bristowe, Sir Hugh Rose, Mr. Baynor, Col. and Mrs. Strachey and three children, Capt. Smyly. For GALLE.—Dr. Clemenger, Lieut. Oliphant, Lieut. Young. For SEZ.—Mr. Rieley, Mr. Morrison. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. and Mrs. Blunt, Mr. Granville, Mrs. Han, Mr. W. Johnston, Lieut. W. J. Chalmers, Mr. and Mrs. Kilburn, Mr. J. W. Brookes, Capt. A. Blunt. For MARSEILLES.—Capt. Lindsay, Miss Nader, Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Lee, Lieut. Ward, Maj. Wilkin, Mr. Leech, Mrs. Anstuther Thomson and two children, Capt. Sewell, Mr. Fox, Hon. H. S. Maine, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Thomas, Miss Plasket and two infants, Maj. Rawlins, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Elliott, Col. and Mrs. Vesey, Mr. and Mrs. Wilcock and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lillie and family, Mr. and Mrs. Toulmin, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Griffiths, Rev. H. B. Burney, Mr. Leresche, Mr. Moran, Mr. Williams, Mr. Cumine. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. Bainbridge, Dr. McLean, Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland and infant, Mr. James, Mr. William King, Mr. T. Arnold, Mrs. Gurney, Mrs. Johnson and child, Mrs. Dowling and infants, Mrs. Brooks and two infants, Mrs. Ferries and family, Mrs. Hannah and infant, Capt. W. M. Fraser.

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

FAILURE OF MESSRS. LINE AND CO.—We (*Athenæum*) are very sorry to say that the state of our money market has not improved during the past fortnight. The American news still operates very unfavourably at the three presidencies, and has caused immense losses to speculators, particularly in cotton. The amount spoken of is almost fabulously large. One of our oldest mercantile firms, that of Messrs. Line and Co., has unhappily succumbed to the pressure, and it is said for a very large amount, but the loss will fall mainly on a wealthy China house, and be little felt at Madras. Messrs. Line and Co. state, in an explanatory circular, that their misfortune has been brought about, in a great measure, by recent and unlooked for depreciation in the value of Indian produce in the Home market. Their loss is deeply sympathised with by all classes here, and has caused considerable alarm in the trading community, especially among the natives, who speak freely of other failures likely to follow. We trust, however, the ill-rumours have arisen from a kind of panic, and will pass away, but there can be no question that many, perhaps most, of our merchants have burnt their fingers smartly with cotton.

IMPROVEMENT OF THE COOUM RIVER.—Colonel Boileau, R.E., Superintending Engineer of the fourth division, has brought again under the notice of the Madras Government the question of the improvement of the Cooum river, the provision of a proper outlet for its surplus waters during the rainy season, the retention of those which it is expedient not to have discharged, and the erection of a wrought iron lattice bridge near the mouth of the stream. Government, however, are of opinion that these projects must be regarded simultaneously with the following collateral questions which had been previously referred to Mr. Fraser for investigation:—

First. The supply of water to Madras from the Red-hill Lake.

Second. The supply of water from the Adyar river.

Third. The construction of a fresh water canal from the Adyar to the Cooum, in continuation of the Southern Canal, but at a higher level.

6. Mr. Fraser, C.E., will be directed to bring these subjects together as speedily as possible, so that the whole question may come before the Government, and the bridge over the Cooum be dealt with as part of the general project, and not as a separate matter.

We regret that Sir William Denison should persevere in his determination to defer the commencement of any of these important works until the whole complicated scheme shall have been examined and reported on, as a considerable time must needs elapse before Mr. Fraser can dispose of all the branches of it, and Madras will thus be further kept waiting indefinitely for those improvements which are so essential to her welfare. The Red Hill water supply project, to which his Excellency himself affords the foremost place, has been amply considered and reported on, and might be put in execution forthwith independently of the other branches of the Governor's comprehensive plan, the carrying out of which will involve an expenditure so vast that it is very unlikely means will be found for the purpose; especially if the apprehensions entertained of a deficit in the Exchequer should be verified by the event.—*Athenæum*.

COMPUTATION OF SERVICE.—Mr. G. A. Harris, Civil and Session Judge of Coimbatore, recently requested to be favoured with the ruling of the Government upon the following point, viz., whether or not he is entitled to retain his present appointment five years from date of appointment, i.e., October, 1863. He was informed (demi-officially) by the Civil Paymaster that such is the case, under paragraph 199 (Section XXIX.) Covenanted Service Rules; because in September, 1863, he was appointed to the new office of Civil and Session Judge, Ootacamund, and was subsequently permitted to exchange to his present appointment. The following order, dated March 8, was passed on Mr. Harris's letter:—"The Governor in Council is clearly of opinion that Mr. G. A. Harris will not be entitled to retain his appointment after the 25th July, 1866, on which date he will have completed 35 years' service; the period of service in such cases being taken to commence from the date of arrival in India, as laid down in the despatch of the late Court of Directors, under date the 19th December, 1855, re-published in the *Port Saint George Gazette* of the 28th March, 1856. The transfer of Mr. Harris in 1863 from the Civil and Session Court at Chittoor, first to the Court at Ootacamund, and subsequently to that at Coimbatore, both which transfers were made in accordance with his wish, forms no ground for extending, in his case, the period to which the retention of office by Covenanted Civil Servants is limited."

Mr. T. I. P. Harris, Civil and Session Judge of Trichinopoly, on the 28th February, requested the Chief Secretary to submit the following for the consideration of the Right Honourable the Governor in Council:—"Being desirous of ascertaining, the date on

which my thirty-five years' service in India expires, I addressed a demi-official letter to the Civil Paymaster on the subject, and beg to enclose copy of a reply from the Chief Assistant Civil Paymaster in charge. It will be seen therefrom that the time is computed, by the above officer, from the day I was appointed a Covenanted Civil Servant on the Establishment, viz., the 22nd April, 1831, and that, in his opinion, I shall have completed the said thirty-five years' service on the 21st April, 1866. In conformity with chapter 2, paragraph 201 of the 'Civil Auditor's Manual,' my time of service counts from the date of my arrival in the country, viz., the 5th November, 1831, and on the 5th November, 1866, 35 years will have expired. On the other hand, a reference to the last published Civil list shows that my actual residence on service amounts only to 30 years, up to the 31st December last, and that 35 years service will not be completed till the 9th December, 1869. I would, therefore, request Government will be pleased to decide as to the exact date when the period in question actually ends." Government ruled that the period of service referred to in the rule, which limits a civil servant's retention in employment to 35 years, counts from the date of arrival in the country. In Mr. Harris's case, from the 5th November, 1831.

COCHIN LIGHTHOUSE.—We are informed by the *Madras Times* that the Government have taken into practical consideration the advisability of erecting a new lighthouse at Cochin, one of the most rising ports in Southern India. It appears that for many years the light was exhibited from the topmost cross-trees of a flag-staff erected on a tower which forms a solitary and interesting relic of a spacious church, said to have been built by Vasco de Gama, and to have been for a short time the resting place of his body. When the Dutch seized the town they converted the building into a granary or godown, and subsequently on the British capturing the place the venerable pile (with the exception of the tower) was ruthlessly destroyed by gunpowder, simultaneously with the fortifications that surrounded the town. Since then, or for about sixty years, the tower has been made use of in the manner described, although it has been frequently represented that a port like Cochin deserved some more efficient provision for the convenience of the shipping. In December 1863 the flag-staff was destroyed by lightning, and since then the light has been exhibited as a temporary measure from a lower elevation. Captain Castor, the zealous master attendant at the port, recommends the erection of an entirely new light-house, and the purchase with that view of the materials of a light-house now lying for sale at Galle, originally intended for the Besses, and as the Cochin Port Fund shows a balance at its credit at the present time of nearly Rs. 14,000, the collector of the district strongly supports the scheme. The Superintendent of Marine suggests the erection of a granite column, in height about eighty feet, at a point near the sea, not intercepted by coconut trees, and recommends that a Cladioptric light should be obtained to be visible over 180 degrees of the compass. Orders have accordingly been issued to the superintending engineer to report on the strength of the old tower, the nature of the foundation, what additional weight it is calculated to bear, and whether a light iron frame to carry the light would not be sufficient. He is requested to bear in mind that the Government are not disposed to expend any considerable sum upon the work from Imperial funds.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 14. Arracan, Sladen, Calcutta.—16. Tarquin, Lorient, Adelaide; str. Arabia, Paterson, Galle.—20. Sir Robert Seppings, Coates, Mauritius.

DEPARTURES.

March 14. Howrah, Hawkins, London.—15. Maulmain, Gray, Calcutta; P. and O. str. Candia, Macnamara, Suez; Welfoot, Sturrock, Calcutta; Glenrosa, Rollo, Rangoon.—16. Fattay Salaam, Davies, Calcutta; H.M.S. Arracan, Sladen, Rangoon.—18. str. Arabia, Patterson, Calcutta.—25. Porchester, Dick, Mauritius.

COMMERCIAL.

Madras, March 27, 1865.

BANK OF MADRAS.

Interest on Loans and deposit of Govt. Securities...	11 per ct.
On Cash Credits on do. (subject to commission of ½ per cent. on the sum granted) on amount drawn.....	10 per ct.
Discount on Government Bills	9 per ct.
Ditto on Private Bills, at or within 3 months.....	13 per ct.
Loans on deposit of Government paper.....	9 per ct.

EXCHANGES.

Document Bills, at 6 months' sight.....	2 1
Credit to 6 months.....	2 0½
Agents' Bills on England, at 6 months	2 0½
" " " at 3 months	2 0½
" " " at 1 month	1 11½
" " " at eight	1 11½
H.M.'s Treasury Bills	None.
Bank of England Post Bills.....	None.
Mauritius Government Bills.....	Nominal.
Ceylon ditto	"
Court of Directors' Bill on the Government of Bengal, 30 days' sight	None.
Agents' Bills on Calcutta, 30 days	½ per ct. dis.
Ditto on Bombay	1 per ct. dis.

RATES OF ADVANCE.

On Govt. 5½ per cent. Promissory Notes.....	100 per ct.
Ditto 5 ditto ditto	95 per ct.
Ditto 4½ ditto ditto	90 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto	80 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Stock Receipts	85 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Promissory Notes Sica	85 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto Company's	85 per ct.
Ditto 3½ ditto ditto ditto	per ct.
On Tanjore ditto ditto ditto	98 per ct.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

5½ per cent. Loan	1559	5½ pm
5 per cent. ditto	1856-57	2 pm
4 per cent.	1852-53	
Ditto	1855-56	
Ditto	1852-53	10 dis
Ditto	1851-55	
5 per cent. Transferable Book Debt	No transaction.	
Tanjore Bonds	½ per ct. dis.	
Bank of Madras Shares.....	140 per ct. pm.	

PRICE OF BULLION.

Sovereigns

each Rs. 10-3-6

FREIGHTS.

London and Liverpool.—Indigo, Hides and Skins, £2. 17s. 6d. to £3; Cotton, £3 to £3. 5s.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE HON. W. E. FRERE, brother of the Governor of Bombay, and member of the Legislative Council of the Presidency, is about to return to England after a very lengthened residence in India, and the Bombay branch of the Royal Asiatic Society, of which he was the president, and of which he had been a member for thirty-three years, has presented him with an address on the occasion of his resignation of the society's chair. The society has also requested him to sit to the sculptor Woolner for his bust, which is to be placed in the society's rooms. Mr. Frere has been president for eleven years, and to him the museum owes many of its possessions, and it is also to his zeal and painstaking industry that the society's collection of coins has been classified, and that it is hardly to be surpassed in India. Steps are being taken to present the honourable gentleman with a more substantial token of his connection with India.

CLERK OF THE CROWN.—The Hon. the Chief Justice of the High Court has appointed Mr. John Marriot, barrister-at-law, Clerk of the Crown, in room of Mr. A. R. Scoble, resigned. The appointment is subject to the sanction of his Excellency the Governor in Council.

MR. MANECKJEE CURSETJEE, Third Judge of the Bombay Small Cause Court, has obtained one year's leave to proceed to England by the first mail steamer in April next.

MR. SAMUEL MANSFIELD, Commissioner in Sind, it is believed, will be called into the Bombay Council on the departure of the Hon. Mr. Frere.

A COSTLY ARTICLE.—It is stated that the most elaborate and exquisite specimen of the jeweller's art ever exhibited in Bombay is now on view at the office of Messrs. F. N. Wadia and Co., Borah Bazaar-street. It is a Miroir de-Toilette, set in a perfect blaze of gems, produced by the most tasteful combination of jewels of every name. While there is no class of precious stones which is not represented in this master-piece of jewellery, diamonds, rubies, emeralds, sapphires, and royal opals are most conspicuous; and the profusion of them is such as not only to give an enormous value to the article, but to produce the most brilliant effect that can be conceived. The Miroir de Toilette was made to order for the Pasha of Egypt, and exhibited at the last International Exhibition in London. It has been entrusted to the Messrs. Wadia for sale.

THE BAR GRIEVANCE.—The following is the finding of the judges in reference to the question recently raised as to the right of an English barrister to address the High Court on the appellate side in the English language when a vakeel is opposed to him:—"In the case of the appeal No. 49 of 1863 the chief justice is of opinion, in which all the judges concur, that the acting registrar was not warranted in placing the case in the barristers' list until he had ascertained that the pleading on each side could be held in English, or until he had a special order from the Court, and that this mistake should have been rectified by ordering the cause to be removed from the list in which it was into that of the other Court, the language of which is the vernacular, and we, accordingly, now order this to be done."

DOGS AND BHATTIAS.—With a view to destroy those pests in every native city, the street dogs, the police of Kurrachee have taken to poisoning them, which has awakened the active sympathies of the Bhattia community on behalf of the persecuted animals. These people held a meeting the other day, at which it was resolved to raise a fund to pay rewards to persons who should bring live dogs to a depot they have established in the town, at the rate of four annas for a full-grown pariah and two annas for a pup. This depot is near the hay stacks. Already a sum of Rs. 300 has been subscribed. As soon as two or three hundred dogs are collected together, they will be shipped by country boat to that canine Eden, Cutch. The Bhattias have placed the sum of Rs. 50 at the disposal of the Fouzdar to reward persons who may bring in live dogs.

THE RAMPART REMOVAL COMMITTEE.—The Government of India have sent an order to the Bombay Government for the abolition of the office of the Rampart Removal Committee.

BOMBAY MECHANICS' INSTITUTION.—Government have granted a site on the Esplanade, near the infantry lines, for the erection of a spacious building for the accommodation of the Bombay Mechanics' Institution.

BRIGADIER GENERAL HEYLAND, C.B., commanding at Ahmednugger, is posted to the Belgaum brigade.

H.M.'s SCREW STEAMER "RAPID", Commander C. S. Jago, 11 guns, arrived in harbour on the 14th March, from the coast of Africa.

THE HON. A. J. LEWIS, Advocate General, has been granted six months' leave, on private affairs, to proceed to Europe.

WE (*Standard*) understand that Mirza Synd Hussain Ali, Mirza Synd Hoosein Ali, and Mirza Synd Mahommed Ali, the Moorshedabad Princes lately arrived in this country, with Lieut.-colonel Herbert, will honour the Civil Service Rifle Volunteers with their presence at the annual regimental ball to be given at Willis's-rooms.

MADAGASCAR.—Mr. Consul Pakenham has transmitted to the Foreign-office an account of Madagascar and its trade. This island, in area somewhat larger than France, has a population estimated at 5,000,000, of whom about 5,000 profess Christianity. Madagascar is traversed longitudinally by two principal chains of mountains; the climate on the table lands is generally healthy; the interior is well watered, but by streams navigable only for pirogues. The capital, Antananarivo, is situate about the centre of the island, and is the residence of the Sovereign; it is supposed to contain about 80,000 inhabitants. Owing to an idea that the best means of preserving the country from foreign invasion is to have no roads, none have ever been made, and travellers as well as merchandise for the interior have to be conveyed over extensive tracts on men's shoulders. There is an ancient law in force which prohibits people on pain of death from digging up the earth in search of precious metals, but copper, mercury, iron, and coal mines are known to exist, and gold and silver are found in some parts of the island. The soil is very fertile, producing almost without cultivation indigo, tobacco, rice, sugar-cane, manioc, yams, potatoes, and beans. Coffee grows well in some parts, but so little attention has hitherto been paid to its culture that the greater part of that consumed is imported. The Consul reported that experiments made to grow cotton had not as yet proved successful. There is no direct trade between Great Britain and Madagascar. The imports on the west coast of the island consist chiefly of cotton cloths, and articles of hardware, brought in Arab dhows from Zanzibar and Bombay, which take as return cargo partly, hides, ebony, and orchilla weed, as well as bullocks in small numbers for the Comoro Islands. The trade with the east coast is almost exclusively in the hands of a few merchants at the Mauritius and Réunion, and is principally carried on by British vessels belonging to the former colony and one steamer belonging to Réunion. Tamatave, on the east coast of Madagascar, is the chief emporium of trade with the Mauritius; there are about 250 foreign settlers in this town. The Customs' duties are 20 per cent. on exports (except animals, which pay a fixed duty) and 10 per cent. on imports, but the import duty on liquor is one-third. The import duties are levied in kind. The British trade with this vast island is quite in its infancy. Nine-tenths of the imports consist of clothing and liquors, and nine-tenths of the exports of oxen and other animals and rice. The exports from Madagascar into the Mauritius in the year 1863 were of the value of £103,126; in 1859 they amounted only to £56,015. But the imports from the Mauritius into Madagascar in 1863 fell to only £22,654, owing to political causes and the high price of cotton goods, the convulsion of the American continent thus shaking the trade of this distant and retired island. But a larger trade could not fairly be expected considering the previous rigid exclusion of the people from exterior communication under the rule of Queen Ranavaloa.

DEPARTURE OF PASSENGERS.—The following passengers left Southampton per steamer Massilia, per overland route, to-day (April 27).—For Bombay: Mr. R. L. Ormiston, Mrs. Warren, Mr. J. Cruddas, Mr. D. E. Gostling, Mr. Jones, Mr. G. B. Anderson, Mr. J. Kearney, Capt. and Mrs. Macdonnell, Mr. R. Davis, Miss Braddell. From Marseilles to Bombay: Mr. A. Ashley, Mr. C. Wilkinson, Mr. Storey, Major W. Gray, Messrs. Sassoon, Mr. Leroy, Mr. and Miss De Michelé, Mrs. R. Rose, Mrs. and Miss Davey.



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BENGAL.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

March 1.—No. 1,560.—Appts. :—

Mr. E. G. Makgill is app. to be an asst. to the mag. and coll. of the 24-Pergunnahs, and is posted to Sealdah. Mr. Makgill is vested with the powers of a mag. and dep. coll. in the 24-Pergunnahs.

Mr. R. M. Towers, asst. mag. and coll., to have charge of the sub-div. of Chooadangah, and to exercise the powers of a subord. mag. of the 1st class, and the powers of a dep. coll., in Nuddea.

March 3.—The services of Mr. H. M. Weatherall, dist. supt. of police, Purneah, and of Mr. A. L. W. Jerdon, asst. supt., Bhaugulpore, are placed at the disposal of the political agent and chief civil officer with the Bootan Dooar field force.

March 6.—Mr. W. Macpherson to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Dinagopore.

March 7.—Mr. J. O'Kinealy to offic., until further orders, as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Jessore.

Mr. J. M. Lewis to offic. as mag. and coll. of Beerbhoom during the absence, on deputation, of Mr. R. P. Jenkins, or until further orders.

Lieut. W. Howey, asst. supt. of police, Bancoorah, to have charge of the district of Dinagopore, during the absence on leave of Lieut. Ramsay, or until further orders.

Mr. H. Dawson, asst. supt. of police, to have charge of the district of Purneah, during the abs., on deputation, of Mr. H. M. Weatherall, or until further orders.

Mr. W. Masters to be a professor in the Kishnagur College.

Mr. C. W. V. Bradford, M.A., to be a professor in the Hooghly College.

Mr. D. Carnduff to be a professor in the Berham-pore College.

March 8.—Dr. T. P. Wright to be civil asst. surg. of Bhaugulpore.

March 9.—Mr. W. H. Verner to be an asst. comr. in the Bootan Dooars.

The foll. transfers of asst. supts. of police are sanctioned, viz. :—

Mr. A. Anley from Shahabad to Patna.

Mr. J. Lambert from Moorshedabad to Behar.

Mr. A. Blair from Lohardugga to Purneah.

Mr. C. D. McSweeney from Hazareebaugh to Moorshedabad.

Mr. E. Vines from Nuddea to Gawalparah.

Mr. R. S. Robertson from Dacca to Gowhatty.

March 6.—Leave of absence :—

Mr. J. B. Worgan, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. of Dinagopore, for 20 days, prep. to proceeding to Eur. on furl.

March 7.—Lieut. H. M. Ramsay, district supt. of police, Dinagopore, for 2 mo., under the financial notification, dated Feb. 22, 1865.

Mr. E. B. Godfrey, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Sylhet, for 3 mo., under the financial notification, dated July 31, 1863.

March 4.—The services of Lieut. J. Johnstone, asst. supt. of police, Durrung, now absent on leave, are placed at disposal of the Govt. of India in the milly. dept.

March 6.—The services of Dr. J. Picthall, offic. civil surg. of Bhaugulpore, are placed at disposal of the Govt. of India in the milly. dept., from 4th inst., at his own request.

Mr. H. Bell, of the C.S., reported his departure from India on the 4th inst. per steamship *Cashmere*.

March 7.—Mr. W. H. D'Oyly, of the C.S., reported his return to India on the 2nd inst.

Mr. H. Dawson, asst. supt. of police, Maldah, having returned to his duties on the 23rd ult., the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him under orders of Jan. 13 last is cancelled.

Major T. Rattray, dep. insp. gen. of police, having returned to his duties on the 15th ult., the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him on Oct. 22 last is cancelled.

March 9.—Mr. R. L. Martin, insp. of schools, S.E. div., having resumed his duties on the afternoon of the 17th ult., the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him on Dec. 3 last is cancelled.

The services of the Rev. F. W. Ellis, chaplain of Dum-Dum, are placed tempy. at disposal of the

Govt. of India in the milly. dept., with a view to his being appd. chaplain to the field force in Assam.

The leave granted to Mr. T. J. C. Grant, asst. mag. and coll. of Midnapore, under orders of the 28th ult., is cancelled at his own request.

No. 87.—Mr. A. G. W. Anley, exec. engr. of the 4th class, Balasore div., is transferred temp. to the local estab. for employ. under the president and chairman of the justices of the peace for the town of Calcutta.

No. 89.—Appts. :—

Mr. F. Bond, exec. engr. of the 3rd class, Cuttack div., to offic. as exec. engr. of the Balasore div.

Mr. R. F. Chisholm, exec. engr. (of the 4th class), Pooree div., to offic. as exec. engr., Cuttack div., retaining charge of the former div. in add. until relieved.

No. 89.—Ens. G. Nolan, asst. engr. of the 1st class, attached to the Burrakur div., is appd. to offic. as exec. engr. of the Pooree div.

March 10.—No. 91.—Lieut. col. J. P. Beadle, R.E., chief engr. and sec. to the Govt. of Bengal in this dept., made over charge of his office on the afternoon of the 8th current, to Mr. F. R. Boyce, asst. to the chief engr., and asst. sec. to the Govt. of Bengal, public works dept.

No. 101.—Mr. G. M. Garrard, local asst. engr. of the 1st class, attached to the Chittagong div., resigned his appt., with the permission of Govt., from Aug. 16, 1864.

March 13.—No. 103.—Mr. W. L. Granville, architect to the Govt. of Bengal, public works dept., is allowed leave to Eur. for 6 mo., on private affairs, under the terms of his covenant.

Mr. Granville will make over charge of his office to the offic. chief engr., Bengal.

March 14.—No. 104.—Lieut. col. J. E. T. Nicolls, R.E., appd. to offic. as chief engr. and sec. to the Govt. of Bengal, assumed charge of his office this day before noon.

Feb. 23.—No. 1,757.—Mr. J. B. Worgan to offic. tempy. as mag. and coll. of Dinagopore during the abs. on leave of Mr. H. B. Simson, or until further orders.

March 4.—Mr. R. Abercrombie, offic. opium agent of Behar, is confirmed in that appt.

Mr. C. F. Carnac, on leave, to be civil and sessions judge of Dacca.

Mr. F. J. Cockburn to be civil and sessions judge of Jessore, but to continue to offic. as civil and sessions judge of Dacca until further orders.

Mr. W. LeF. Robinson to be mag. and coll. of the 1st grade in Rungpore.

Mr. A. Abercrombie to be mag. and coll. of the 2nd grade in Midnapore, but to continue to offic., until further orders, as additional judge of Dacca.

Mr. R. Alexander to be mag. and coll. of Sylhet, but to continue to offic. as civil and sessions judge of Cuttack.

The above appts. will take effect from the 6th inst., the date of Mr. Trotter's ret.

March 13.—Mr. S. C. Hampton, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Bancoorah, is transf. to Patna, and is invested with the powers of a mag. in that dist.

This cancels the appt. of Mr. J. A. Ricketts, notified in the *Calcutta Gazette* of the 8th inst.

The following gentlemen to be members of the municipal committees for the towns mentioned, viz. :

Mr. C. A. Kelly, Chittagong.

Mr. R. H. Wilson, Chittagong.

Mr. W. Fairley, Chittagong.

Mr. D. M. Barbour, Patna.

Mr. W. E. Kinsey, Patna.

Dr. J. J. Durant, Arrah.

Mr. P. D. Dickens, asst. mag. and coll., to have tempy. charge of the sub div. of Nugwan, and to exercise, in addition to the powers with which he has already been vested in the dist. of Midnapore, the powers of a mag. for the trial of cases under Act VII. (B.C.) of 1864.

Lieut. G. D'A. Jackson is appd. to be an asst. comsnr. in Chota Nagpore, and is posted to Hazareebaugh. Lieut. Jackson will exercise the powers of a subord. mag. of the 2nd class.

Mr. R. P. Jenkins to offic. as secy. to the local committee of public instruction at Beerbhoom.

Lieut. J. Gregory, asst. comsnr. of North Cachar, is vested with the powers of a sudder ameen.

March 15.—Mr. K. H. Stephen to be a dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Rungpore, and to exercise the powers of a mag. in that dist.

March 16.—Mr. S. Wanchope to offic. as civil and sessions judge of Burdwan, in addition to his present duties, until the arrival of Mr. G. Bright.

March 20.—Mr. W. H. D'Oyly to be asst. to the mag. and coll. of Bhaugulpore, and to exercise the powers of a mag. and dep. coll. in that dist.

March 13.—Leave of absence :—

Mr. A. Rattray, dep. mag. and dep. coll. of Nugwan, for 8 mo., under para. 11 of the unconv. serv. absentee rules, from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave.

Maj. B. T. Reid, dep. comsnr. of Darjeeling, for 15 days, from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave, making over charge of his office to Mr. H. Beverley.

March 16.—The serv. of Maj. T. Rattray, dep. insp. gen. of police in the Bengal Dooars, are placed at the disp. of the Govt. of India in the milly. dept.

Mr. O. Toogood, of the C.S., reported his departure from India on the steamship *Candia* on the 11th inst.

March 15.—No. 106.—Appointment.—Mr. T. J. Macnamara, asst. eng. of the 1st class, attached to the presidency division, to offic. as exec. eng. of the second division, Grand Trunk Road.

No. 107.—Transfer.—Mr. J. Vernon, local probationary asst. eng., from the Burdwan (local roads) to the presidency division.

March 17.—Mr. T. A. Donzelle, local asst. eng. of the 2nd class, joined the Dacca division on the 18th current before noon.

No. 112.—Removal.—The services of Mr. J. Farrell, temp. overseer of the 2nd grade, attached to the Dacca division, are dispensed with from Feb. 27.

March 20.—No. 113.—Transfers.—Mr. J. O'Flaherty, exec. eng. of the 2nd class, from the Hidgellie to the Circular and Eastern Canals' division.

No. 114.—Mr. J. A. Windle, asst. eng. of the 1st class, offic. exec. eng., Circular and Eastern Canals' division, to offic. as exec. eng. of the Hidgellie division.

No. 116.—Removal.—The services of Mr. M. E. Durrup de Dombal, local probationary asst. eng., attached to the Nuddea (local road) division, were dispensed with from Nov. 30, 1864.

No. 121.—Transfers.—Mr. F. Fitzjames, local asst. eng. of the 1st class, from the Rajshahye to the Darjeeling division.

Mr. Fitzjames joined the Darjeeling division on the afternoon of the 11th current.

Mr. H. Beck, overseer of the 2nd grade, from the Damooda to the Hidgellie division.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR, N.W.P.

Feb. 28.—No. 225a.—Lieut. H. W. C. Bulkeley, of H.M.'s 106th regt., is, with the consent of the officer comdg. at Nusseerabad, and as a tempy. arrangement, appd. to offic. as 2nd asst. dist. superint. of police in Ajmere, and *ex officio* adjt. of the Ajmere and Mhairwarrah police corps, with effect from the date on which he assumed charge of those duties.

No. 667a.—Leave on m.c. for 7 mo. is granted to Dr. J. Sheetz, civil asst. surg. at Futehpore, with effect from April 5 next.

No. 673a.—Asst. surg. T. W. Shepherd, offic. civil surg. of Azimgurh, is placed in charge of the jail of that dist., and is invested with the powers of a mag., to be exercised within the precincts of the jail under his charge.

Dated March 1.—No. 680a.—Asst. surg. T. Ringer, M.D., of the 40th regt. N.I., and in charge of the civil med. duties at Banda, is placed in charge of the jail of that dist., and is invested with the powers of a mag., to be exercised within the precincts of the jail under his charge. This appt. will have effect from Jan. 16.

March 3.—No. 690a.—That portion of the notification in this dept., No. 469a, dated the 13th inst., by which the superint. of Deyrah Doon was appd. dist. registrar under Act XVI. of 1864, is hereby cancelled.

No. 691a.—The sen. asst. superint. of Deyrah Doon is appd. to be dist. registrar, under Act XVI. of 1864, within the Dhoon dist.

No. 698a.—Two mo. priv. leave, under the new C.S. absentee rules, is granted to Mr. A. M. Markham, asst. coll. and mag. of Bareilly, with effect from April 10, or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 696a.—Six mo. leave to Eur. is granted to Mr. A. Shakespear, comsnr. of Benares, with effect from May 23 next, or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same, together with 13 days' prep. leave, under the new C.S. absentee rules, to enable him to reach the port of embark.

March 4.—No. 714a.—The notifications Nos. 555a and 559a, dated 20th ult., appg. Messrs. C. W. Mellor and C. Twigg to offic. as joint mag. and dep. colls., are cancelled.

No. 719a.—28 days' prep. leave, to enable him to reach the port of embark, with the view of proc. to Eur. on furl., is granted to Mr. H. D. Willock,

joint mag. and dep. coll. at Shahjehanpore, with effect from March 10.

No. 722a.—The serv. of Mr. J. W. Quinton, B.A., joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade at Meerut, are placed at the disp. of the Govt. of India, in the foreign dept., for employment in Oude, with effect from March 20.

No. 727a.—18 days' leave, prep. to proc. on furl. to Eur., to enable him to reach the port of embark., is granted to Mr. R. G. Currie, asst. in the settlement dept. at Boolundshuhur, with effect from April 10, or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 732a.—Mr. J. Smith, B.A., asst. mag. and coll. at Mirzapore, is transf. in his present capacity to Ghazepore.

No. 735a.—Mr. G. B. Pasley, who has been re-attached to the N.W.P., the Punjab, and Oude, is posted to the Allahabad dist. as an offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. His appt. will have effect from the date on which Mr. H. D. Willock avails himself of the prep. leave of abs. granted to him by the notification in this dept., No. 719a, dated the 4th inst.

Allahabad, March 4.—No. 1,211.—With reference to notification No. 34 of Jan. 6, Mr. R. J. Clarke, exec. engr. 3rd class, is placed on the supernum. list, with effect from Dec. 15, 1864.

March 13.—No. 213a.—With reference to the notification in this dept., No. 682a, dated Dec. 16 last, it is hereby notified that W. Walter, Esq., M.D., the chemical examiner of the N.W.P., Oude, and the Central Provs., having received a supply of tests and apparatus from Calcutta, is now in a position to undertake the examination of suspected articles in judicial cases, which should be forwarded to him at Allahabad.

No. 53a.—The Hon. the Lieut. gov. is pleased to invest Mr. E. Macnaghten, judge of the Court of Small Causes at Allahabad, with the powers of a principal sudder ameen, to be exercised within the local limits of his jurisdiction.

March 11.—No. 263a.—Three mo. priv. leave of absence, under the orders of the Govt. of India, dated Oct. 13, 1863, is granted to Capt. A. H. Bramley, dist. supt. of Police at Moozuffernuggur, with effect from May 1 next.

No. 264a.—Mr. R. Knyvett, asst. dist. supt. of police at Meerut, is appd. to offic. as dist. supt. of police at Moozuffernuggur, during the absence on leave of Capt. Bramley.

March 4.—No. 707a.—Ten days' leave is granted to Mr. W. J. R. Carnac, civil and sess. judge of Mynpoorie, to enable him to reach the port of embarkation, prep. to furl. to Eur. on m.c., with effect from 1st inst.

Mr. Carnac will make over charge of the current duties of his office to the principal sudder ameen.

March 7.—No. 758a.—Mr. W. Tyrrell, B.A., offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. at Furruckabad, is transf. in his present capacity to Allahabad.

No. 759a.—Mr. H. C. Barstow, asst. mag. and coll. at Agra, is transferred in his present capacity to Furruckabad.

March 10.—No. 788a.—Six mo. leave of absence to Europe is granted to Mr. J. Simson, register to the Court of Sudder Dewanny and Nizamut Adawlut, N.W.P., together with the usual prep. leave to enable him to reach the port of embark., with effect from April 1 next.

March 11.—No. 815a.—The services of the Rev. C. W. Cahusac, M.A., chaplain of Jhansie, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India, in the foreign dept., for employ. in the Central Provs.

No. 816a.—The Rev. A. Robinson, whose services are placed at the disposal of Govt., is appd. chaplain of Jhansie.

March 13.—No. 821a.—Fourteen days' leave, under Sec. III. of the New Civil Service Absentee Rules, to enable him to reach the port of embark., prep. to proc. on furl. to Eur., is granted to Mr. F. M. Lind, offic. comr. of Allahabad, with effect from 25th inst.

No. 824a.—The Hon. R. Drummond, civil and sessions judge of Shahjehanpore, is appd. to offic. as comr. of the Allahabad div., with effect from the date on which Mr. F. M. Lind avails himself of the leave granted to him by the notification in this dept., No. 821a, of this day's date.

No. 825a.—Mr. Drummond will make over charge of the current duties of his office to the princ. sudder ameen of Shahjehanpore, as a temp. arrangement.

No. 830a.—Mr. F. Thomson, mag. and coll. of Mynpoorie, is appd. to offic. as civil and sessions judge of Shahjehanpore, during the abs., on deputation, of the Hon. R. Drummond, or until further orders.

No. 832a.—Mr. F. Wigram, who has been re-attached to the N.W. Provs., the Punjab, and Oude,

is appd. to offic. as mag. and coll. of Mynpoorie, during the abs. of Mr. F. Thomson, or until further orders.

No. 842a.—Mr. C. Horne, civil and sessions judge of Benares, is appd. to offic. as civil and sessions judge of Mynpoorie.

No. 843a.—Mr. H. B. Henderson, mag. and coll. of Muttra, is appd. to offic. as civil and sessions judge of Benares.

No. 844a.—Mr. H. G. Keene, mag. and coll. of Boolundshuhur, is appd. to offic. as mag. and coll. of Muttra.

March 10.—No. 1,405.—The 15 days' priv. leave granted to Mr. W. Thatcher, asst. engr. 2nd class, Cawnpore div. Ganges canal, by the chief engr. irrigation works, from Feb. 25, is confirmed.

March 11.—No. 1,434.—The following changes are made with reference to G.O.G.G. No. 64 of Feb. 23:—

Capt. F. W. Peile, R.E., supntg. engr. 2nd class, offic. suptg. engr. 2nd circle, N.W.P., to be supntg. engr. of the 1st circle, v. Lieut. col. J. D. Campbell transf. to the Punjab.

Capt. C. T. Stewart, R.E., exec. engr. 1st class, Agra div. public works, to offic. as supntg. engr. of the 2nd circle, N.W.P.

Major Sir E. Leeds, Bart., exec. engr. 2nd class, and offic. exec. engr., 3rd div. Grand Trunk Road, to offic. as exec. engr. of the Agra div. public works, v. Capt. Stewart.

Mr. J. McDonald, asst. engr. 1st class, 3rd div., Grand Trunk Road, to assume charge of that div. as a temp. arrangement.

March 13.—No. 1,476.—Lieut. T. C. Manderson, asst. engr. 1st class, is transf. from the Agra div. public works to the 2nd Allahabad div. public works.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR, PUNJAB.

March 7.—No. 325.—The following officers are declared by the Central Committee of Examination to have passed by the higher standard:—

Mr. T. A. O'Connor, P.H., asst. district supt. of police, with credit.

Mr. H. S. Nicholletts, P.H., asst. district supt. of police.

No. 329.—With reference to Punjab Gazette order No. 299, dated March 2, Mr. R. Kinchant, B.A., dist. supt. of police, is permanently posted to the Jhung district.

March 6.—No. 568.—Mr. E. H. Harrison, C.S., asst. comr., has obtained leave of abs. to Eur., on m.c., for 12 mo., in ext. of the leave granted to him in Punjab order No. 178, dated Jan. 20.

March 7.—No. 572.—The services of the Rev. A. Robinson, M.A., junior chaplain, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the N.W.P.

No. 583.—Transfers.—Major H. P. Babbage, asst. comr., from the Loodiana to the Goojranwalla dist.

No. 584.—Mr. W. Coldstream, asst. comr., from the Lahore to the Dera Ismail Khan dist., to be stationed at Bakkur.

No. 585.—Mr. G. R. Elmslie, offic. judge of the Small Cause Court, Simla, offic. as dep. comr. of Simla, in addition to his other duties, from Jan. 28 to Feb. 16.

ERRATUM.—In Gazette order, No. 539, published at page 253 of the Gazette of 4th inst., for "Major W. McNeile, offic. as comr. of Hissar," read Major W. McNeile, offic. as comr. of Jhansie.

No. 62.—Leave.—Surg. W. Clemenger, in med. charge 5th Gorkha regt., has obtained leave from March 1 to April 30, to visit Calcutta, preparatory to applying for leave to England, on m.c.

March 8.—No. 131.—The Hon. the Lieut. gov. is pleased to make the following arrangements during the abs. of Surg. J. B. Scriven, principal, Lahore med. school, on leave, as notified in Punjab Gazette order, No. 94, dated Feb. 7:—

Asst. surg. T. E. B. Brown, M.D., to offic. as principal of the med. school, in addition to his other duties, with the exception of the professorship of Materia Medica.

Asst. surg. G. Henderson, M.D., civil surg. of Shahpoor, to offic. as professor of medicine and surgery.

Asst. surg. A. Neil, to offic. as professor of Materia Medica, in addition to his other duties.

No. 333.—Transfers:—

Maj. A. LeGallais, dist. supt. of police, from the Delhi to the Karnal district.

No. 334.—Lieut. J. S. Tait, dist. supt. of police, from the Rohtuck to the Delhi dist.

No. 335.—Capt. W. W. Boddam, dist. supt. of police, from the Karnal to the Rohtuck dist.

No. 336.—Mr. F. Kelly, offic. asst. dist. supt. of police, from the Mooltan to the Hoshiarpur dist.

No. 337.—Mr. W. Ward, asst. dist. supt. of police, from the Hoshiarpur to the Kangra dist.

March 9.—No. 342.—Leave.—Capt. W. W. Boddam, dist. supt. of police, for 25 days, prep. to applying for m.c. to Eur., with effect from March 10.

No. 346.—Appt.—Mr. W. H. Merser, to offic. as asst. supt. of police, v. Mr. P. A. Rattigan, asst. supt., offic. for Capt. Sewell, dist. supt. of police, on leave.

March 9.—No. 602.—Lieut. C. E. Armstrong, asst. comr., from the Jhelum to the Dera Ismail Khan dist.

No. 63.—Leave of Absence:—Lieut. T. T. Oliphant, 1st Punjab inf., from March 1 to April 30, to proceed to Calcutta, prep. to applying for furl. to England, m.c.

No. 64.—Lieut. L. Gustavinski, wing officer, 2nd regt. Punjab inf., has obtained 4 mo. leave, from July 17, m.c.

March 11.—No. 370.—Lieut. T. H. Scott, district supt. of police, Dera Ismail Khan, has obtained priv. leave of abs. for 3 mo., with effect from April 1, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of the same.

ERRATUM.—In Gazette order No. 336 of the 8th inst., transferring Mr. F. Kelly from Mooltan to Hoshiarpur, for "officiating district superintendent of police," read "district superintendent of police."

March 14.—No. 617.—The Rev. E. Godfrey, M.A., is appd. chaplain of Dhurmsala, Kangra, and Dalhousie, for 2 years, with effect from the date of his arrival at Dhurmsala.

March 11.—No. 6,904.—The Govt. of India having authorised the constitution of the conservancy of the Upper Indus as a separate department, the following appointments are sanctioned from Feb. 1 last:—

Mr. J. D'Arcy to be conservator.

Mr. J. G. Strong to be asst. conservator.

No. 6,908.—Posting.—With reference to Govt. of India's notification, No. 77, dated Fort William, March 4, Lieut. F. P. Sprague, R.E., asst. engr. 2nd grade, is posted to the Upper Sirhind div.

March 15.—No. 380.—Mr. G. L. Kelly, asst. district supt. 1st class, 2nd grade, to be an asst. district supt. 1st class, 1st grade, v. Mr. J. McAndrew, prom.

Mr. E. Charde, asst. district supt. 2nd class, 1st grade, to be an asst. dist. supt. 1st class, 2nd grade, v. Mr. G. L. Kelly, prom.

Mr. E. A. Marshall, asst. dist. supt. 2nd class, 2nd grade, to be an asst. dist. supt. 2nd class, 1st grade, v. Mr. E. Charde, prom.

Mr. R. C. Jones, asst. dist. supt. 2nd class, 3rd grade, to be an asst. dist. supt. 2nd class, 2nd grade, v. Mr. E. A. Marshall, prom.

Mr. T. A. O'Connor, asst. dist. supt. 2nd class, 4th grade, to be an asst. dist. supt. 2nd class, 3rd grade, v. Mr. R. C. Jones, prom.

Mr. H. S. Nicholletts, asst. dist. supt. 2nd class, 5th grade, to be an asst. dist. supt. 2nd class, 4th grade, v. Mr. T. A. O'Connor, prom.

Mr. C. E. Powell, offic. asst. dist. supt., is permanently appd. an asst. dist. supt. 2nd class, 5th grade, v. Mr. H. S. Nicholletts, prom.

March 17.—No. 391.—Capt. Q. D. Parsons, dist. supt. of police, resumed charge of his office at Umballah on March 9.

No. 392.—Major E. Perkins resumed charge of his office of dist. supt. of police, Loodiana, on March 10.

No. 393.—Capt. W. P. Fisher held the substantive appt. of cantonment joint mag. of Mooltan, from Nov. 3, 1864, to Jan. 24, 1865.

March 15.—No. 628.—Mr. W. Ford, C.S., comr. and supt. Mooltan div., has obtained leave of abs. for 6 mo., to proceed to England on urgent private affairs, under para. 9 of the civil service leave rules, together with the usual prep. leave, with effect from such date as he may avail himself of the same.

No. 629.—Major J. E. Cracroft, offic. comr. and supt. Jullundur div., has obtained priv. leave of abs. for 3 mo., with effect from the date of his making over charge of his office.

March 18.—No. 647.—Major H. W. H. Cox, dep. comr. of Iluzara, to offic. as comr. of the Mooltan div., during the abs. on leave of Mr. W. Ford.

March 15.—No. 68.—The regl. order dated Feb. 22, issued by the officer comdg. 8rd Punjab inf., appg. Lieut. and adjt. C. K. Mackinnon to offic. as wing officer, in add. to his other duties, v. Lieut. G. N. Money, proceeded on leave, is confirmed.

March 17.—No. 70.—Col. W. T. Hughes, comdnt, 1st Punjab cav., from April 9 to June 9, to visit Bombay, prep. to submitting an application for leave to England on m.c.

March 15.—No. 6,984.—Mr. A. Stephens, overseer 1st grade, from Umritsar civil works to the Mooltan div.

March 16.—No. 7,045.—Mr. T. W. Knowles, special asst. engr., 7th div. Grand Trunk Road, offic. as exec. engr. of that div. from Jan. 17.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Head Quarters, Calcutta, Feb. 25.—Leave of absence:—

27th Foot.—Capt. W. S. C. Pinwill, for 1 mo., to Calcutta, from date of leaving regt., and thence to England, for 15 mo.

33rd Foot.—Col. J. E. Collins, from date of embarkation, to England, via Egypt, m.c.; and Capt. R. G. Graham, from date of departure from Bombay to England, for 15 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

44th Foot.—Lieut. A. J. Roberts, from date of embarkation, to England, for 15 mo.

81st Foot.—Lieut. M. Curry (adjt.), from date of embarkation, to England, to undergo the course of musketry instruction at Hythe, preceding his regt. overland.

89th Foot.—Col. L. C. Bouchier, from date of embarkation, to England, preceding his regt. by the overland route.

Feb. 27.—Staff surg. D. F. Rennie, M.D., attached to the 54th foot, will proceed in med. charge of the head quarters of the 80th foot to Darjeeling, and join the five companies there.

Asst. surg. J. A. Lamb, of the 54th foot, will, on the departure of Staff surg. Rennie to join the 80th foot, assume med. charge of his regt.

Staff asst. surg. R. W. Lawless will proceed to Dum Dum to assume med. charge of the depot of the 80th foot, to be left at that station, as a temporary arrangement.

Staff asst. surg. E. J. Hatchell, in med. charge of the detachment of the 55th foot at Berhampore, will accompany it to Calcutta, and join the head quarters of the regt. for duty.

The following orders are, with the sanction of Govt., confirmed:—

Lahore div. order, dated Nov. 12 last, appointing Capt. G. R. Miller, of the 90th foot, to offic. as dep. asst. qmrm. gen., as a temporary arrangement, with effect from the 15th idem., v. Lieut. col. D. C. Shute, proceeded to England.

Jalundar brigade order, dated Dec. 12 last, directing the supply by the commissariat department, of a dooly and bearers, and carriage for a staff sergeant's tent to No. 2 battery Bengal art., on route to Lucknow.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the officer commanding the 5th N.I., dated Nov. 15 last, directing Asst. surg. G. A. Watson to assume med. charge of the civil duties of Dacca, v. Surg. A. Simpson, dec.

By the officer commanding the 4th N.I., dated Nov. 19 last, directing Lieut. J. R. B. Atkinson, gen. list, inf., to offic. as doing duty officer, until further orders, with effect from the 15th idem., v. Lieut. F. H. Ingfield, late 38th N.I., appointed to do duty at the Landour convalescent depot.

By the officer commanding the 4th Goorkha regt., dated Dec. 7 last, appointing Lieut. J. Hay, gen. list, inf., to offic. as doing duty officer, with effect from Nov. 7, 1864.

Oude div. order, dated Jan. 30 last, appointing Lieut. R. G. Birch, late 1st Eur. L.C., station staff, at Seetapore.

Sangor station order, dated Jan. 31st last, appointing Major J. Y. Gowan, staff corps, to offic. as station staff, v. Capt. C. W. R. Chester, brigade major, proceeded on duty.

Benares div. order, dated the 1st ult., directing Surg. major J. Sutherland to assume med. charge of the 16th N.I., v. Surg. major J. A. C. Hutchinson, proceeded to Calcutta to appear before a medical board.

Leave of absence:—

34th Foot.—Capt. J. D. Laurie (dist. insp. of musketry, 5th div.), from date of availing himself of the leave to Feb. 9, to proceed to Calcutta, on m.c.

35th Foot.—Capt. M. M. Pohle, from Oct. 14 to Oct. 29, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

38th Foot.—Ensign W. St. J. Young, from date of availing himself of the leave, for 1 mo., to proceed to Calcutta, on m.c.

77th Foot.—Ensign V. P. Byrne, from Jan. 31 to July 31, to Ferozepore, on m.c.

31st Foot.—Lieut. R. T. Passingham, from date of embarkation, to England via the Cape, on m.c.

109th Foot.—Ensign W. H. Webb, from date of embarkation at Aden, to England via the Overland route, on m.c.

General List, Infantry.—Lieut. J. M. Trotter (doing duty officer 24th N.I.), from Jan. 13 to

Jan. 24, in ext., to remain in Calcutta, preparatory to embarkation for Europe.

Medical Department.—Surg. major C. Archer, M.D., from Jan. 1 to March 1, preparatory to proceeding to Europe on m.c.

Veteran Establishment.—Captain W. Kelly, from March 8 to Nov. 8, in ext., to remain at Almorah, on m.c.

March 7.—With reference to G.G.O., No. 188, of the 21st ult., the C. in C. is pleased to transfer Major gen. A. M. Becher, c.b., from the Oude to the Sirhind div., and to post Major gen. T. Williams, c.b., to the Oude div.

The above to have effect from the 15th inst.

With the sanction of Govt., Brev. major J. G. Dartnell, of the 27th foot, is appointed aide de camp to Brig. gen. H. Tomba, c.b., and v.c., commanding the right brigade of the Doogar field force.

The leave to England on private affairs granted in G.O.C.C. of the 15th ult., to Asst. surg. N. Arent, of the 66th foot, is cancelled, as that officer will accompany his regiment, which is under orders to England.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following promotions until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

86th Foot.—Lieut. W. Neal to be capt., by purch., v. Harris, who ret., dated Feb. 21.

Ens. L. G. O. Stuckey to be lieut., by purch., v. Neal, prom., dated Feb. 21.

88th Foot.—Ens. L. W. Lee to be lieut., by purch., v. Lofthouse, who rets.; dated Feb. 25.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appts.:—

3rd Bengal Cav.—Lieut. H. M. Court, att. to the 12th Bengal cav., to be doing duty officer, v. Lieut. Willock; dated Feb. 27.

H.R.H. the Field Marshal comdg. in chief has been pleased to approve of the exchange of batlins between the undermen officers:—

7th Foot.—Lieuts. the Hon. W. P. Moreton, to 2nd batlin., and J. S. Smith, to 1st batlin.

10th Foot.—Majs. J. Van H. Montagu, to 1st batlin., and C. Barlow, to 2nd batlin.

The undermen officers are appd. to do duty as specified:—

Capt. F. B. Foote, of the staff corps, to do gen. duty at Meerut.

Lieut. S. C. MacTier, late 15th N.I., to do duty with the 37th N.I.

The following transfs. of medical officers of the 19th brig. R.A., will take place, pending a reference to the authorities in England:—Asst. surgs. C. Ricketts from A to C batty.; J. A. Illingworth, from E to A batty.; and T. S. Barry, from C to E batty., of which they are now in charge.

The following Sangor dist. orders are confirmed:—

Dated Jan. 10 last.—Directing Capt. J. H. Grant, staff corps, doing duty with A battery 16th brigade R.A., to do general duty at Jubbulpore.

Dated the 10th idem.—Directing the following medical arrangements:—

Surg. H. Stewart, of the R.A., to act as medical storekeeper, in addition to his other duties, v. Asst. surg. W. R. Rice, M.D.

Surg. J. H. Porter, of the 97th foot, to offic. as civil surg., in addition to his other duties, v. Asst. surg. W. R. Rice, M.D.

Staff asst. surg. A. Minty, M.B., to do duty with the R.A.

Dated the 16th idem.—Directing Asst. surg. S. E. Maunsell, of the 97th foot, to afford medical aid to the 1st Bengal cav., and to a detachment of the 7th N.I., in addition to his other duties, v. Asst. surg. T. W. Sheppard.

The following Doogar field force orders are confirmed:—

Dated Nov. 29 last.—Directing Asst. surg. A. Fitzgerald to proceed to Joggeopah and assume med. charge of the head quarters and wing of the 44th N.I.

Dated Jan. 1 last.—Appointing Lieut. J. L. Ferris, late 12th N.I., to act as orderly officer to Brig. gen. Mulcaster, v. Lieut. H. A. Shakespear, of the 5th Bengal cav., proceeded with his regt.

The following left column Doogar field force orders are confirmed:—

Dated Nov. 24 last.—Appointing Surg. Major J. Hilliard M.D., and F.R.C.S.L., of the 30th N.I., and Asst. surg. M. J. S. Perreau, the former to the med. charge of the staff, and the latter to that of the left wing 11th N.I.

Dated the 29th idem.—Appointing Lieut. R. A. Wauchope, doing duty with the 3rd Goorkhas, to offic. as orderly officer.

Dated Dec. 18 last.—Transferring Lieut. C. J. Durand from the 11th N.I. to the 80th N.I.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the officer comdg. the 37th N.I., dated Oct. 18 last, directing [the following appts., during the time Lieut. and adjt. F. A. Montron offic. as 2nd in command and wing officer.

Lieut. C. E. D. Branson, qmrm., to offic. as adjt. Lieut. C. Ransford, doing duty officer, to offic. as qmrm.

By the officer comdg. to 10th N.I., dated Nov. 29 last, appg. Lieut. F. S. Carr, doing duty 9th N.I., to offic. as doing duty officer to the regt., with effect from Sept. 15 last, v. Lieut. W. D. Palmer, appd. to another situation.

By the officer comdg. the 31st N.I., dated Dec. 15 last, directing Lieut. R. D. Beeton, doing duty officer, to offic. as adjt., v. Lieut. F. Van H. Sperling, appd. adjt. to the 43rd N.I.

By the officer comdg. the 4th N.I., dated Dec. 25 last, directing Lieut. J. R. B. Atkinson, doing duty officer, to offic. as qmrm., v. Capt. A. McL. Stewart, appd. wing officer.

By the officer comdg. the 2nd batlin. rifle brig., dated Jan. 23 last, directing Asst. surg. A. F. Bradshaw to assume med. charge of the batlin. during the absence on special duty of Surg. H. M. Fraser, M.D.

By the officer comdg. the 12th Bengal cav., dated June 24, directing Lieut. (now Capt.) P. S. Yorke, officg. 2nd in command and squadron officer, to assume charge of the 3rd squadron, in addition to his other duties, with effect from the 23rd idem., v. Cornet C. B. Horsburgh, in cancellation of the regl. order confirmed in G.O.C.C. of Aug. 30 last.

By the officer comdg. the 55th foot, dated Jan. 26 last, appg. Lieut. F. Barnston to act as adjt., v. Capt. O. S. D. Osborne, prom.

By the officer comdg. the 36th N.I., dated Jan. 30 last, directing Lieut. R. Shakespear to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Lieut. J. R. McK. Homfray.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Lieut. col. C. P. Trower, dep. judge advocate gen. presidency div., from March 12 to April 9, to remain in Calcutta, prep. to embark for England; and Lieut. W. G. Chalmers, from Feb. 25 to April 25, to remain in Calcutta, prep. to applying for furl. to Eur.

Royal Art.—Lieut. W. McClintock, A baty. 11th brig., from 15 to Oct. 15, to visit Mussoorie; Capt. T. P. Carey, B baty. 11th brig., from April 15 to Oct. 15, to visit Nynsee Tal; and Vety. surg. G. A. Oliphant, A baty. 11th brig., from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Mussoorie and the hills north of Deyrah.

21st Hussars.—Capt. W. J. S. Richards, from Feb. 2 to March 2, to Calcutta, on m.c.

42nd Foot.—Capt. M. Macleod, from March 1 to Aug. 20, to remain in Calcutta to study the native languages.

46th Foot.—Col. A. G. Vesey, from March 15 to March 25, to Calcutta and thence to England, for 15 mo., from date of embark.

51st Foot.—Maj. S. A. Madden, from date of availing himself of the leave, for one mo. to port of embark., and thence to England for 15 mo.

60th Foot.—Qmrm. R. Duncan, 3rd batt., from date of embark., to England via the Cape of Good Hope, on m.c.

71st Foot.—Lieut. J. Y. Allan, from Jan. 18 to date of embark., and to precede his regt. to England by the overland route.

79th Foot.—Lieut. A. B. Murray, from date of leaving regt., for 1 mo. to port of embark., and thence to England, for 15 mo.

82nd Foot.—Lieut. J. Johnston, from Nov. 5, 1864, to date of embarkation, in ext., to remain in Calcutta, m.c.

Bengal Inf.—Lieut. col. W. C. Gott (doing duty at Umballah), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Simla and hills north of Deyrah; Lieut. col. R. C. Tytler (doing duty at Umballah), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Simla.

March 2.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appts., until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

1st Batt. 19th foot.—Capt. A. Seagrim, from the 90th foot, to be Capt., v. Hackett, who excs.; dated Feb. 20.

90th Foot.—Capt. R. H. Hackett, from the 19th foot, to be capt., v. Seagrim, who excs.; dated Feb. 20.

91st Foot.—Lieut. W. Grant, to be adjt., v. Wade, who res. the appt.; dated Feb. 20.

Proms. until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—1st Drag. Guards.—Cornet C. Gandy to be Lieut., by pur., v. Vibart, who rets.; dated Feb. 20.

1st Batt. 18th Foot.—Ens. J. Bradley to be Lieut., without pur., v. Adams, dec.; dated Feb. 9.

Col. W. B. Wemyss, Bengal cav., is perm. to reside within the limits of the Meerut div. and Rohilcund dist.

The undermen. officers are appd. to do duty at the stations specified:—

Maj. H. G. Adlam, staff corps, at Dinapore.
Maj. R. Larkins, late 49th N.I., at Futtebhurh, on expiration of his present leave.
Lieut. W. G. Maitland, late 39th N.I., at Barrackpore.

The ret. from the serv., by the sale of his commis., of Lieut. H. Nesbitt, 2nd batt. 12th foot, is accepted, subject to app. of H.M.; dated Feb. 22.

The ret. from the serv., by the sale of his commis., of Cornet C. R. Jones, 1st drag. guards, has been accepted by the C. in C. in India, subject to app. of H.M.; dated Feb. 22.

Staff Asst. surg. A. E. T. Longhurst, M.D., surg. to H.E. the C. in C., will join and take med. charge of No. 8 baty. 25th brig. R.A., proc. on serv. to Bhootan; dated Feb. 21.

Asst. surg. J. Davidge, R.A., now with the 2nd drag. guards, will, on being relieved, proc. without delay to join his baty., No. 6 of the 25th brig. R.A., in Bhootan.

Asst. surg. R. P. Ferguson, R.A., now with No. 6 baty. 25th brig. R.A., will, on being relieved, join his baty., E baty. 16th brig. R.A., at Allahabad.

Staff Asst. surg. R. J. B. Cunynghame, M.D., recently in med. charge of the depot at Dugshai, is att. for duty to the 94th foot, and will proc. to join without delay.

Lieut. F. G. Hearn, gen. list, inf., adjt. 17th N.I., is directed, without prejudice to his appt. in that corps, to proc. forthwith, at the public expense, and place himself at the disp. of Brig. gen. H. Tombs, C.B., V.C., comdg. right brig. Doogar field force.

The foll. Benares station orders are confirmed:—
Dated Jan. 24 last.—Directing Asst. surg. R. W. Cunningham, M.D., of the 14th N.I., to assume med. charge of the staff hospital, v. Surg. T. Maxwell, M.D., relieved.

Dated 25th idem.—App. Asst. surg. R. W. Cunningham, M.D., of the 14th N.I., to the med. charge of the div. and brigade staff, v. Maxwell.

Dated 3rd ult.—Directing Asst. surg. J. Carlaw, 58th foot, to assume med. charge of the regt., with effect from Jan. 25 last, v. Surg. P. H. E. Cross, under arrest.

The foll. pres. order is confirmed:—

Dated 2nd ult.—Directing Staff Asst. surg. D. A. Leitch, M.D., to proceed and report himself for duty with the 58th foot, at Benares.

The foll. Allahabad brigade orders are confirmed:

Dated 28th idem.—Directing Lieut. A. B. Hepburn, late 32nd N.I., and Lieut. A. J. Wallace, late 60th N.I., att. to 21st N.I., to remain at the station, on the dep. of the regt., and do duty with the 7th N.I.

The following orders are confirmed:—

Subathoo station order, dated Oct. 23 last, appg. Ens. S. N. McL. Nairne to offic. as station staff, with effect from the 20th idem.

Lullupore station order, dated Nov. 14 last, appg. Lieut. G. Atkins, doing duty 1st N.I., to offic. as station staff, v. Capt. F. J. Craigie.

By the officer comdg. at Nowshera, dated Dec. 3 last, directing Capt. F. D. Ogilvie, wing officer of the 27th N.I., to assume comd. of the station.

By the same officer, dated Dec. 4 last, directing Capt. F. D. Ogilvie to offic. as station staff and superint. of the Sudder bazaar, v. Ens. R. Stratford, proc. with a detach. of the 51st foot to Peshawur.

Nowshera station order, dated Jan. 2 last, appg. Capt. E. Fortescue, of the 3rd batt. rifle brig., station staff and superint. of the Sudder bazaar, with effect from the 1st idem.

Attock garrison order, dated Jan. 2 last, appg. Capt. H. Wood, of the 3rd batt. rifle brig., to offic. as fort adjt., as a tempy. measure, v. Ens. H. H. Mitchell, 3rd batt. rifle brig., proc. to rejoin his regt.

Dorunda station order dated the 7th idem, appgt. Lieut. and adjt. E. Kitson, of the 15th N.I., to offic. as station staff, with effect from Dec. 6 last.

Bhaugulpore station order dated Jan. 20 last, appg. Lieut. F. G. Hearn, adjt. 17th N.I., to offic. as station staff in addition to his other duties.

Rawul Pindee brig. order dated Jan. 23 last, directing Capt. R. G. Rogers, 2nd in command and wing officer 20th N.I., to offic. as maj. of brig. in addition to his other duties, pending arrival of Maj. H. C. Anderson.

Kussowlie station order dated the 7th ult., directing Lieut. H. L. Young, gen. list, inf., arrived with convalescents, to do duty with the depot.

Leave of Absence:—

Royal Art.—Capt. E. L. Earle (E baty. 16th brig.), in ext., to remain in England, for 6 mo.

17th Lancers.—Cornet W. Watt, to remain in

India after the embarkation of his regt., pending an application for his exc. into the 3rd drag. guards.

4th Foot.—Col. W. Wilby (comdg. 1st batln.), from date of embarkation, to England, for 6 mo.

7th Foot.—Lieut. G. L. Harvey (1st batln.), from Feb. 16 to March 15, to Calcutta, to appear before a medical board.

12th Foot.—Capt. H. P. Pearson (2nd batln.), from Feb. 1 to March 31, in ext., to remain in Calcutta on private affairs.

34th Foot.—Lieut. col. J. Maxwell, from April 30 to July 31, in ext., to remain in England on private affairs.

38th Foot.—Ens. W. St. J. Young, from date of embarkation, to England by the overland route, to appear before a medical board.

81st Foot.—Ens. J. DeM. Armstrong, to precede his regt. to England by the overland route, at his own expense.

106th Foot.—Capt. E. S. K. Dawson, from date of departure from Bombay, to England for 15 mo., on private affairs.

Rifle Brigade.—Maj. G. E. Rose (3rd batln., A. D. C. to C. in C. in India), from date of embarkation, to England, for 15 mo., on private affairs, doing duty with troops on the voyage.

Late 38th N.I.—Maj. J. P. Sherriff, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to visit Mussoorie on private affairs.

Gen. List Inf.—Lieut. J. A. D. Gordon (doing duty 41st N.I.), from Feb. 6 to Aug. 6, to visit Calcutta for the purpose of studying the native languages.

Medical Dept.—Asst. surg. G. C. Cheshaye (att. to the Allahabad gen. hospital), from Feb. 20 to March 28, to Calcutta, to appear before a medical board.

Military Letters.

DRESS REGULATIONS.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM ADDRESSED TO THE ARMY IN INDIA.

Horse Guards, S.W., March 10, 1862.

General Number 188.

1. H.R.H. having, in concurrence with the Sec. of State for War, and the Sec. of State for India, decided on the following regs. respecting the uniform of officers of the Indian staff corps, they are now published for future guidance:—

2. Staff corps officers serving in depts. will wear the uniform of the dept. with the staff corps button and waistplate, in lieu of the dept. button and waistplate.

3. Staff corps officers serving in regts. will wear the regt. uniform without any alteration.

4. Staff corps officers unemployed may wear the uniform of the corps or dept. in which they last served.

5. Staff corps officers employed in situations for which no other uniform is appd. will, when it may be proper for them to appear as milly. officers, wear the unattached uniform, as laid down in the dress regs., with the following exceptions:—

Lace.—Staff pattern.

Button.—Staff corps pattern.

Sword Belt.—Gold lace, staff pattern.

Waistplate.—Staff corps pattern.

Scabbard.—Brass.

6. Staff Corps Button.—Gilt convex, frosted, with scalloped edge; cypher V.R. in a garter, surmounted by a Crown, the words Bengal, Madras, or Bombay staff corps in the garter.

7. Staff Corps Waistplate.—A round gilt clasp, with the cypher V.R. and a Crown on the centre-piece, and the words Bengal, Madras, or Bombay staff corps on the other circle.

Patterns are deposited in the pattern room at the Horse Guards.

By command,
JAMES YORKE SCARLETT, Adjt. gen.

CIRCULAR TO OFFICERS COMMANDING DIVISIONS, BRIGADES AND STATIONS.

Adjt. gen.'s Office, Head quarters, Simla,
July 8, 1863.

The C. in C. having observed that the dress regs. are frequently disregarded by officers of all ranks, H.E. is pleased to direct that the orders of the army on this head shall be more scrupulously attended to in future.

When officers appear in uniform they are to wear the full-dress or undress prescribed in H.M.'s regs., but they are on no account to appear in a mixture of both dresses, at present not an uncommon practice.

Officers serving in staff departments for which no dress is prescribed in the regulations, will, if they belong to the Staff Corps, wear the uniform of that corps, or if they do not belong to it, then the dress

of their former regiment; but they are not permitted to wear the uniform prescribed for the General Staff of the army, as is now often the case.

The C. in C. will hold general and commanding officers responsible that the foregoing instructions are rigidly obeyed within the limits of their respective commands.

By order,
E. HAYTHORNE, Colonel, Adjutant-general.

VETERINARY SURGEONS.

No. 267.—The following military letter from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India, No. 368 of Nov. 23, 1864, and the Royal Warrant therein referred to, are published for general information, and the Governments of Fort St. George and Bombay, and H.E. the C. in C. in India, are requested to give effect to the instructions conveyed in para. 4 of the letter, by forwarding to this department, for transmission to H.M.'s Government, Returns of the Veterinary Surgeons who may be desirous of entering H.M.'s general service on the conditions laid down:—

Military, No. 368.

India Office, London, Nov. 23, 1864.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

Sir,—I have been in communication with the Secretary of State for War on the questions raised in the letters of April 15, Aug. 30, Sept. 19, May 5, May 31, and June 22, 1864, regarding the position of the veterinary surgeons of the Indian service who may declare for general service in H.M.'s army.

2. I stated that it appeared to me that such of these veterinary surgeons as might volunteer for general service would become an integral part of H.M.'s army, and hold the same position as the veterinary surgeons in that army; that they would be considered to have terminated all connection with their former service; and that they would be allowed to reckon their past service towards pay, promotion, and half-pay on retirement under the provisions of the Royal Warrant of July 1, 1859.

3. The Secretary of State for War has expressed his concurrence in these views.

4. This decision should now be communicated for the information of the veterinary surgeons of the local forces at the three Presidencies, and a return of the veterinary surgeons desirous, on such conditions, to enter H.M.'s general service, should be transmitted to me for communication to the Secretary of State for War.

5. The connection, with the respective military funds of such of the veterinary surgeons of the local forces as may volunteer for, and be accepted for H.M.'s general service, will depend upon the regulations of the funds of their respective Presidencies.—I have, &c., (Signed) C. Wood.

VICTORIA R.

Whereas it hath been represented to Us that it is expedient to raise the position and rank of the veterinary surgeons of Our army, and to increase the pay and half-pay of the officers of that service; Our will and pleasure is, that from and after the date of this Our Royal Warrant, the following rules shall be established for the admission, promotion, and retirement, and for the pay, half-pay, relative rank, and allowances of the veterinary surgeons of Our army, and that by these rules Our Commander-in-Chief shall be governed in recommending officers for admission, promotion, and retirement.

1. The grades of veterinary surgeons in Our army shall be three in number, viz.:—

1. Staff veterinary surgeon.

2. Veterinary surgeon of the first-class.

3. Veterinary surgeon.

2. No candidate shall be admitted into the veterinary department of the army until he shall have satisfactorily passed an examination before a board of military veterinary surgeons.

3. No veterinary surgeon shall be eligible for promotion until he shall have passed such examination as Our Principal Secretary of State for War may require, and shall have served on full pay with the commission of veterinary surgeon for five years.

4. A veterinary surgeon of the first-class must have served 15 years in the army with a commission on full pay before he will be eligible for promotion to the rank of staff veterinary surgeon.

5. In cases, however, of emergency, or when the good of the service renders such alteration necessary, it shall be competent for Our Secretary of State for War to abrogate the several periods of service above-mentioned in such manner as he shall deem fit and expedient.

6. Promotion from one rank to another shall not

mag. of Nellore, but to continue to act as under sec. to Govt. in the rev. dept., during the employ. of Mr. C. G. Master on other duty.

Mr. W. Wilson, to be head asst. to the coll. and mag. of the Kistna dist.

March 14.—Mr. F. Brandt, asst. to coll. and mag. of the Kistna dist., to act as under sec. to Govt. in the depts. under the chief sec., during the abs. of Mr. Walker on leave.

Capt. G. V. Winscom, R.E., exec. engr. 1st class, to be superint. engr. 2nd div., from the date on which Lieut. col. Anderson may deliver over charge.

Lieut. col. C. P. Molony, 25th regt. N.I., to be exec. engr., 3rd class, and to be posted to the Kistna district.

Asst. surg. J. Bilderbeck, to be civil surg. of Cuddalore.

Asst. surg. F. O. B. Wither, to act as civil surg. of Guntoor, during the abs. of Mr. Parker on leave.

Sub asst. surg. D. R. Thompson, M.D., to act as civil surg. of Tillicherry.

Asst. surg. J. Shortt, M.D., gen. supnt. of vaccination, assumed charge of his office on Jan. 24 last, and not on the 24th ult.

March 14.—Lieut. col. J. C. Anderson, R.E., to be consulting engr. for railways on lieut. col. O'Connell's departure on furl.

March 15.—Capt. (brevet major) J. B. Klocker, to be prob. supnt. of police in Jeypore.

Mr. J. W. Cherry (on leave) to be civil and sess. judge of Ootacamund.

Mr. C. F. Chamier, to be civil and sess. judge of Salem.

Lieut. H. Porteous, prob. asst. superint. of police in Vizagapatam, to act as asst. superint. of police in Ganjam, during the absence of Capt. R. H. Cunliffe, on leave.

Lieut. C. Gordon, prob. asst. superint. of police in Cuddapah, to act as asst. superint. of police in Vizagapatam, during the employment of Lieut. H. Porteous on other duty.

Mr. P. M. Jones to be asst. superint. of police, 2nd class, in the Godavery district.

Mr. E. G. Balfour, deputy inspector gen. of hospitals, Mr. S. Norton, the Town Sub-Mag. of Bellary, to be members of the Municipal Committee for the Civil Pettahs of Bellary.

Major C. C. Mason, late 48th regt. N.I., to be a lay trustee of the church at Waltair, v. Maj. Clarke.

Mr. W. H. Atkinson, head clerk of the office of the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to be marriage registrar of Travancore, v. Mr. F. L. D'Lemos, res.

No. 85.—March 11.—Leave of absence:—

Lieut. A. M. Black, inf. gen. list, doing duty with the 6th regt. N.I., to Eur., on m.c., for 20 mo., under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Capt. (brev. lieut. col.) W. S. Simpson, late 48th regt. N.I., doing duty 17th regt. N.I., to Eur., on m.c., for 20 mo.

Capt. T. R. Church, staff corps, acting qmr. and interpreter 22nd regt. N.I., to Eur., on m.c., for 20 mo.

Lieut. B. H. Preston, late 2nd Eur. L.I., doing duty 31st regt. L.I., to Eur., on furl., for 2 years.

Surg. major R. R. Suttleffe, medical dept., on m.c. for 20 mo., to Eur., under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Asst. surg. R. Arnold, medical dept., on m.c. for 20 mo., to Eur., under furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Lieut. R. C. Budd, 39th regt. N.I., on m.c. for 20 mo., to Eur., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Lieut. F. E. Spry, inf. gen. list, doing duty 30th regt. N.I., is perm. to proc. to Calcutta on furl. for 4 mo., from March 20, the first 60 days being priv. leave.

Royal Art.—Capt. C. J. McMahon, No. 5 baty. 17th brig., from date of embark. to England and Australia, for 15 mo.

1st Foot.—Lieut. G. Hall, 1st batt., from date of embark. to England, on m.c.

19th Foot.—Lieut. G. A. Warden, 1st batt., from date of embark. to England, via the Cape, on m.c.

60th Foot.—Capt. H. Semple, 3rd batt., from date of embark. to England, for 15 mo.

66th Foot.—Asst. surg. N. Avent, from date of embark. to England, for 12 mo.

108th Foot.—Lieut. col. C. W. Moore, from Nov. 20, 1864, to Dec. 8, 1864, to visit Bombay.

Late 47th Regt. N.I.—Capt. (Brev. maj.) J. W. Rutherford, doing duty 24th regt. N.I., from date of departure, Madras, m.c.

Late 8th Regt. L.C.—Capt. A. E. Arbuthnot, doing duty 1st regt. L.C., from date of departure, Madras, m.c.

Staff Corps.—Capt. F. G. Hodgson, brig. maj., Trichinopoly, from March 11 to Nov. 10, Neilgherries, m.c.

1st "or King's" Drag. Gds.—Lieut. H. C. Lloyd, in ext., to remain at Bangalore till April 1.

Inf., Gen. List.—Lieut. E. H. Fisher, doing duty 39th regt. N.I., from Feb. 23 to March 1, to enable him to join.

Capt. (Brev. maj.) J. W. Rutherford, cadre 47th regt. N.I., doing duty 24th regt. N.I., and Lieut. W. T. Brereton, cadre 49th regt. N.I., doing duty 28th regt. N.I., on m.c. for 20 mo., to Eur., and to embark from Madras.

Lieut. (Brev. capt.) G. Stedman, 23rd regt. L.I., is perm. to proceed to Calcutta and Dinapore for 4 mo., from date of departure.

Surg. major R. R. Suttleffe, med. dept., on m.c. for 20 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

March 14.—Asst. surg. R. Arnold, med. dept., Lieut. R. C. Budd, 39th regt. N.I., on m.c. for 20 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Lieut. F. E. Spry, inf. gen. list, doing duty 30th regt. N.I., is permitted to proceed to Calcutta on furl. for 4 mo., from March 20, the 1st 60 days being privilege leave.

Lieut. col. J. Carpendale, of the royal (Madras) engr., Mint masler and comr. of the dept. of issue of paper currency, on m.c. for 20 mo., to Eur. under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals J. H. Orr, Madras med. estab.

Capt. J. L. Ferrers, 3rd regt. Madras L.C.

Royal Horse Art.—2nd Capt. D. D. Anderson (D brig.), from date of embarkation at Madras to England, to appear before a med. board.

Royal Art.—Lieut. W. M. D. Wright, No. 2 baty. 17th brig., from date of embarkation at Madras to England, by overland route, m.c.; Capt. H. E. Hicks, 23rd brigade, from date of embarkation at Madras to England, for 15 mo.

1st Drag. Gds.—Capt. J. E. Edlmann, from date of embarkation to England, for 15 mo.

102nd Foot.—Capt. F. Samwell, paymr., from date of embarkation at Madras to England, m.c.

108th Foot.—Lieut. J. H. Shaw, from date of embarkation at Bombay to England, for 15 mo.

76th Foot.—Major T. W. Cator, from March 15 to April 30, 1865; Capt. C. T. Caldecott, from March 15 to June 30; Capt. J. H. Tripp, from March 15 to June 30; Capt. J. M. D. Allardice, from March 15 to June 15; Lieut. E. R. Bartleet, from March 20 to June 30; Lieut. A. E. Pearce, from March 15 to May 31; Lieut. G. Alexander, from March 18 to June 15; Lieut. D. C. DeWend, from March 15 to May 31; Lieut. G. D. Cookson, from March 15 to May 31; Ensign T. W. Best, from March 15 to May 31.

20th Regt. N.I.—Capt. (Brev. maj.) L. R. de M. Hutchison, from April 5 to Aug. 5—Bangalore, Madras and Neilgherries, private affairs.

8th Regt. N.I.—Capt. (Brev. maj.) A. Child, from May 9 to June 7—Madras, private affairs.

102nd Foot.—Lieut. G. H. W. Tremeneere, from date of departure, for 4 mo.—Neilgherries, private affairs.

Inf. Gen. List.—Lieut. W. H. St. A. Wilton, doing duty 32nd regt. N.I., from April 10 to Oct. 9—Madras.

28th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. A. Godfrey, from date of departure, for 6 mo.—Western Coast.

Med. Dept.—Surg. W. H. Harris, on med. charge sappers and miners, from date of departure, for 60 days—Bangalore and Neilgherries, priv. leave.

30th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. col. G. G. MacDonell, from Feb. 21, or date of departure—Madras, m.c.

Late 2nd E.L.I.—Lieut. (brevet capt.) J. H. E. Johnson, doing duty 6th regt. N.I., from March 13 to April 11, to Ootacamund.

Late 49th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. W. T. Brereton, from date of departure, to Madras, on m.c.

108th Foot.—Lieut. C. S. Hunt, from March 22 to June 21, the first 60 days to be priv. leave to Bangalore and the Neilgherries.

108th Foot.—Lieut. A. H. Laurie, from March 22 to June 21, the first 60 days to be priv. leave to the Neilgherries, to proc. via Bombay.

Inf. Gen. List.—Lieut. C. Walker, doing duty 33rd regt. N.I., from March 2 to May 1, in cont., to Madras.

1st (King's) Dragoon Guards.—Cornet A. J. A. H. Coates, from March 1 to March 30, to Bangalore.

Capt. A. E. Arbuthnot, late 8th regt. L.C., doing duty with the 1st regt. L.C., on m.c. for 15 mo., to Eur., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Capt. F. Templer, Eur. veterans, on m.c. for 6

mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Lieut. col. R. O'Connell, 14th brig. R.A., from Dec. 21, 1864, to Sept. 21, 1865.

Capt. F. H. Thompson, 23rd brig. R.A., from Jan. 20, 1864, to Sept. 20, 1865.

Lieut. J. Ketchen, D brig. R.H.A., from Jan. 18, 1864, to Oct. 18, 1865.

Capt. R. C. Henchy, D brig. R.H.A., from Jan. 18, 1864, to June 1, 1865, in ext.

Major C. H. Harrison, R.A., from Dec. 14, 1864, to June 14, 1865.

Capt. and adjt. J. McNeill, 17th brig. R.A., from Dec. 16, 1864, to June 16, 1865.

Lieut. col. F. G. Nuthall, 20th brig. R.A., from Dec. 16, 1864, to Dec. 16, 1865.

Promotion.

Brevet.—Capt. H. C. Z. Claridge, of the 37th gren., to be major from March 2.

Appointments and Promotions.

Lieut. J. F. Pierson, of the royal (Madras) arty., to be A.D.C., and Capt. F. W. Hamilton, of H.M.'s 21st fus., to be extra A.D.C. to H.E. the Gov., with effect from March 14.

22nd Regt. N.I.

Senior Lieut. H. F. Dakeyne (capt. in the staff corps) to have the position of capt., v. Mitchell, dec., Feb. 23.

Cadre 44th Regt. N.I.

Major G. Paxton to be lieut. col. by brevet, from March 10.

Surg. major W. G. Prichard, M.D., to be dep. insp. gen. of hospitals, with temp. rank, during abs. on leave to Eur. of Dep. insp. gen. J. H. Orr, C.B., and M.D., and with effect from March 1.

19th Regt. N.I.—Capt. A. E. Bowen to be major by brevet, from March 19, 1865.

March 17.—Appointments:—

Major G. Baldock, staff corps, to be staff officer and superint. of details, Fort St. George, with effect from March 11.

Capt. (brevet major) J. R. Boswell, cadre 51st regt. N.I., to be in charge of pensioners and holders of family certificates at Ellore.

The services of Lieut. Q. S. A. Jamieson, 22nd regt. N.I., are placed at disposal of Government of India in the home dept., for appointment as an offic. asst. superint. of police in British Burmah.

March 21.—Returned to duty:—

Capt. W. H. White, cadre 49th regt. N.I., doing duty 35th regt. N.I., arrived at Penang Jan. 12.

Capt. H. T. Stuart, staff corps, arrived at Madras March 11.

Lieut. T. C. Briggs, inf. gen. list, doing duty 21st regt. N.I., arrived at Madras March 11.

No. 104.—Maj. G. Baldock, of the staff corps, returned to his duty by permission of the home Govt. March 11, and is granted an ext. up to that date of the leave to Eur. for 20 mo., which expires on the 9th idem.

Asst. surg. H. Webster, med. dept.—Arrived at Madras March 10.

Capt. T. W. Stansfield, staff corps, sub asst. comsy. gen., 1st class, who arrived at Cannanore March 6, returned to his duty by permission of the home Govt., without prejudice to his rank.

Retirement.—The ret. from the serv., by the sale of his commis., of Lieut. B. H. Davidson, 3rd batt. 60th rifles, is accepted by the C. in C. in India, subject to app. by H.M.; dated Feb. 8.

Removals.—Maj. W. J. Doveton, 38th regt. N.I., from doing duty under orders of officer comdg. centre div., to do duty 1st regt. N.I.; to join.

Lieut. H. H. C. G. Warrington, late 3rd Madras Eur. regt., from doing duty 14th regt. N.I., to do duty 7th regt. N.I.; on duty at the public expense.

Capt. C. L. Pereira, staff corps, from doing duty under orders of officer comdg. Mysore div., to do duty 33rd regt. N.I.

Maj. A. W. Drayner, from doing duty under orders of officer comdg. Mysore div., to do duty 33rd regt. N.I.

Capt. H. T. Stuart, staff corps, is appd. to do duty under the orders of the officer comdg. centre div.

Lieut. H. G. Heath, 1st batt. 18th royal Irish regt., having signified his intention of being a candidate for the staff corps, he is appd. to do duty with the 2nd regt. L.C., in view to qualifying for admission to the staff corps.

Postings:—

Asst. surg. D. Campbell, M.D., to 36th regt. N.I., to join forthwith, via Bombay, at the public expense.

Asst. surg. H. Webster, to do duty 21st regt. N.I., to join without delay.

Staff Corps.—Capt. J. W. Rideout and W. Rose, having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be majors, from

March 2, 1865, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

Lieut. A. A. Johnson, having completed 12 years' service, 4 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt., from March 14, 1865, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

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The underment. officers having applied for admission to the staff corps, are admitted thereto from the dates specified against their names, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Sec. of State for India.

Lieut. A. Cook, 82nd regt. N.I., to be supnt. of police, British Burmah, late qrmr. and interp. of his corps, from Feb. 19, 1861.

Lieut. M. M. Bowie, royal (Madras) arty., to be asst. comnr. Central Provs., from June 30, 1863.

March 15.—Mr. J. Fraser, offic. coll. and mag. of Godavery dist., delivered over charge of the dist. to T. A. N. Chase on the 4th inst.

Lieut. F. B. Boone, 6th N.I., late acting superint. of police; services are replaced at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C.

The Rev. T. Hodson is granted a licence, under sect. iv. of Act XXV. of 1864, for solemnizing marriages within the territories subject to the Govt. of Madras.

Capt. H. S. Robinson, superint. of police, Kurnool, has been granted leave for 3 mo.

Mr. D. L'Flour, auditor, 1st class, in the pay examiner's office, has been granted leave for 1 mo., from 4th inst., under sect. xvii. and xx. of Rule V. of the rev. uncov. ser. abs. rules.

Mr. T. Pritchard, assist. director of revenue settlement, to be 4th class dep. coll. of Vizagapatam, v. A. V. N. Row, resigned, and to have charge of the salt dept., but to continue attached to the settlement dept. until fur. orders.

BIRTHS.

BRICE—At Bangalore, March 21, the wife of Brig.-Gen. E. Brice, C.B., Bart., of a son.

CORDOZO—At Cotgreave-house, Madras, March 20, the wife of J. B. Cordozo, Esq., of a son.

CRAMPTON—At Vepery, March 8, the wife of Mr. T. C. Crampton, of a son.

HAMBLEM—At Chetput, March 11, the wife of E. J. Hamblen, Esq., of a daughter.

ROGERS—At Bangalore, on March 6, the wife of Garrison surg. Rogers, of a son.

WILKINSON—At Beypore, on March 12, the wife of A. T. Wilkinson, Esq., of a daughter.

WRIGHT—At Mercara, on the 14th March, the wife of Mr. W. Wright, of Lowden Valley Estate, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

PRIDMORE—PURVIS.—At the Wesleyan Chapel, Blacktown, on the 22nd March, Mr. Henry Pridmore to Miss Eliza Purvis.

DEATHS.

LLEWELYN—At Calcutta, William Thomas Llewelyn, aged 49.

WILSON—At the residence of A. C. Mortimer, Esq., Kitoolamoola, Ceylon, on the 15th March, George Baxter Wilson, Esq., Gallaha Estate, aged 20.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c., IN H.M.'s REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA.
April 18.

6th Dragoon Guards.—Lieut. J. Blake, from half-pay, late Turkish Contingent, to be lieut., v. J. J. N. Buchanan, prom. to an unattached company, without purch.; Cornet A. C. S. Barkly to be lieut., by purch., v. Blake, who retires; H. Burnley, gent., to be cornet, by purch., v. Barkly; April 18.

Royal Artillery.—The promotion of 2nd Capt. W. H. Caine to be antedated to Feb. 6. Lieut. A. Wynch to be 2nd capt., v. H. P. T. McCarthy, dec.; March 24. 2nd Capt. and brev. maj. H. C. S. Dyer, from the supernumerary list, to be 2nd capt., v. E. Keate, removed to the supernumerary list; Riding master T. Ritchie, from the military train, to be riding master, to complete establishment; April 1. Sergeant major C. Jones to be riding master, to complete establishment; April 18.

plete establishment; April 18. The name of the captain who was gazetted to the Madras artillery is J. R. Magrath, not McGrath, as stated in the Gazette of April 29, 1862.

Royal Engineers.—Gent. cadet P. S. G. Reid, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., with temp. rank, v. A. J. W. Cumming, dec.; April 18.

Military Train.—Lieut. R. Bruce to be capt., v. E. R. Berry, who retires upon half-pay, having been app. a staff officer of pensioners; April 18.

12th Foot.—Lieut. H. Nesbitt to be capt., without purch., v. Brev. maj. H. Cole, deceased; Ensign W. B. Ferris to be lieut., without purch., v. Nesbitt; Dec. 15. Gent. cadet A. E. Gordon, from the Royal Military College, to be ensign, without purch., v. Ferris; April 18.

21st Foot.—Lieut. G. Gilmour to be capt., by purch., v. R. B. Gaskell, who ret.; Ensign F. W. Burr to be lieut., by purch., v. Gilmour; W. R. Tredennick, gent., to be ensign, by purch., v. Burr; April 18.

33rd Foot.—Maj. T. H. Cockburn, from half-pay late 43rd foot, to be maj., v. H. C. Fitzgerald, who ret. upon half-pay; Capt. T. B. Fanshawe to be maj., by purch., v. Cockburn, who ret.; Lieut. W. Bally to be capt., by purch., v. Fanshawe; Ensign C. A. Carthew to be lieut., by purch., v. Bally; W. L. L. Downes, gent., to be ensign, by purch., v. Carthew; April 18.

39th Foot.—Lieut. F. H. Chambers to be capt., by purch., v. J. Agnew, who ret.; Ensign T. Boydell to be lieut., by purch., v. Chambers; A. M. Le Marchant, T. Le Marchant, gent., to be ensign, by purch., v. Boydell; April 18.

107th Foot.—Ensign E. A. Down to be lieut., v. R. Brown, who res.; April 18.

Rifle Brigade.—Ensign W. M. W. C. Burrell to be lieut., by purch., v. T. R. Parr, who ret.; L. Egerton, Viscount Cole, to be ensign, by purch., v. Burrell; April 18.

DEPOT BATTALION.

Qrmr. J. Connor, from half-pay late depot battalion, to be qrmr., v. W. Brown, who retires upon half-pay; April 18.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

A. Johnston, M.D., to be staff asst. surg., v. F. L. G. Gunn, prom.; April 24.

BREVET.

Qrmr. W. Browne, retired upon half-pay, late of depot battalion, to have the hon. rank of captain; April 18.

The undermentioned promotions to take place consequent on the decease of Gen. Sir J. W. Guise, Bart., G.C.B., colonel 85th foot, on April 1:—

Lieut. gen. Sir C. R. O'Donnell, colonel 18th hussars, to be general; April 2.

Maj. gen. the Hon. A. A. Dalzell, colonel 48th foot, to be lieut. general; April 2.

Brev. col. H. R. Jones, C.B., from Lieut. colonel half-pay, late 6th dragoon guards, to be major general; April 2.

Maj. W. H. D. Fitzgerald, unattached, to be lieut. colonel; April 2.

Capt. H. T. Richmond, unattached, staff officer of pensioners, to be major; April 2.

MEMORANDUM.

The commission of the late Capt. and brev. major T. Smith, half-pay unattached, late staff officer of pensioners, who died on the 7th January last, has been sold under the conditions of the Horse Guards' Circular Memorandum of Feb. 18, 1861; April 18.

April 25.

Royal Artillery.—Surg. J. Mee having completed 20 years full pay service, to be surg. major, under Royal Warrant of Oct. 1, 1858; March 28.

1st Foot.—Lieut. J. W. Turnbull, from 8rd West India regt., to be lieut., v. G. Hall, who retires upon temp. half pay; April 25.

7th Foot.—Lieut. C. F. Powell, from 13th foot, to be lieut., v. Penrose, who exch.; April 25.

81st Foot.—Lieut. H. R. Young, from 106th foot, to be lieut., v. S. Menteth, who exch.; Feb. 4.

91st Foot.—Lieut. W. Grant to be adj., v. Lieut. W. O. Wade, who has resigned the appointment; Feb. 20.

102nd Foot.—Gent. cadet W. J. Morse, from Royal Military College, to be ensign, v. S. D. Turnbull, transferred to 21st hussars; April 25.

105th Foot.—Gent. cadet J. Abercrombie, from Royal Military College, to be ensign, v. W. G. C. Halkett, transferred to 104th foot; April 25.

106th Foot.—Lieut. W. A. C. S. Menteth, from 81st foot, to be lieut., v. Young, who exch.; Feb. 4.

107th Foot.—Gent. cadet W. F. Cayave, from Royal Military College, to be ensign, v. E. A. Dowd, prom.; April 25.

108th Foot.—Gent. cadet H. F. S. Nall, from Royal Military College, to be ensign, v. F. W. Graham, prom.; April 25.

BREVET.

Major gen. Sir J. Michel, K.C.B., to have the local rank of lieut. gen. in British North America, April 25.

The commission as major of 2nd Capt. J. Bonus, royal (late Bombay) engr., to bear date March 1, 1864.

The underment. proms. to take place in H.M.'s Indian mily. forces, consequent on the decease of Gen. R. C. Andree, Bengal inf., on March 27; Gen. M. Boyd, Bengal inf., on April 8; Lieut. gen. Sir S. W. Steele, K.C.B., Madras inf., March 11; and Maj. gen. J. Matthie, Bengal inf., on March 28:—

To be Generals.

Lieut. gen. F. Young, Bengal inf., March 28.
Lieut. gen. Sir T. M. Douglas, K.C.B., Bengal inf., April 9.

To be Lieutenant Generals.

Major gen. C. D. Wilkinson, C.B., Bengal inf., March 12.

Major gen. W. Taylor, Madras inf., March 28.
Major gen. W. Watkins, Madras inf., April 9.

To be Major Generals.

Col. J. E. Landers, Bengal inf., March 12.
Col. E. R. Mainwaring, Bengal inf., March 28.

Col. R. C. Moore, C.B., Royal (late Madras) art.; March 29.

Col. A. Tucker, C.B., Bengal cav.; April 9.

The undermentioned officers, who have retired upon full-pay, to have a step of honorary rank as follows:—

To be Colonels.

Lieut. col. S. R. Tickell, Bengal Staff Corps; April 28.

Lieut. col. A. J. Kelso, Madras cav.; April 25.
Lieut. col. R. J. Edgell, Bengal inf.; April 25.

To be Lieutenant-Colonels.

Major W. Hornidge, Madras inf.; April 25.

To be Major.

Capt. A. Crawford, Bengal inf.; April 25.

MEMORANDUM.

The exchange between Qrmr. J. E. Tripp, 12th foot, and Qrmr. M. Lyne, 107th foot, which was notified in the Gazette of the 4th inst., has been cancelled, the former officer having died on Feb. 18.

The Victoria Cross.

WAR-OFFICE, April 21.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to signify her intention to confer the decoration of the Victoria Cross on the undermentioned midshipmen and seamen of the Royal Navy, whose claims to the same have been submitted for her Majesty's approval, on account of the gallantry displayed by them during the operations in the Straits of Simonsaki, Japan, as recorded against their names, viz.:—

Mr. Duncan Gordon Boyes, midshipman of her Majesty's ship *Euryalus*, and Thomas Pride, captain of the afterguard of her Majesty's ship *Euryalus*; date of acts of bravery, Sept. 6, 1864. For the conspicuous gallantry which, according to the testimony of Captain Alexander, C.B., at that time flag captain to Vice-Admiral Sir Augustus Kuper, K.C.B., Mr. Boyes displayed on the occasion of the capture of the enemy's stockade. He carried a colour with the leading company, kept it in advance of all, in the face of the thickest fire, his colour-sergeants having fallen, one mortally, the other dangerously wounded, and he was only detained from proceeding yet further by the orders of his superior officer. The colour he carried was six times pierced by musket balls. Thomas Pride, captain of the afterguard, the survivor of the two colour-sergeants who supported Mr. Boyes in the gallant rush which he made in advance of the attack, is also recommended for the Victoria Cross for his conduct on this occasion.

William Seeley, ordinary seaman of her Majesty's ship *Euryalus*; date of act of bravery, Sept. 6, 1864.—For the intelligence and daring which, according to the testimony of Lieut. Edwards, commanding the third company, he exhibited in ascertaining the enemy's position, and for continuing to retain his position in front, during the advance, after he had been wounded in the arm.

DR. JOYNT has been appointed acting Surgeon to the European General Hospital at Bombay.

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THE STORY OF CAWNPORE.*

TOLD in simple, manly language, the story of the Cawnpore tragedy could not fail to move the sternest heart to the tenderest emotion. It has been reserved, however, for Mr. G. O. Trevelyan to achieve the almost impossible task of rendering the narrative of that fearful drama wearisome and uninteresting. And he has accomplished this difficult feat in two ways—by indulging in the affectation of sentiment, and by striving to be funny at the gravest and most serious points in his tale. He has taken for his model in style the very worst writers of the facetious school, and has shown himself an apt and worthy pupil. And when the jocose vein fails him, he has recourse to what the Americans would call "tall writing," and a sickly sentimentality. Had he been content to tell the story of Cawnpore within the limits of an article in the *Edinburgh Review*, he would probably have succeeded in commanding the attention of English readers to the end of time. But in imposing on himself the necessity of spinning out an octavo volume he at once deprived himself of every element of success. In preferring a large quantity of tinsel to a few grains of pure gold, and the commonest paste to a genuine diamond, Mr. Trevelyan has done his best to spoil one of the most touching themes of modern history, just as a buzzing bluebottle-fly taints the sweetest meat. He is not even accurate, where accuracy was most easy of attainment. The Raja of Sattara, he informs his readers in a footnote, was no other than Bajee Rao, the Peishwah, and so little does he appear to know of the active treachery that led to the final chastisement of Mehidpore, that he accuses the British Government of having been "urged by that painful necessity of taking what belongs to others, which is the inevitable result of all our dealings with Oriental Powers," when it dethroned Bajee Rao, confiscated his territories, and assigned him as a residence the native fortress of Bithoor.

* "Cawnpore." By G. O. Trevelyan. Macmillan and Co.

The truth was, as every reader of Mr. Kaye's excellent "Life of Sir John Malcolm" must be aware, the Peishwah had sinned beyond all human forbearance, and was dealt with only too leniently by the generous and gallant soldier who was the final instrument of his overthrow.

With regard to the multifarious causes that combined to produce the mutiny, Mr. Trevelyan is not less dogmatic than flip-pant. He lays it down as an incontrovertible fact that "the real motive of the mutiny was the ambition of the soldiery." "They looked forward," he says, "to the time when Soubahdars and Jemmadars should be Maharajahs and Nawabs; when the taxes should be collected by sepoy receivers-general, and paid into sepoy treasuries; when every private should have his zenana full of the loveliest daughters of Lahore and Rohilcund; when great landholders from Bundelcund and Orissa should come with cases of diamonds to beg a favourable decision from Mungul Pandey; when great merchants from Liverpool and Marseilles should come with bags of sovereigns to ask leave of Peer Bux to establish a factory at Mutlah or Chandernagore." To any one who has the slightest knowledge of the Bengal sepoy all this "fine writing" must appear the most childish and senseless nonsense; but, unfortunately, there are many weak-minded persons in this country who are quite capable of attaching importance to this pretentious verbiage. He even goes so far as to say that it was "when the first dull rumour of the coming crisis began to be hinted" that Jung Bahadoor "paid a visit to England on purpose to learn for himself what the state of the case really was." He might have said, with almost equal reason, that it was because he had dreamed of the grants-in-aid system that Rammohun Roy crossed the "black waters" of the Indian Ocean. He admits, however, that the greased cartridges had something to do with the outbreak, though he superciliously ignores the gradual accumulation of causes so clearly and powerfully exposed by the historian of "The Sepoy War." He tells us, indeed, that "in January the peasants of Bengal were repeating to each other a sentence apparently devoid of meaning, '*Subalhogahi*'—'Everything is to become red';" and it may certainly be allowed that a native would find some difficulty in attaching any very definite significance to four words which, literally translated, run as follows:—"Everything red shall be is." Mr. Trevelyan has probably heard of Runjeet Singh's sad and prophetic exclamation, only that the one-eyed ruler of the Punjab happened to express himself in correct Oordoo.

There is also some reason to believe that in speaking of the Nana Sahib Mr. Trevelyan has made the common mistake,

pointed out by Mr. Kaye, of confounding the Bithoor chieftain with Nana Nerain Rao, the eldest son of the ex-Peishwah's chief adviser and manager, the Soubahdar Ramchunder Punt. The latter mixed familiarly with English officers, and seemed to affect their society, while the former seldom moved beyond the limits of his own estate. Forgetting, too, that the Nana was only an adopted son, and, therefore, not necessarily nurtured in "the lap of luxury," he delivers himself of no small quantity of fustian in order to account for that miscreant's corpulence. As a fair specimen of Mr. Trevelyan's favourite style, we extract his description of the Nana's personal appearance:—

At the time of the mutiny the Nana was about thirty-six years of age. His complexion was sallow; his features strongly marked, and not unpleasing. Like all Maharrattas, both head and face were shaven clean. He was fat, with that unhealthy corpulence which marks the Eastern voluptuary. The circumstances under which a young Rajah comes to maturity leave him very scant chance of obtaining perfection, moral or physical. From his earliest years he is surrounded by flatterers and pandars. While still a child in the harem, it is the object of every one, beginning with his own mother, to obtain his ear by adulation, and by the free-masonry of corrupt discourse. During his boyhood he has no little peers on whom to exert his faculties for emulation and self-denial; and, when he has arrived at man's estate, he may look in vain for any object of honourable ambition amidst the dead level of national dependence. He never walks, save from his divan to his bath; never mounts one of the huge cream-coloured steeds, which on high feast-days amble behind his palanquin in melancholy cavalcade; never knows the sensation of honest fatigue and wholesome hunger. No whim ungratified; every propensity cherished and pampered; incapable of effort; incognisant of duty; he is vicious with deeper than Parisian immorality, and listless with more than Belgravian ennui. Long before the age at which a high-born Englishman makes his choice of Hercules between bulls and blue-books, the effete sensuality of a Hindoo noble is reduced to seek gratification in the illicit charms of Indian hemp and French brandy. What wonder that in middle life he is flabby and gross beyond hope and compass; too feeble for manly exercise, too self-indulgent to practise a self-denying regimen? It is to be presumed that a long course of lenti diet and hill-climbing in Nepaul has by this time reduced that superfluous bulk which may yet grace a Cawnpore gallows.

Without pausing to stigmatise the execrable taste conspicuous in the last sentence of this ridiculous passage, we give yet another extract touching the Nana's undying hatred to the English, which would bring down a round of applause from the gallery of a Shoreditch or Surrey Theatre:—

The Rajah played billiards admirably, while he was yet slim enough to bend over the table without inconvenience. He especially delighted in the game, because it afforded him an opportunity for mixing on familiar terms with the officers of the garrison. Nothing could exceed the cordiality which he constantly displayed in his intercourse with our countrymen. The persons in authority placed an implicit confidence in his friendliness and good faith, and the ensigns emphatically pronounced him a capital fellow. He had a nod or a kind word for every Sahib in the station; hunting-parties and jewellery for the men, and picnics and shawls for the ladies. If a subaltern's wife required change of air, the Rajah's carriage was at the service of the young couple, and the European apartments at Bithoor were put in order to receive them. If a civilian had overworked himself in court, he had but to speak the word, and the Rajah's elephants were sent on to the Oude jungles. But none the less did he never for an instant forget the grudge which he bore our

nation. While his face was all smiles, in his heart of hearts he brooded over the judgment of the Company, and the wrong of his despised claim. From his hour of repulse to his hour of vengeance, his life was one long irony. Thenceforward his story would more fitly be told in the wild and mysterious rhythms of the old Greek drama than in sober English prose; for in truth that story finds no parallel, save in the ghastly tales which hang like a mist of blood round the accursed house of Pelops. The lads who, with his sapphires and rubies glistening on their fingers, sat laughing round his Thyeatean table, had one and all been doomed to die by a warrant that admitted of no appeal. He had sworn that the injustice should be expiated by the blood of women who had never heard his grievance named; of babies who had been born years after the question of that grievance had passed into oblivion.

After all, the fairest way for both the author and the public is to select a few characteristic and truly representative passages, and allow each reader to judge for himself:—

INTERIOR OF A SUBALTERN'S BUNGALOW.

The principal door leads at once into the sitting-room, a spacious, ill-kept, comfortless apartment; the most conspicuous article being a huge, oblong frame of wood and canvas suspended across the ceiling, and the prevailing impression an overwhelming sense of the presence of cobwebs. The furniture, which is scattered about in most unadorned disorder, is in the last stage of dilapidation. Every article in an Anglo-Indian household bears witness to the fact that Englishmen regard themselves but as sojourners in the locality where fate and the quartermaster-general may have placed them. A large rickety table in the centre of the room is strewn with three or four empty soda-water bottles, a half-emptied bottle of brandy, a corkscrew, glasses, playing-cards, chessmen, an Hindostanee dictionary, an inkstand, a revolver, a bundle of letters, a box of cigars, the supplement of *Bell's Life*, and a few odd volumes from the regimental book-club—of no very seductive quality, like enough, for the colonel's lady has kept the new novels, and the doctor, who is secretary to the club, has impounded the biographies, so that our ensign is fain to put up with "Aids to Faith," and the third volume of the "History of the Inductive Sciences." Then there are eight or ten chairs, a good half of which might well claim to be invalidated on the score of wounds and long service; a couch with broken springs; a Japanese cabinet bought as a bargain when the old major was sold up; and an easy cane chair of colossal dimensions, the arms of which are prolonged and flattened, so as to accommodate the occupant with a resting-place for his feet. In one corner stands a couple of hog-spears, supple, tough, and duly weighted with lead and barbed with steel of proof; a regulation sword; a buggy-whip; a hunting-crop; a double-barrelled rifle and a shotgun—weapons which the owner depreciates as archaic, expressing his intention of providing himself during his first visit to Europe, with "By Jove, a complete outfit from Purdey, two double-barrelled breech-loaders, and a breech-loading rifle." On nails driven into the plaster hang a list of the men in the company to which the young fellow is attached; a caricature of the paymaster; a framed photograph of the cricket eleven of the public school where he was educated; and, if he be of a humorous turn, the last wiggling, or letter of admonition and reproof, received from the colonel of his regiment.

INDIA AS A TRAINING SCHOOL.

Nothing contributed so much to check the spread of the rebellion of 1857 as the individual courage and pugnacity of our countrymen resident in the East. Civil and military alike, they were all skilled in the use of weapons, and cool in the presence of personal danger. Such a habit of body and mind they acquired both for policy and for pleasure. Every Anglo-Indian is well aware that he is one of an imperial race, holding its own in the midst of a subject population by dint of foresight and martial prowess. There were villages of evil reputation which on the day of assessment the collector preferred to visit on the back of the steadiest Arab in his stables, with a favourite hog-spear carelessly balanced beside his right stirrup. There were notorious bits of roads where the traveller felt more comfortable if he heard from time to time the lock of his revolver clanking against the soda-water bottles in the pocket of his palanquin. Never was there a better training-school for warfare than the

Indian hunting-field. A man who has heard unmoved above his head the scream of a crippled elephant;—who behind his trusty Westley Richards has awaited, calm and collected, the last rush of a wounded tiger;—need not doubt what his behaviour may be in any possible emergency. He who, like more than one true sportsman, has hardly crawled away, bloody knife in hand, from the embrace of a dying bear,—who has kept at bay a forty-inch boar with the butt of his shivered lance;—will not be at a loss how to meet the charge of a mutinous trooper.

WITHIN THE INTRENCHMENTS.

By day and night the firing never ceased; the round shot crashed and spun through the windows, raked the earthwork, and skipped about the open ground in every corner of our position. The bullets cut the air, and pattered on the wall like hail. The great shells rolled hissing along the floors and down the trenches, and, bursting, spread around them a circle of wrack, and mutilation, and promiscuous destruction. In their blind and merciless career those iron messengers spared neither old nor young, nor combatants nor sufferers, but flew ever onwards, inflicting superfluous wounds and unavailing destruction. A single bomb killed and maimed seven married women, who were seated in the ditch; killed Jacobi, a watchmaker, namesake of the intrepid coachwright; killed too the cashiered officer whose drunken freak had done something to accelerate the outbreak. There were those who endured in one day a double or a treble bereavement; while in some families none remained to mourn. Colonel Williams died of apoplexy, and his wife, disfigured and tortured by a frightful hurt in the face, would fain have rejoined her husband. On the fifteenth of June Miss Mary Williams was stunned by a fall of the ceiling, and expired in the arms of a wounded sister, unconscious of her loving care. Two daughters survived—for a while. Mistress White was walking with a twin child at either shoulder, and her good man, a private of the Thirty-second, by her side. The same ball slew the father, broke both elbows of the mother, and severely injured one of the orphans. Captain Reynolds lost an arm and his life by a cannon-shot, and Mrs. Reynolds, whose wrist had been pierced by a musket-ball, sank under fever and sorrow. A half-caste tradesman and his daughter, crouching behind an empty barrel, too late and together discovered that their shelter was inadequate. A son of Sir Hugh was reclining on a sofa, faint with recent loss of blood; one sister at his feet, and another, with both his parents, busied about his wants in different parts of the room; when an uninvited and a fatal guest entered the doorway, and left the lad a headless corpse. No less than three subalterns attached to the same regiment as young Wheeler lost their heads within the redan. Lieutenant Jervis of the Engineers was walking to his battery through a shower of lead, with a gait of calm grandeur, as if he were pacing the Eden Garden beneath the eye-glasses of Calcutta beauty. In vain his comrades raised their wonted shout of "Run, Jervis! Run!" He never returned to headquarters. He never reached his post. A grape-shot passed through the body of Mr. Heberden, as he was handing some water to a lady. This gentleman, the most undaunted and unaffected of the brave and simple men of science employed upon the East Indian Railroad, lay on his face for a whole week without a murmur or a sigh, but not, we may well believe, without a tacit prayer for the relief which came at last. Mr. Hillersden, the magistrate of the station, was dashed in pieces by a twenty-four pound ball, while talking in the verandah to his wife, weak from an unseasonable confinement. A few days elapsed, and a shot, less cruel than some, displaced an avalanche of bricks which put an end to her short widowhood.

NANA IMPERATOR.

Seventy-five paces from the abode where our people were confined stood an hotel owned by a Mahomedan proprietor: an erection of considerable size, daubed with bright yellow paint. Allured, probably, by the gaudiness of colour, an attraction which no genuine native can resist, the Nana had selected this building as his head-quarters. A couple of guns were planted at the entrance of the compound, and a strong detachment of his retainers kept guard under the portico. Two spacious centre rooms were reserved for the Maharaja's public receptions. One of the wings was set apart for the duties of the kitchen and the altar: and, side by side with religion, cooking went merrily on through every hour of the twenty-four. In the other Dhondoo Funtch lived from day to day in a perpetual round of sensuality, amidst a choice coterie of

priests, pandars, ministers, and minions. The reigning beauty of the fortnight was one Oula or Adala. She was the Thais on whose breast sunk the vanquished victor, oppressed with brandy and such love as animates a middle-aged Eastern debauchee. She is said to have counted by hundreds of thousands the rupees which were lavished on her by the affection and vanity of her Alexander: and could well afford to spare one of her suite to look after the prisoners for the fraction of time during which they were likely to need her services. Every night there was an entertainment of music, dancing, and pantomime. The hit of the evening was made by a buffoon who took off amidst shouts of laughter the stiff carriage of an English officer.

THE CHAMBER OF HORRORS.

There was a spectacle to be witnessed which might excuse much. Those who, straight from the contested field, wandered sobbing through the rooms of the ladies' house, saw what it were well could the outraged earth have straightway hidden. The inner apartment was ankle-deep in blood. The plaster was scored with sword-cuts: not high up, as where men have fought; but low down, and about the corners, as if a creature had crouched to avoid the blow. Strips of dresses, vainly tied round the handles of the doors, signified the contrivance to which feminine despair had resorted as a means of keeping out the murderers. Broken combs were there, and the frills of children's trousers, and torn cuffs and pinafores, and little round hats, and one or two shoes with burst latches, and one or two daguerreotype-cases with cracked glasses. An officer picked up a few curls, preserved in a bit of card-board, and marked "Ned's hair, with love:" but around were strewn locks, some near a yard in length, dis severed, not as a keepsake, by quite other scissors. All who on that day passed within the fatal doors agree positively to assert that no inscription of any sort or kind was visible on the walls. Before the month was out, the bad habit, common to low Englishmen, of scribbling where they ought not, here displaying itself in an odious form, had covered the principal buildings of Cawnpore with vulgar and disgusting forgeries, false in date, in taste, in spelling, and in fact.

There were found two slips of paper: one bearing in an unknown hand a brief but correct outline of our disasters. On the other a Miss Lindsay had kept an account of the killed and wounded in a single family. It runs thus, telling its own tale:—

"Entered the barracks May 21st.

"Cavalry left June 6th.

"First shot fired June 6th.

"Aunt Lilly died June 17th.

"Uncle Willy died June 18th.

"Left barracks June 27th.

"George died June 27th.

"Alice died July 9th.

"Mamma died July 12th."

The writer, with her two surviving sisters, perished in the final massacre.

The library of the captives was small indeed: but such books as they had were to the purpose. The earliest comers discovered, among the vestiges of slaughter, a treatise, entitled, "Preparation for Death;" and a Bible, which must have travelled in Major Vibart's barge down to Nuzzulgur and back to Cawnpore, as may be gathered from the following record:—

"27th June. Went to the boats.

"29th. Taken out of boats.

"30th. Taken to Sevadah Kothi. Fatal day."

... That Bible was a present from the dead to the dead: for on the fly-leaf appeared this address:—"For darling Mamma, from her affectionate daughter, Isabella Blair:" the "Bella Blair" whose fate is mentioned in the letter from young Masters to his father. The list was closed by a Church Service, from which the cover had been stripped, and many pages at the end torn off. Unbound and incomplete, it had fulfilled its mission: for it opened of itself where, within a crumpled and crimson-sprinkled margin, might be read the concise and beautiful supplications of our Litany. It concluded, that mutilated copy, with the Forty-seventh Psalm, wherein David thanks the Almighty for a victory and a saving mercy.

"O, clap your hands together, all ye people: O, sing unto God with the voice of melody.

"He shall subdue the people under us: and the nations under our feet.

"God is gone up with a merry noise, and the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

"God rejoiceth over the heathen: God sitteth on his holy seat.

"God, which is very high exalted, doth defend the earth, as it were with a shield."

Such were the printed lines which, from amidst the rent tresses, and shivered toys, and the scraps of muslin dyed in the most costly of all pigments, lay staring up to high Heaven in tacit but impressive irony.

BOOKS.

The Hunting-grounds of the Old World.

First Series: Asia. By H. A. L., "The Old Shekarry." Longman and Co.

To attempt to criticise a work that has reached a third edition would be a work of supererogation. Public opinion has pronounced so unmistakably in favour of "The Old Shekarry's" spirited narrative of his moving adventures "by flood and field," that it only remains for us to direct the attention of our readers to the mere fact that a third edition is now issuing from the press, in which will be found much new and interesting matter. The present volume, bulky though it be, is entirely confined to the hunting-grounds of Asia; but the author promises shortly to produce a companion series devoted to exploratory expeditions on the eastern, western, and northern coasts of Africa. We further learn that it is his intention to traverse that continent from the Bights of Benin to Lake Victoria Nyanza, with a view to ascertain for himself whether that vast sheet of water be in truth the head reservoir of the Nile, or whether the source of the fabled river must be looked for still farther to the South. In prosecuting this perilous journey, our future traveller relies on the faithful companionship of picked men of the Hausas tribe, a warlike race of Mussulmans scattered in distinct groups throughout the tract of country that lies between the Kingdom of Dahomey and the Niger. Aided and protected by these brave, truthful, and hardy barbarians, "The Old Shekarry" looks forward with sanguine anticipations of success to his forthcoming solution of the great African problem.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—APRIL 24.

Petitions were presented by Colonel SYKES, from Brevet-Major C. E. Bates, 16th Regiment, and Lieut. J. W. S. Butler, 17th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Lieut. W. H. S. Clarke, 7th Regiment Madras Light Cavalry; by Mr. TORRENS, from Major William C. Clarke and Captain A. E. Campbell, 2nd Regiment Madras Light Cavalry, and Lieut. H. E. Coningham, 45th Regiment Madras Native Infantry; by Mr. DENMAN, from Lieut.-Colonel D. Gaye, Bombay Artillery, Captain J. H. Reid, Bombay Artillery, Major W. E. McPherson, 24th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, and Captain R. Battiscombe, Bombay Artillery, praying for redress of grievances caused by the violation of rights secured to them by Act of Parliament.

PEGU PRIZE-MONEY.

Sir C. WOOD wished to correct a statement he had made just before the holidays, in answer to a question by the hon. and gallant gentleman opposite (Mr. H. Cole), with reference to the rolls of Pegu prize-money. He had stated that the whole of the prize rolls had been sent to Chelsea Hospital, whereas only a portion of them had been sent.

Orders had been sent to India to have the remainder sent as soon as possible.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—APRIL 25.

Petitions from officers of the Indian army complaining of the violation of rights guaranteed to them by Act of Parliament, and praying for redress, were presented by Lord G. LENNOX, Mr. MOOR, Mr. LIDDELL, Colonel SYKES, and Captain JERVIS.

THE BANDA AND KIRWEE BOOTY.

COURT OF ADMIRALTY, APRIL 25.

(Before the Right Hon. Dr. LUSHINGTON.)

This is a cause of booty of war in respect of certain property taken as prize at Banda and Kirwee, and other places, during the rebellion in India. The matter has, under the provisions of 3rd and 4th Victoria, cap. 65, sec. 22, and of an Order in Council, been referred to the Judge of the High Court of Admiralty.

The Queen's Advocate and Mr. Ayrton, for the plaintiff, Lieutenant-General Sir G. Whitlock, K.C.B., and others acting under him claiming as the actual captors, now moved the Court to direct that the answer filed on behalf of the executors of Lord Clyde be amended, and that the suits unsupported by certain claimants who represented the personal and general staff of Lord Clyde be consolidated, and also that a sum of £8,000 be paid to the plaintiffs, on account of the costs, out of the funds now in the custody of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury on account of the Banda and Kirwee booty, incurred and to be incurred by them in the cause. The learned counsel contended that the answer objected to set forth not merely the claims of Lord Clyde, but of many others who had appeared separately in the cause, and that an appendix had been added of matter which had been already printed in the cause, and that with a view to limit the expenses, it was most desirable that such a proceeding, which might be imitated by the other defendants, should be discontinued. As to the consolidation of the suits, the defendants, whose claims it was proposed should be so treated, had substantially similar interests; and as to the application as to costs, it was at the present stage of the cause quite clear that the plaintiffs would be entitled to a sum equal to £8,000, and, therefore, no one could be prejudiced by the Court granting the application.

The motions were opposed by Mr. Deane, Q.C., Mr. Cotton, Mr. Needham, Mr. T. Hughes, Mr. Piffard, Mr. E. C. Clarkson, Mr. Pritchard, Mr. Lushington, and Mr. Bayford on behalf of their respective clients.

Dr. Lushington.—This is the first case of this nature which has been referred to the Court since the passing of the Act giving the jurisdiction, and the Court would therefore be glad if possible to prescribe some general course to be adopted. No precedent can be found in this Court, and none elsewhere, except the case of the Pindaree and Mahratta prize money, but the proceedings in that case were by petition to the Treasury, and would form but little guide in the present instance. No general rule can be laid down as to the conduct of the suit, except that each party must have an opportunity of stating his case fully and fairly, due regard being had to avoid unnecessary expense. The answer on behalf of Lord Clyde's representatives, though it states the claims of others, seems to me at the same time also to state matters which are material to Lord Clyde's case, and must therefore be admitted. The 63rd article must be expunged, as it alleges opinions of the Duke of Cambridge and others which, if those opinions had been considered by the Lords of the Treasury, would have decided the case, and it would therefore not have been referred to this Court. The appendix is clearly unnecessary, and must be taken off the file, the defendants being at liberty to add an additional article to their

answer, and thereby to refer to the same facts already set forth in the cause. As to the application to consolidate the suits referred to, I am not satisfied that the interests of the claimants are identical, and unless I were fully convinced of this I should be doing injustice, and I therefore reject the application. I am then asked to order a sum of £8,000 to be paid out to the plaintiffs in respect of past and future costs, but the fund is not under my control, and upon whom and in what terms have I the power to make such an order?—His Lordship then referred to the Order in Council under which the suit had been referred, and proceeded:—I am not satisfied that I possess sufficient authority for the purpose; but if it should be intimated to me from the Lords of the Treasury that they would give effect to any suggestion of mine as to this matter, I would then take all the facts into consideration, and express such an opinion as I should think just, but I do not think I should be prepared to pronounce for the plaintiffs to the extent of their present application.

EXPLORATION OF INNER ARABIA.

The eleventh meeting of the present session of the Royal Geographical Society was held at Burlington House, on Monday evening; Sir R. I. Murchison, president, in the chair.

Previous to the reading of the papers announced for the evening, the President read portions of a despatch from Colonel Lewis Pelly, her Majesty's Resident, Persian Gulf (communicated by the Bombay Government to the society), on the subject of the Exploration of Inner Arabia. The writer had learnt from the "Proceedings" of the Royal Geographical Society, issued in April, 1864, that it was a desideratum to determine with scientific accuracy the positions of the Wahabite capital, and some other points of interest in the interior, and had determined, notwithstanding the accounts of the difficulties and dangers of such a journey, to lead at once a party of competent officers and men of science into the country. He was unwilling that it should be supposed insuperable difficulties existed in the way of penetrating any Asiatic territory adjacent to his jurisdiction, for it had been his habit to consider that an English officer could go anywhere when his duty required it. Accordingly, he announced to his Government that he was then on his march (February 14). His plan was to land at 'Kwait, and from that point to proceed to the capital, returning to the Persian Gulf by another route. The party consisted, besides himself, of Lieutenant Dawes (who carried with him all the necessary instruments), and Dr. Colvill, as botanist and mineralogist.

Sir Henry Rawlinson said the success of an expedition of this kind depended mainly on the qualifications of the officer who undertook it, and Colonel Pelly was well warranted in speaking with the confidence which appeared in this despatch. He had given proofs of his courage and tact by travelling on horseback in his uniform as a British officer through the whole of the Afghan country, from Teheran to Calcutta—one of the most adventurous journeys which had been performed in that region. We should have to wait some months before the results of the Arabian expedition could be known, but it was possible they might arrive before the conclusion of the present session of the society.

MISCELLANEOUS.

COMMERCIAL BANK CORPORATION OF INDIA.—The report of the Commercial Bank Corporation of India and the East, in which is merged the Commercial Bank of India, shows a balance of profit for the year 1864 of £69,501 to be carried forward, after payment for the first half of the year to the shareholders of the Commercial Bank of India of a dividend and bonus amounting to £45,000,

and a dividend for the second half of the year on the whole paid-up capital of the Corporate Bank at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, amounting to £39,925. The reserve fund now amounts to £169,301, consisting of £73,301 transferred by the Commercial Bank of India, increased by £96,000, the premiums on new shares issued by the Corporate Bank.

ASIATIC BANKING CORPORATION.—The report of the Asiatic Banking Corporation, to be presented on the 4th of May, states the available balance at £70,439, and recommends a distribution at the rate of 20 per cent. per annum. The preliminary expenses of £8,484 are to be extinguished, £5,500 is to be added to reserve, which from premiums on new shares will amount, on the 30th of June next, to £175,000, and £6,455 will remain to be carried forward.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 24. Royal Alexander, Calcutta; Ottilie, Manilla; St. Lawrence, Calcutta; Bernard Agnes, Java; Aristides, Sourabaya; Maria, Java; Jacob Roggeveen, Java.—25. Shannon, Calcutta; Pladda, Manilla.

DEPARTURES.

April 25. Annie Morice, Mauritius; Racer, Calcutta; L'Olivier, Calcutta.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

LEIGHTON—The wife of D. C. Leighton, Esq., late H.M.'s Bombay Civil Service, of a daughter, at Gresham, Denbighshire, April 11.

LYE—The wife of the Ven. C. H. Leigh Lye, Archdeacon of Bombay, of a son, at the Vicarage, Midsomer Norton, April 16.

MACNAGHTEN—The wife of Elliot Macnaghten, Esq., B.C.L., of a son, at 10, Eccleston-terrace South, S.W., April 23.

SMITH—The wife of Thomas Smith, Esq., of Calcutta, of a son, at The Retreat, Stratford-sub-Castle, Salisbury, April 17.

MARRIAGES.

BADDELEY—HUDSON—Edward Baddeley, Esq., of Hampstead, to L. Alice, daughter of W. T. Hudson, Esq., at St. Giles's, Northampton, April 18.

CONOLLY—ELLIOT—Francis Henry Conolly, Esq., H.M.'s Bengal Staff Corps, to Eliza, youngest daughter of the late George Scott Elliot, Esq., of Laristoe, at Woodslee, N.B., April 20.

COOK—FRANKLYN—Henry Cook, Esq., M.D., Bombay Medical Service, to Emily Franklyn, Dagnall Park, South Norwood, Surrey, at the Parish Church, Croydon, April 19.

HARRIS—BIDDULPH—George Harris, Esq., Lieut. Royal Engineers, to Louisa T., daughter of the late Colonel Edward Biddulph, C.B., Bengal Artillery, at Birbury, Warwickshire, April 22.

HAWKINS—MARSHALL—Rev. Robert M. Hawkins, D.A., Scholar of Trinity College, Cambridge, only son of John A. F. Hawkins, Esq., Judicial Secretary for the India-office, to Agnes Charlotte Augusta, daughter of the Rev. William Knox Marshall, B.D., Rector of Panton-with-Wragby, Lincolnshire, and Prebendary of Hereford, at Beckenham Church, Kent, April 20.

LAST—KIRKE—Colonel Edward Last, late 21st R.N.B. Fusiliers, to Mary, widow of the late Rev. St. George Kirke, Rector of Marton, Lincolnshire, at the Parish Church, Brighton, April 20.

RICKETTS—MASTER—Montague Poyntz Ricketts, Esq., Bengal Staff Corps, eldest son of Lieut. Colonel G. P. Ricketts, late of the 1st Bengal Cavalry, to Augusta S., daughter of the Ven. Robert Mosley Master, Archdeacon of Manchester and Rector of Croston, at the Parish Church of Croston, Lancashire, April 20.

SCHILLING—NOCKOLDS—George Schilling, Esq., of Puttrah, Oudh, to Caroline D., daughter of the late Martin Nockolds, Esq., of Saffron Walden, at St. James's, Piccadilly, April 19.

DEATHS.

ACTON—Henry Acton, Esq., late of the 4th Madras Cavalry, eldest son of Henry Acton, Esq., late of the 12th Lancers, at Ramsgate, April 16.

BRODHURST—Agnes Anne, only child of Henry Brodhurst, Esq., at Dale Close, Mansfield, aged 18, April 22.

HALPIN—Major general William Halpin, H.M.'s Madras Army, at 54, Belsize Park, aged 60, April 25.

HAWES—Sophia, wife of Colonel Hawes, late of the Bengal Army, at Ticehurst, aged 61, April 18.

India Office,

April 26, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. col. G. Jackson, Staff Corps; Capt. P. G. Montgomerie, Engrs.; Major gen. Sir R. Napier, K.C.B., Engrs. Asst. surg. J. Pichall, Med. Estab.; Capt. J. B. Saunders, 4th Eur. Cav.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. H. L. Berkley, Inf.; Surg. major D. Macfarlane, Med. Estab.; Lieut. W. Hamilton, Inf.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

ECCLIASTICAL.

Bengal Estab.—Rev. A. Garstin, Chaplain, 6 mo., on m.c.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. A. Murray, 60th N.I., 6 mo.; Asst. surg. A. Best, Med. Estab., 6 mo.

Madras Estab.—Capt. R. Farrer, 21st N.I., 6 mo.; Lieut. L. C. Desborough, 51st N.I., 6 mo.; Surg. major J. Mackintosh, Med. Estab., 6 mo.

ERRATUM.—In our last issue, under this head, Lieut. G. N. Chamier, Inf., 3 mo., should have been Lieut. G. N. Channer.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. R. H. Dyas, Inf.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. F. Middlecoat, 7th N.I.

INDIAN GOVERNMENT LOANS.

	Actual Sales.	
	At per Rupee.	In sterling taking Co.'s Rs. 1000 as equivalent to £100
East India 4 per Cent. Transfer Loan Stock, Dividends payable in London, 25th April, and 25th Oct.	—	—
1st 4 per Cent. Loan of 1824-25 (Sicca)	—	—
2nd 4 per Cent. (Sicca) of 1828-29	—	—
3rd 4 per Cent. (Sicca) of 1832-33	1s 10½d	93
4th 4 per Cent. 1835-36	1s 9d ½	91
5th 4 per Cent. 1842-43	1s 9d ½	91
3½ per Cent. 1853-54	—	—
6th 4 per Cent. 1854-55	1s 9½d	91
5 per Cent. Public Works Loan 1854-55	2s 0½d ½	100½
4½ per Cent. of 1856-57	—	—
5 per Cent. of 1856-57	2s 0½d	102½
5½ per Cent. of 1859-60	2s 2½d	109½ 110

EXPORT OF BULLION.

Per the Messageries Impériales Company's str. *Moeris*, April 19, from Marseilles.

	Gold.	Silver.
Alexandria	£4,080	£30,400
Aden	40	—
Galle	200	—
Pondicherry	140	4,064
Madras	364	10,624
Calcutta	—	4,447
Batavia	2,116	—
Saigon	—	3,360
Hong Kong	—	10,717
Shanghai	580	1,078
	£7,590	£65,394

ARMY HEAD-QUARTERS left Poona for Mahableshwur March 20. The undermentioned staff will accompany Sir Van Straubenzee, K.C.B.:—The Adj. General of the Army, the Quartermaster General of the Army on return from Scinde, the Acting Judge Advocate General of the Army, the Deputy Adj. General of the Army, Assistant Quartermaster General of the Army until the return of the Quartermaster General, or until further orders, the Assistant Adjutant General Royal Artillery, and the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals British troops.

INDIA EXCHANGES.

BANK AND COMMERCIAL BILLS.

	60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.		60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.
Calcutta	1s. 10½d.	1s. 10½d.	Singapore	4s. 7d.	4s. 7½d.
Madras	1s. 10½d.	1s. 10½d.	Hong Kong	4s. 7d.	4s. 7½d.
Rombay	1s. 10½d.	1s. 10½d.	Shanghai	—	—
Colombo	1 pm	1½ pm.			

STOCKS AND SECURITIES.

Shares.		Paid.	Prices.
£.	India Stock, 1874	217½	to 218
	India 5 per cent.	106½	to 7½
	India 4 per cent.	99½	
	India 4 per cent. 1888	99½	
	India Enforced Paper 4 p. ct.	59	
	India 5 p. ct. Enfd. Paper, 1872	93	
	India Stock, Enfd. Paper, 5½ per cent.	108	to 102
	India Stock Debentures, 1888	96½	
	India Stock Debentures, 1889	116	
	" " " 1863	99½	
	" " " 1864	99½	
	" " " 1864 or 1866	98½	
	India Debentures, do., £1,000	3 dis.	
	Do. 4 per cent., 1860	110	
	India 5 per cent. for account	106	
	India 5 per cent., 1870	108½	to 107½
	India 4 per cent.	99½	
	India Loan Scrip 5 per cent.	104½	
	India Bonds, 4 p. ct. (£1,000)	15s. pm.	
	India Bonds (£1,000)	15s. to 19s. pm.	
	Ditto (under £1,000)	16s.	
	RAILWAYS.		
Stock	Bombay, Baroda, and Central India (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	102½ to 103½
20	Ditto F Shares	4	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Calcutta & S. Eastern (lim.)	100	99 to 101
Stock	Eastern Bengal (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	103 to 104
Stock	East Indian	100	104 to 105
20	Ditto J. Extension	10	½ to ½
Stock	G. I. Peninsula (guar. 5 p. ct.)	100	103½ to 104½
20	Ditto (New ditto)	13	½ to ½ pm.
20	Ditto, New	2	½ to ½ pm.
Stock	Great S. of India (Lim.) Scrip	2	101½ to 102½
Stock	Ditto 4½ p. c.	100	
Stock	Madras (guar. 4½ per ct.)	100	91
Stock	Ditto 5 per cent.	100	103 to 103
Stock	Ditto (guar. 4½ per cent.)	100	94 to 95
20	5th Extension	9	1½
Stock	Scinde 5 per cent.	100	101 to 102
Stock	Ditto Indus Steam Flotilla (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	97
Stock	Ditto Delhi gua. 5 p. c.	2	101 to 102
20	Ditto	2	½ d. par
Stock	Punjab (5 per ct.)	100	101 to 102
	BANKS.		
100	Agriand Masterman's (L.)	50	113 to 116
50	Do. New issue	25	56 to 58
50	Do. issue at 30 pm.	25	60 to 62
20	Asiatic Banking Corp., new issue, £15 pm., on which £7. 10s. has been paid	2½	10 to 11
40	Australasia	all	71
40	New	all	69 to 71
25	Bank of Egypt	all	30 to 33
20	Chart. of Ind., Aus., & China	all	28
20	Ditto, New	all	
25	Chart. Merc. of India, Lond., & China	all	51 to 53
	New	12½	
25	Commercial Bank of India	all	35 to 37
100	Hindustan, China, & Japan	25	6 to 4
100	Do. New issue at 2 pm.	25	6 to 4
100	New Issue at 6 pm., of which 1 pd.	15	6 to 4
50	Imp. Bank of China, India, and Japan	4	½ to 1 pm.
20	Land Mortgage Bank of India	all	52 to 54
25	Oriental Bank Corporation	10	1½ to 1½
20	Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi	7½	5 pm.
20	Ditto New		
	MISCELLANEOUS.		
5	Bombay Gas	all	5½ to 6½
5	Second issue	3	½ to 1½
5	Third issue	1	
20	British Indian Tea	14	1½ to 1½ d.
5	E. Assam Tea (Lim.)	1	par to ½ pm.
20	Ceylon	7	2½ to 3½
50	Credit Foncier of Mauritius	10	4½ to 5½ dis.
20	East India Irr. & Can.	10	3 to 3 dis.
50	E. I. Financial	7½	3 to 3
2	Indian Carrying (Lim.)	1	½ d. par
20	Mauritius Land Credit (Lim.)	2	par to ½ pm.
20	Madras Irrig. and Canal	10	4 d. to ½ pm.
20	Do.	all	30 to 30½
10	Mediterran. Wst. Tel. (Lim.)	all	3 to 4
20	Nerbudda Coal and Iron	5	2½ d. par
20	Do. New	2	½ d. to ½ par
10	North Assam Tea (Lim.)	7	½ to 1½ pm.
20	Oriental Commercial	10	8 to 6 dis.
50	Oriental Financial	10	1½ to 1½
1	Oriental Gas	all	½ to ½ pm.
1	Do. New	all	3½ to 8
10	Oriental India Steam A. (L.)	all	34 to 86
50	P. and O. Steam Nav. Co.	all	25 to 25
10	Ditto New	3½	2½ to 3½ pm.
10	Upper Assam Tea	all	20

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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

WE are in receipt of our usual files of papers from Bombay to the 13th of April, and Calcutta to the 7th of that month.

Sir Charles Trevelyan's Budget, which has met with severe criticism in this country, has been received in India with more satisfaction than might have been expected from certain unpopular features which it presents. The new export duties, to be sure, drew a protest from Mr. Bullen, one of the non-official members of Council, and an amendment, negativing the proposition, from Mr. Beadon, the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal; but the protest was as powerless as protests always are, and the amendment was lost by a majority of something like two-thirds. The opposition would, probably, have had stronger support had Mr. Bullen or Mr. Beadon been able to suggest an unobjectionable substitute for the obnoxious imposts. But this difficulty—which nobody would be more glad to overcome than Sir Charles Trevelyan himself—Mr. Bullen did not pretend to encounter; while Mr. Beadon did worse, for he justified as a substitute, an addition to the always unpopular salt tax, to which, indeed, the author of the Budget avows a strong inclination, though he has yielded to the other alternative. The salt tax in the several Presidencies is neither so low nor so high as it has been in former times, but it is now quite as heavy as the poorer classes can bear, and it presses, be it remembered, upon the poorest classes of all, who may be found in some places, notwithstanding the general advance of

wages, living upon five shillings a-month. A tax which is so thoroughly searching in its incidence that nobody can escape from it is naturally tempting to Chancellor-of-the-Exchequer nature; and besides being certain, it is usually increasing, and brings wonderfully large sums from wonderfully small assessments. But though Sir Charles Trevelyan and Mr. Beadon believe that a small addition to the tax in question would not be felt by the mass of the population, it is evident, as pointed out by Sir John Lawrence, that it would operate cruelly upon large numbers whom it would be impossible to exempt; while there can be no doubt of the political mischief of such a measure, the idea of which, as Mr. Anderson told the Council, had once raised a riot in Bombay, and could not fail to induce bad feeling and mistrust in any part of India. The principle of the export duties Sir Charles Trevelyan makes but small pretence of defending. What he did say in that direction was rather too much. For instance, he defended the duties on tea and coffee—which were particularly objected to—by asking "with what face, in the presence of God and man, could he exempt tea and coffee from what we are imposing upon large and less profitable native industries?" This, of course, introduces the "class interests" question into the discussion, aggravated, too, by the addition that "the income-tax, as was well-known, pressed heavier on the Europeans than the natives, and the former being relieved from the heavier burden, it would be gross partiality to let the English off—in fact, not to tax tea." The *Englishman*, which has, of course, fastened upon this point, declares that justifying the tax on tea upon the ground that it is a consequence of the energy and capital of Europeans being directed to a new channel, which is making the forests and wastes of centuries into gardens, in order that native trade, which has grown under the influence of the said energy and capital, should not be taxed alone, is one of the strangest and weakest pieces of reasoning ever employed by a statesman. The really intelligible argument in favour of the duties is their alleged necessity. Sir Charles Trevelyan avowed that he could see no better way of strengthening the small surplus which was to be anticipated without this aid; and Sir John Lawrence added the weight of his opinion to the same side. Neither speaker considered that the duties would be felt sufficiently to give any check to

production, especially as, with regard to those articles in which India has the command of the European market, the extra cost would necessarily fall upon the consumer. Moreover, the country is making such extraordinary advances in industry and wealth, that they could see nothing to fear from these trifling burdens. Of this happy state of things Sir Charles had already drawn an impressive picture in his Budget statement:—

"India is prospering beyond all former precedent. The Ryot has become emancipated from the money-lender, and has something to spare for the indulgence of his tastes and the improvement of his cultivation. Wages are rising throughout India, while, at some of the ports, they have attained almost to European rates. Mercantile gains, especially in the West of India, have been as large as they are liberally spent in charitable, ornamental, and reproductive works. The great and decisive change has also begun to appear, that the natives, from the Parsee and Marwarree millionaires down to the Ryots and small traders, bring forward their savings for investments instead of hoarding them. India has entered upon a course of industrial activity, and there has been for some time a remarkable absence even of the disquieting rumours which used to fill up the intervals of actual hostilities.

To the principle of the new taxes we are no more reconciled than when we last discussed the subject; and the precedent is a dangerous one for embarrassed financiers in the future. As an expedient, however, they have their uses, and may be best accepted as a substitute for something worse. For the rest, it must be admitted that Sir Charles Trevelyan has made the financial path as plain and pleasant as may be. There is a trifling drawback in the way of a loan; but this, as he says, is not to be regarded as a resource of embarrassment, being, indeed, nothing more than a proper provision for a necessary object, adjusted upon an equitable principle. Sir Charles Trevelyan was to leave Calcutta on the 10th of April. Mr. Massey, his successor, had arrived by the previous mail, just in time to hear the financial statement. One of his earliest duties will be the perusal of a memorial addressed to the Viceroy against the export duties. The document was adopted at a large meeting of the mercantile community, held at the Chamber of Commerce, when the opposition, which had been only mildly manifested in Council, found full vent. It is said that the condemnation of the duties in question will be more strong in Bombay.

The news from Bhootan is brief but important. The particulars of the capture of Dewangiri were not many, for nothing more than a telegram had been received on the subject. The contest seems to have

been a severe one, for the enemy fought hard, and every man in the stockade was either killed or taken prisoner. The attack seems to have been well managed, and is one of the first fruits of the confidence inspired by General Tombs's assumption of the command. Writers on the spot declare that the spirits of both officers and men rose immensely when the change was known; and all are now certain that whatever fighting there may be will be well done.

Sir Hugh Rose left Calcutta by the mail steamer, and is, perhaps, in London by this time, having been heard of at Trieste. We publish the Farewell Address to the ex-Commander-in-Chief elsewhere. There was besides a spontaneous demonstration on his departure. There had been some official arrangements for his reception at the place of embarkation; but everybody crowded to the wharf of their own accord. There was a guard of honour drawn up, and the compound of the Peninsula and Oriental Company was crammed with carriages, whose occupants were universal in their expressions of regard—the ladies, as might be expected, forming no small portion of the assemblage. Sir Hugh was formally received by Major-general Showers, commanding the division; and then there was a great deal of shaking of hands and wishing of farewells, and attempting to ignore emotion on the part of Sir Hugh himself, and his more intimate friends; and then, as the General descended the steps and stood upon the steamer, the band struck up the air of "Steer my barque to Erin's Isle," in happy allusion to his next command; and when the steamer moved off the tune was changed to "Auld Lang Syne," and the assembly gave three great cheers for the departing warrior.

The news from Bombay is principally confined to official changes, and "Scenes in Court," where Mr. Anstey and one or two other members of the bar seem rather too fond of being conspicuous. Mr. Anstey, in particular is so continually engaged in controversy, that even when he is in the right people are slow to credit the fact. One of his latest embroilments has been with the Bench, and had reference to his assertion of the rights of a barrister to address any court in the country in the English language. The question has probably been referred home, where there can be little doubt of its being settled in Mr. Anstey's favours.

The death of Colonel Elliot, Governor General's Agent in Rajpootana, was announced a few days before the departure of the mail. The deceased officer had done good service in the Political Department for many years, and his last appointment—which he did not seek—was a significant refutation of certain attacks upon his official character made by the press. Colonel Elliot was a worthy successor to Sir Henry Lawrence and Sir James Outram, and was both publicly and privately esteemed. He is to be succeeded in the Agency, it is said, by Colonel Eden, who has been a "Political" in Rajpootana for many years past.

The Bombay papers contain some curious stories from Mhow. One is in reference to

a court-martial, with Colonel Crawley for president, which is about to sit upon a "row" between two officers of the 15th N.I. Another refers to an alleged attack made by the colonel of a native regiment at that station (number not stated) upon a sepoy. The colonel is said to have wounded the sepoy so seriously with a sword that he had to be taken to the hospital. Where the colonel had to be taken to does not appear.

Sir Hugh Rose has come home by way of Bombay, where he stayed with the Governor, and held a levee before his departure. On receiving news of that event by telegraph, Sir William Mansfield at once assumed the command in chief.

The Asiatic Banking Corporation has, we see, issued its first report. That the document is of a satisfactory character will not be doubted when we record that the directors declare a dividend of 15 per cent. per annum, besides a bonus of 10s. per share, equal to 5 per cent. per annum, in addition to paying off expenses and making most satisfactory arrangements in the way of reserves.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[By Direct Overland Telegraph.]

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CALCUTTA, April 28.

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[By Direct Overland Telegraph from Galle.]

PEKIN, April 13.

The Ministerial crisis in this city is at an end, Prince Kung resuming his official position as Prime Minister.

SHANGHAI, April 9.

A Confederate cruiser is reported off this port.

Shirtings unchanged. Tea tending downwards. Silk firm, but little doing.

CANTON, April 15.

Markets generally unchanged. Total export of tea to date, 112,250,000 lbs. Exchange on London, 4s. 6d.

[The above telegrams left Galle at 4.55 P.M. on May 1].

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

BENGAL.—Lieut. col. E. W. Elliot, Bengal Staff Corps, Agent to the Gov. gen. for the States of Rajpootana, at Nussabad, March 27. Lieut. col. J. M. Thomas, late 39th Bengal N.I., at Dhurumsalla, March 21. R. B. Kinsey, Esq., F.R.C.S., Dep. Inspector gen. of Hospitals, Dinapore Circle, aged 49, at Calcutta, April 1.

BOMBAY.—Surg. J. H. Wilmet, Staff Surg., Ahmedabad, at Ahmedabad, April 7. Capt. Mainwaring, 20th Bombay N.I., at sea, on board the Gosforth, March 26. Ens. J. Galway, H.M.'s 108th Regt., at Asseergur, April 4. James Henry Crawford, ex-Member of Council, at Bombay, aged 77, April 30. Maj. H. Birch, late of the Bombay Army, at Hertford, aged 35, March 25.

Passengers by the present Mail.

FOR MARSEILLES.—From BOMBAY.—Mr. F. Holford, Maj. Annesley, Mr. Morgan, Mrs. Davies and two children, Col. and Mrs. Taylor and infant, Mr. McDonald, Miss McDonald and four children, Mr. T. Thomson, Mr. E. Walker, Mr. J. Selby, Mr. Dickens, Mr. and Mrs. Dryman and infant, Mr. F. Pereira, Capt. and Mrs. Haig, Capt. and Mrs. McGon, Mr. A. J. Lewis, Capt. Atkinson, Capt. Stewart, Maj. and Mrs. Byers and four children, Col. Dawson, Capt. and Mrs. Good-fellow, Maj. Creagh, Mr. McIntosh, Mr. W. Ford, Mr. S. Horaden. FROM ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. R. Brierley, Mr. T. Walker, Mr. Wilson, Mr. J. Sabbak, Mr. M. Labaki, Mr. L. Landre, Mr. J. Roux, Mr. G. Bertant, Mr. Nerontsos, Lieut. Collins, Mr. J. David.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. Ceylon, May 11.—From BOMBAY.—Lieut. col. Rigny, Mrs. Wilkins and two children, Lieut. col. Wilson, Lieut. and Mrs. Woolley and three children, Mr. Mellis and four children, Mr. Oliver and three children, Col. and Mrs. Dunterville and two children, Capt. and Mrs. Hubbs and infant, Mr. Mealey, Mrs. Newman and two infants, Mr. Francis, Mrs. Blenkinsop and two children, Mrs. Sanderson, Mrs. Gretzen and two infants, Mrs. Cox and three children, Mrs. Mee and child, Mrs. De Renzy and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Richardson and three children, Mrs. Williams and two infants, Mrs. Burgess and two infants, Mr. Burgess, Lieut. Atkinson, Col. and Mrs. Boyle and infant, Mr. Forgett, Capt. Bond, Capt. Page, Mr. Stone, Capt. Menzies, Mr. Nystrom.

BENGAL.

THE INDIAN BUDGET.

Sir Charles Trevelyan delivered his financial statement on the 1st April. The statement is remarkably meagre. Its most noticeable features are the abolition of the income-tax, the imposition of a light duty on jute, wool, tea and coffee, hides, sugar, silk, rice, and other grains, the reduction of the duty on hops to one per cent., and the suggestion that if additional revenue should hereafter be required it should be raised by a salt tax.

Referring, in his opening sentences, to the income and expenditure of the State for 1863-64, Sir Charles tells us, the estimated surplus of £480,775 dwindled down to £31,529 in the regular estimate, but actually reached a sum two and a-half times this amount, £78,347. The actual fell short of the estimated income by £358,868, whilst the expenditure increased by £41,260. The falling off in opium was enormous, amounting to £1,168,000; salt, too, showed a deficit of £366,704, making a total falling off of £1,534,705, to set off against which there was an increase in the Land Revenue, Stamps, Abkaree, Customs, &c., of £1,303,435. During the past year Land Revenue has slightly retrograded. It is less than the estimate by £170,200, and if compared with 1863-64, it shows a decrease of £208,623. This is owing to the effects of the severe storms of last year, and to the deficiency in the fall of rain in the north-west.

The greatest falling off is in opium, which, on the confession of Sir Charles himself, has been badly managed. A season of exceptional scarceness has been followed by a season of exceptional productiveness, and after the payment to the ryots had been increased rapidly to Rs. 3-8-0, Rs. 4-0-0, and finally at one bound to Rs. 5-0-0 per seer, it is to be suddenly reduced to Rs. 4-8-0, and the crop reduced from 64,269 chests to 48,000 chests for the Behar and Benares agencies. For the current year the estimated quantity likely to be brought to sale in Calcutta is 59,513 chests, which it is hoped will reach an average price of Rs. 850 per chest, that is Rs. 150 less than the estimate for 1864-5, and Rs. 9 more than the average of the last three sales. The following table will give a general idea of the increase in the revenue, which exceeds the actual receipts of 1863-64 by £988,953, and the estimate by £806,116. We see, therefore, that generally the income has been added to by a million sterling, and that if we have a deficit it is not from any retrogression in the general prosperity of the empire.

INCOME.		
	Increase	Estimate
	1863-64.	1864-65.
Forest ...	£51,687	£35,980
Abkaree ...	212,680	185,270
Salt ...	588,554	181,740
Stamps ...	176,924	167,870
Assessed taxes		
(decrease) ...	247,132	48,830

DECREASE.		
Customs ...	128,591	55,590
Opium ...	—	685,880

We have now to summarise the increase in expenditure:—

Customs ...	£15,597
Salt ...	30,943
Opium ...	453,679
Army ...	674,571
P. W. D. ...	327,087
Education ...	24,605
Pensions, &c. ...	165,966
Miscellaneous ...	88,031
Telegraph ...	39,022

As somewhat of a set-off to the above we note the following "savings":—

Post-office ...	£76,185
Mint ...	97,825
Salaries, Law, Police, &c. ...	74,766
Interest ...	83,229
Interest guaranteed, less railway receipts ...	214,500

The general result is, that the income is £120,236 better than the estimate, but owing to the enormous increase in expenditure of £1,287,667, there is a difference against the Budget of £1,167,431, of which £344,143 is an actual deficit. The totals for the year are :—

Revenue	£46,284,000
Expenditure	46,628,000

We have not, however, done with the Bhootan war, and we have yet to see the effect of the fall in cotton upon the land revenue and general wealth of the people, and we may, therefore, reasonably expect to see the deficit of £344,143 increased to at least half-a-million sterling.

We turn now to the Budget for 1865-66, and here we find that the income-tax will expire on 31st July, but will be held as the financial reserve, and placed on the shelf with all its gear complete ready for any emergency, should it unfortunately arise. Sir Charles does what he can to remove the sting of this assurance by recommending a two-anna duty on salt. The income-tax may, we think, be considered a failure, but we reserve comments upon this and some other points in the Budget, and confine ourselves on the present occasion to the general analysis of the financial statement.

The general results for the ensuing year may be shortly stated :—

Revenue	£47,688,760
Expenditure	47,186,930

Surplus £501,830

Of this total estimated expenditure £1,200,000 will be derived from the loan which it is proposed to raise for military and irrigation works. This will leave the actual income of the empire at £46,488,760, which is more than the estimate for last year by £324,190, and more than the anticipated receipts by £204,654.

In order to increase the surplus to as nearly as possible that estimated for last year, and to provide for any possible contingencies not requiring any very great effort at taxation to meet them, it has been resolved to extend to various articles a merely nominal duty. Jute, wool, tea and coffee will be charged with an export duty of

Three per cent., which will give	£130,000
Hides, sugar, and silk at two per cent. ...	60,000
Rice and grains at three annas per maund ...	140,000

Total £330,000

This will raise the total estimated surplus to £831,830. Bombay has, however, made a demand for £17,520 on account of law and justice, which will reduce the amount to £814,310, to which must be added the receipts of the Indo-European line of telegraph, estimated at £60,000, leaving a total estimated surplus of £874,310.—*Hurkaru*, April 6.

BHOOTAN.

The Supreme Government has, we hear, determined that a strict blockade of the Bhootan Frontier shall be maintained, but that the posts to be held during the approaching hot season and rains shall be as few as is compatible with the object in view, namely, to coerce and confine the Bhootas to the interior hills, as far as may be necessary. Orders, therefore, have been issued for immediate arrangements to be made between the military and civil authorities in the Bhootan field force, so as to fix on the posts which are thus to be held. These posts should not, in the opinion of the Viceroy, be entrenched camps, requiring a considerable strength of troops or police, and more, an extended line of works. Such a mode of occupying the posts would, his Excellency thinks, defeat their object, which is not to shut up or paralyse the detachments, but to leave the main body free for external action, whilst the sick, spare ammunition and stores, are left in security, under the protection of a

small garrison of effective men. It would seem, therefore, that the posts must be as compact as is consistent with salubrity, and the garrison sufficiently strong to allow of the commanding officer moving out a portion of it. To attain this end, and where suitable buildings do not exist, hereafter, plain walls of suitable height, flanked by musketry towers, are to be constructed, to afford the cover and security necessary against an enemy like the Bhootas; and, as a temporary arrangement, it is essential that the post should be stockaded. It is, of course, requisite that each post should command a supply of water, and that good practical roads and paths should be made to all the posts, with intercommunication with other posts, if possible. It also seems most essential to the Governor General that cantonments for the troops in support should be fixed on at an early date, and the necessary accommodation commenced. These sites should be selected in view to the easy support of the frontier, and with due regard to salubrity.—*Englishman*, March 22.

We have letters from the Right Brigade of the Bhootan Field Force, dated Camp, Koomreekhatta, March 14th:—"Brigadier General Tombs had returned to Koomreekhatta, from his reconnaissance in the direction of Dewangiri; and was awaiting the arrival of H. M.'s 55th Regiment at Gowlhatty. Our letters contain some details of the affair of the 13th, under Captain Norman; from which it would appear that the Bhootas, on that occasion, at any rate, by no means behaved in a cowardly manner; but, on the contrary, showed excellent fighting qualities in their own way, and that too with the odds long against them. It would appear that there were only eighty Bhootas within the stockade, which was attacked by our force, a hundred and forty strong; and although only twenty-five of the Bhootas, as far as could be ascertained, had matchlocks, and our men went in with a rush, yet ten of the latter were knocked over. So far, then, from the Bhootas being contemptible cowards, we have found, by experience, that they are rather a formidable enemy, in their own way of fighting; and that the exceedingly strong and difficult country in which hostilities are being carried on is very favourable to that way. In the stockade captured on the 13th were found some very cunningly devised stone bullet-moulds, and bullets cast in them, nearly as round, smooth, and serviceable as our own. Nothing is said in our Correspondent's letters about the expected attack on Dewangiri; and Captain Trevor, of the Engineers, who had been out to examine the country and the passes, had returned to the camp at Koomreekhatta. The troops in camp are spoken of as being pretty healthy, but everything was very dull and monotonous, and movement or action would apparently be very acceptable to them.—*Ibid*, March 23.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

From Dewangiri, through Gowlparah, from Brigadier-general Tombs, to Calcutta, to Military Secretary to Government.

Dewangiri, 2nd April, 2 P.M.—The force under my command re-occupied Dewangiri today by half-past twelve. Not a Bhoota is left on the plateau; our loss not heavy. Lieut. Weldon, of the police, severely wounded, and three or four other officers slightly wounded; about thirty men killed and wounded. The enemy fought hard until the key of their position fell. Every man in the stockade was killed or taken prisoner. About one hundred and thirty killed, and thirty taken prisoners, amongst them two men of note.

From Lieut.-colonel H. Hopkinson, Agent, Governor-general and Commissioner of Assam, to the Hon. the Lieut.-governor of Bengal.

Dated Dewangiri, the 2nd April, 1865.—Dewangiri was attacked this morning. The affair was brilliantly managed, and was at-

tended with thorough and complete success. The fight began at 8.30 A.M., and was over by 11.30 A.M., when the general was in possession of the works of the enemy. The enemy fought hard, and lost at least 120 killed. The number of wounded unknown, but we took twenty-nine prisoners. Our loss was trifling,—thirty killed and wounded. Officers wounded—Captains Trevor and Dundas; Ensign Chatterton, 29th Sikhs, slightly; Mr. Weldon, Superintendent of Police, severely.—*Ibid*, April 7.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A WEEKLY MAIL TO BOMBAY.—There is now little doubt says the *Friend* that India will soon have a weekly mail by Bombay. We learn from England that her Majesty's Postmaster-General has agreed to the request of the East India and China merchants in London, on the condition that the Marseilles postage be raised from tenpence to a shilling. Though most of the extra two-pence will go into the pockets of the Peninsular and Oriental Company's shareholders, the proposal is fair, and the boon is certainly cheap, since it gives fifty-two instead of forty-eight mails a year, as at present.

ATTACK ON A JUDGE.—We hear that Mr. Ainslie, the Sessions Judge of Patna, was attacked by a Wahabee on the 18th March, while returning from office, but luckily escaped without injury, though his horse was wounded. The man, who was armed with four knives, has been since apprehended and committed to the sessions.—*Englishman*.

MAJOR ROBERT MAYNE.—From among the numerous applicants Major Robert Mayne has, we learn, been selected for the command of the 43rd (the Dewangiri) Native Infantry, and will shortly relinquish the officiating command of the 30th Punjabees. We doubt not that under his able guidance the 43rd will soon be a very different body of men. It is, we are given to understand, to be partially disbanded, and recruited in the upper provinces.—*Delhi Gazette*, March 25.

SMALL-POX IN THE PUNJAB.—The following statistics, taken from the annual report of the Superintendent of Vaccine operations in the Punjab, will give some idea of the ravages of that disease in the province. In the Lahore Central Jail, out of 1,930 prisoners, there were only 112 who had not evident marks of small-pox, and of these 102 stated they had had the disease. In the Unrisur Jail, 537 out of 548 prisoners, and in the Umballa Jail, 431 out of 598, had had it. During the late epidemic in Unrisur 2,701 children and 12 adults are reported to have died of small-pox. In Lahore 1,205 children, and in Sealkote 292 children died. The general immunity of adults is remarkable; and may be attributed to the fact that almost all the adult populations of the lower orders have had the disease when young.—*Lahore Chronicle*.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—We have received information of the occurrence of a lamentable accident on the river last night, by which four Europeans and two natives have lost their lives. Mr. Hughes, of the East Indian Railway, Mr. Bovill, C.S., Mr. Honigberger, late editor of the *Allahabad Observer*, and Mr. F. Williams, were crossing over from Shannugger to Chandernagore, having arrived from Calcutta by the 5.30 train. When about twenty yards from the bank, the wind carried the boat out into the stream, and the manjee losing all control over it, it was upset. The four Europeans named and two of the native boatmen have not since been heard of, and there can, we fear, be little doubt that they were drowned.—*Englishman*, April 6.

INDIGO.—Reports from Tirhoot state that the indigo sowings are completed, and that from all appearances a promising season may be expected.

MILITARY ON DITS.—The convalescents for Kussowlie, under Lieut. Goad, left Allahabad by rail for Delhi on the 23rd March; Dr. Barry, of the 107th, was in medical charge.—No. 4 Battery 24th Brigade Royal Artillery arrived at Allahabad on the 24th March, and will be stationed there.—C. Battery 19th Brigade Royal Artillery, lately quartered in Amritsur, arrived at Agra on the 6th April.—Major J. Morland, of the Bengal Fusiliers, took over the duties of Brigade-major from Major Francis on the 6th April. The latter, we believe, joins his regiment, the 20th Foot, in China.—The Viceroy directs that the Bhopal *Lery* for the future be designated the Bhopal *Battalion*.

COLONEL VINCENT EYRE.—We (*Friend of India*) regret to learn that, at the last minute, Lord de Grey has successfully opposed the recommendation of all the Indian authorities to the effect that the honours of Civil knight-hood should be conferred on Colonel Vincent Eyre, C.B., as contrary to custom. There are one or two precedents we believe, such as that of Sir Alexander Macleod, of the Bengal Artillery, who was thus knighted for Bhurt-pore; but it is greatly to be regretted that the "Hero of Arrah" left the service, in which the military K.C.B.-ship would have been his.

EXPEDITION INTO CENTRAL ASIA.—A most spirited proposal, originating with men of standing in the Punjab, is now before the Government, suggesting the advisability of sending a British expedition into those parts of Central Asia now the focus of Russian intrigues. Mr. Lepell Griffin, whose varied acquirements are so well appreciated by the authorities, is to be placed at the head of the expedition. Dr. Latour, Principal of the Lahore College, a distinguished orientalist, accompanies as linguist, while the services of a distinguished naturalist, as also of a medical officer of standing, are to be or have been secured. The elements of success are all present, and it is to be hoped that the Government will lose no time in sanctioning the proposal before the season is too far advanced.—*Delhi Gazette*.

THE BILL FOR THE ABOLITION OF GRAND JURIES IN INDIA has passed the Legislative Council of the Governor-general.

A NEW CLUB.—A prospectus of a new club, to be called the Punjab Club, has been issued.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 23. Elendale, Ritchie, Madras; Queen of the East, Rees, Hong Kong; Bellissima, Ritchie, Lyttelton.—24. Fernandez, Chazarian, Colombo.—25. Nagasaki, Campbell, Bombay; Jacques Seurin, Martin, Mauritius.—26. Futay Salaam, Davies, Mauritius; Amora, Leit, Akyab.—27. Rangoon, Templeton, Singapore.—28. Hippogriff, Lafreux, Bombay; Gama, Nicholas, Shanghai; Golden Hind, Davis, Boston.—29. Futay Salaam, Miles, Bombay; Orissa, Ballantine, Akyab; Candross, Gilchrist, Moulemin.—30. Univalled, Hedgcock, Liverpool; Arundel Castle, McKelvie, Liverpool.—31. Enterprise, Fox, Newcastle; Whirlwind, Hughes, Liverpool; Bengal, Woolcott, Suez; Mula, Bland, —; Iwer, Ferar, Liverpool.—April 2. Red Jacket, Powe, Melbourne; National Eagle, Mathews, Boston; Khersonese, Barclay, London; Combermere, Blaney, Colombo.—3. Lady Clarendon, Wilkie, Liverpool; Le Philaneme, Hauterlin, Point de Galle; Sooboo, Hutchinson, Bombay; Kirkham, Routledge, Liverpool.—4. Istambul, Ricker, Bombay; John Masterman, May, Bombay; United Service, Browns, Galle; Tellus, Hansen, Hamburg; Shaw Allum, Clark, Bombay; Nicholas Curvin, Sharp, Bombay; Rijn-mahal, Ludsbrough, Liverpool.—5. Queen of Australia, Rudolph, Melbourne; City of Perth, Girdson, Glasgow; City of Cashmere, Handem, Glasgow; Thuder, Taylor, Hong Kong.—6. Rinaldo, Lison, London; Goleonda, Peckington, Bombay; Coleroon, Duncan, Melbourne; Thalaba, Williams, Liverpool.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Bellissima.—Mrs. James Toplis.
Per Nagasaki.—Mrs. Campbell and family.
Per Amora.—Mr. Geit and three children.
Per Golden Hind.—Mrs. Davis and son, Mr. L. S. Chase.
Per Orissa.—Mr. Johnson, W. Cornal.
Per Combermere.—Mr. De Roze, Mr. and Mrs. Bradhook.
Per str. Bengal.—From Southampton.—Mrs. Col. Taylor, Mr. F. O'bye, Mrs. Welling, Mr. A. Capera, Mr. and Mrs. Whitby, Mr. G. W. Vanderkiste, Asst. surg. Shipton, Mr. Watson, Mr. Jones, Mr. Webster, Mr. Ogilvie, Mr. G. H. Peel, Mr. F. Peel, Mr. Rumme, Lieut. Rooke, Mrs. Comley, A. S. Cooke, Miss Mayne, Mr. Keighly, Mrs. Farquhar and infant, Mrs. Lewis and child, Mr. Barlow. From Man-

SKILLS.—The Hon. W. W. Massey, Capt. C. Sitwell, Mr. G. W. Forbes, Mr. and Mrs. Terry, Mr. Badham. From Suez.—Mr. Allen. From Aden.—Mr. Wyatt. From Galle.—Mr. Penjib, Mr. Lackerstein, Mrs. King, Mr. Robinson. From Bombay.—Capt. Coleman, R. Maden. From Sydney.—Miss Felton. From Madras.—Lieut. Spry, Capt. Stedman, Mrs. Wade, Dr. Longhurst.
Per Kirkham.—Mr. W. T. McLean.
Per Philaneme.—Mr. J. Richey.
Per Tellus.—Mr. Borres and wife, Messrs. W. Paslat and A. Unsum, Mr. Christ. Gaustad, Mr. K. Kamphelk, Mr. H. Lobur, Mr. G. Polienty, Mr. G. Strive.
Per Rijnmahal, Mr. R. Roisin.
Per City of Cashmere.—Mr. A. McGregor, Mrs. McGregor. Miss M. Reid.
Per City of Perth.—Mr. J. Garland.
Per Thuder.—Capt. and Mrs. Mitchell and two children, Miss Mitchell and two children, Miss Mitchell, Mrs. Wood, Mr. Joakim, Mrs. Gubbay, Mrs. Shooker.
Per Rinaldo.—Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, Lieut. and Mrs. Willis, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Droece and Miss Droece, Mrs. Weathuly, Mr. W. A. Hanley, Serg. maj. Withers, wife, and three children, Serg. Barker, wife, and child, Serg. Ramsay and wife, Serg. Wheeler and wife, Serg. Ridley and two children, Serg. Quoirot.
Per Coleroon.—Mr. S. Duncan.

DEPARTURES.

March 10. Catch Merchant, Ashby, Bombay.—15. Clydesdale, McGregor, London; Hammersmith, Nairn, Mauritius.—16. Western Empire, Woodworth, Colombo.—17. Fathel Manan, Laury, Madras; Shah Jehan, Tregerthen, Singapore.—18. Fusilier, Caroso, Demerara; Rowena, Reed, London; Zemindar, Short, Hong Kong; Pomona, Giffin, Rangoon and Moulemin; Camille, Martin, Australia.—19. Verose, Burnes, Suez; Morning Star, Taverner, Kurrachee; Fort William, Castle, Bombay; Pearl, Brown, Bombay; Latona, Sedgwick, Bombay; Fleur de Lis, Taylor, London; Apelles, McLay, Hong Kong; Benton, Wallace, Dundee.—20. Beaumaris Castle, Robinson, London; Royal Alfred, Whiting, Shanghai; Calcutta Merchant, Harrison, Judda.—22. Nada, Coburn, Colombo; Orissa, Ballantine, Chittagong and Akyab; Hope, King, Shunghai; Southern Belle, McCarthy, London; Calbeck, Garside, China; Onward, Watson, London.—23. Clan Alpine, Crockett, Straits and Hong Kong; Fusi Yama, Dundas, Straits and Hong Kong.—24. Mooltan, Dunn, Suez; Queensland, Finlay, Hong Kong; King Arthur, Waters, London; Anonyma, Cuthbertson, Hong Kong.—25. Bushier, Cameron, Rangoon, Moulemin, and Straits.—26. Ville de Clerbourg, Mignon, Mauritius; F. S. Allum, Phillips, Bombay; Eliza, Nicholson, Boston; Prince Royal, Stevenson, Bombay; Eliza Bencke, Jackson, Hong Kong; Sam Cairns, Whincay, Liverpool; Reine D'Aijou, Bethune, Bourbon.—27. Accrington, Christie, London; Lalla Kookh, Earle, Singapore and Hong Kong; John Bright, Betham, Singapore and Hong Kong; Union, B. rin, Sydney.—28. Arabistan, Dawson, Mauritius; Etienne et Lawrence, Mace, Bourbon.—29. Reiver, Bolton, Singapore and Hong Kong.—30. Wauboejeg, Kennedy, London; Strathpeffer, Murray, Dundee.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Arabia.—Mr. Hankey, Dr. Fitzgerald, Maj. Dyne, Mr. Lindstedt, Mrs. Lindstedt, Maj. R. Hamilton, Mons. Moulouquet, Mr. Hyde, Dr. Charles, Mr. W. D. Duff, Col. Wilson, Capt. Johnson, Capt. Hampton, C. J. Rowband, Capt. Peton.
Per str. Moulemin.—For Gopaulpore.—Mr. G. S. Sykes.
For Madras.—Mr. J. Milne, Maj. C. Baldwin, Mrs. W. B. Thompson and child, Mrs. A'one.
Per str. Cheduba.—For Akyab.—Mr. H. Rhodius. For Rangoon.—Mr. S. Ezra, Messrs. Joseph and Jacob Minies, Mr. T. W. Bayes. For Moulemin.—Mr. A. Bock, Mr. Joseph Moody.
Per str. Marlborough.—Mrs. Fitzroy and four children, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent and five children, Dr. and Mrs. Paske and three children, Col. Burchier, H.M.'s 89th Regt., and Mrs. Boncheir, Mr. Sutherland and child, Mr. and Mrs. Be-chambers and four children, Mrs. Biss and three children, Lieut. Ker, Lieut. Whitehead, Maj. H. M. Garstin, Mrs. Clarke, Miss Miller, Mrs. Barker and Mrs. Spence and five children, Mrs. and Miss Sutherland, Lieut. Davies, Capt. H. D. Marsh, Qr.mr. Duncan, Lieut. W. Stuart Metcalf, Master Patterson, Miss Smyly, Master Ord, Capt. Briggs, Maj. W. C. Alexander, Lieut. Harvey, Capt. Scott, Ens. Baxter.
Per str. Orissa.—For Chittagong.—Mr. J. Hogg. For Akyab.—Dr. Collis, Mr. and Mrs. Benner.
Per str. Thuder.—Capt. and Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Wood, Miss Mitchell, Mr. Joakim, Mr. S. A. Gubbay, Mrs. Shooker.
Per str. Colong and futs Adjaye and Chumbul.—Mrs. Griffiths and child, Mr. W. Noble, Mr. G. Lumsden, Mr. John Ogilvie, Mr. P. R. Gomes.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, April 6, 1865.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price
4 per Cent. Sa.	Sa. Rs. 89	Rs. 88 12 to 89 6
Do. Transfer Stock.	Sa. Rs. 90	...
4 per Cent. Co's Rs.	Co's Rs. 94 1/2	89 8 to 91 0
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co's Rs. 100	3 8 to 3 10 pm.
5 1/2 per Cent.	Co's Rs. 100	102 8 to 102 14
5 per Cent.	Co's Rs. 100	101 8 to 101 12

EXCHANGE.

On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight ... 2 0 1/2 to 2 0 9-16
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight ... 2 0 1/2 to 2 0 9-16
Bills with Docs.	at 6 months' sight ... 2 0 1/2
Bank Post Bills	at 1 months' sight ... 2 0 to 2 0 1/2

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paid-up.	Quoted at
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	13 10 to 13 10
Alliance Tea Company	85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	200	510 to 525
Bahau Tea Company	100	135 to 140
Bank of Bengal	1000	193 1/4
Do.	Interest bearing	4000 ... 7900 to 8200

Beerhoom Coal Company	1000	840 to 845
Do.	200	Nom. to 175
Bengal Coal Company	1000	1100 to 1105
Bengal Printing Company	100	15 to 10 dis.
Bengal River Company	1000	675 to 700
Do.	500	537 to 340
Bengal Tea Company	100	165
Do. new paid-up	100	263
Bengal Oil Company	250	pm Nominal
Bengal Credit Mobilier (Lim.)	100	120 to 125 pm
Bishnauth Tea Company	200	253
Do. contributory	10	3 to 4 pm.
Bonded Warehouse Association	445	680 to 660
Borokai Tea Company (Limited)	25	par
British India Tea	80	par
Brunton's Press Company (Limited)	50	2 to 3 pm.
Burdwan Stone Company	100	75 to 80
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	185
Do. (Contributory)	115	15 to 16 dis.
Cachar Tea Company	600	735 to 730
Do.	450	50 to 55 pm.
Calcutta Docking Company	700	1350 to 1365
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	675
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	52	63
Central Assam Tea Company	100	101
Central Cachar Tea Company	200	275 to 230
Do. new shares	200	260 to 262
Chattahar Tea Company	25	5 to 10 dis.
Commercial Transport Association	100	par
Dehra Duon Tea Company	100	90 to 93
Delhi Bank Corporation	500	710
Jooh Teria Tea Company	100	96 to 97
Jooteerah Tea Company (Limited)	100	96 to 97
Durrung Tea Company	45	5 dis.
E. B. Indigo Company	100	75 to 80
East India Coal Company	100	30 to 35
East India Railway Company	218	216
East India Tea Company	100	116 to 118
Do. contributory	80	12 to 13 pm.
Eastern Bengal Tea Company	60	55 to 56
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	123 to 130
Do. contributory	85	20 to 22 pm.
Eastern Bengal Railway Company	218	216 to 218
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000	1325
Eastman and Company	250	220 to 225
Equitable Coal Company	250	215 Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	500	Nominal
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	250 to 255
Gula Ghaut Tea Company	250	308
Do. new shares	250	272 to 275
Goosery Cotton Mills	65	12 to 15 dis.
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	309
Hooghly Steam Tug Company	1000	1200
Hooghly Lighter Association	80	10 to 15 dis.
Hope Town Tea Association	100	105
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	105
Howrah Docking Company	635	655
Hunter and Company	250	200 to 230
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	600
Jorehaut Tea Company	200	745 to 760
Kunchunore Tea Company	1000	250
Do. contributory	125	30 to 35 pm.
Kurseong and Darjeeling Tea Co.	250	245 to 245
Do. contributory	125	3 to 5 dis.
Landing Shipping	100	20 to 25 dis.
Lebonz and Minchou Tea Company	65	par to 5 pm.
Locty Cotton Screw Company	25	par
Lower Assam Tea Company	35	par
Luckimpore Tea Company	155	60 to 65 pm.
Moucherra Tea Company	60	par
Moran Tea Company (Limited)	70	13 to 14 pm.
Muttuck Tea Company	50	par
Mutual Tea Company	100	123
Do. contributory	70	16 to 18 pm.
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	320
New Fort Goster Company	600	1400 to 1450
North-West Indigo Company	100	70 to 75
North-West Screwing Company	60	par
Oriental Gas Company	21	12 1/2 to 13
Peoples Bank of India	100	75 to 80
Port Canning Land Company	1000	3 00
Punjab Bank	100	120 to 123
Punjab Trading	75	10 pm.
Punjabbarre Tea Company	100	100 dull
Do.	37	par Nominal
Ramghur Tea Company	100	par
Do.	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	142
R. Scott Thomson and Company	495	495
Screwing Company (Limited)	200	195
Sea Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.
Seesaugor Tea Company	100	82
Simla Bank	500	650 to 655
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Soom Tea Company	80	13 to 15 pm.
Soorisapora Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1510
Do.	750	450 to 480 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100	78 to 80
Spence's Hotel Company	25	230
Strand Pressing Company (Limited)	621	9 to 10 pm.
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	200	150 to 165
Tirho Indigo	200	200 to 202
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	200 to 205
Do. contributory	70	par
Union Steam Tug Company	250	220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	140	180 to 182
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to 240
Do. contributory	190	14 to 16 dis.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
Saltpetre	£1 12 6 to 0 0 0	1 0 0 1 5 0
Sugar	Nominal.	Nominal.
Rice	do.	do.
Seeds	2 12 6 to 0 0 0	2 7 6 0 0 0
Jute	2 10 0 to 2 12 6	2 10 0 2 11 3
Cotton	3 0 0 3 6 0	3 0 0 3 10 0

AFFGHANISTAN.—Affairs in Afghanistan are culminating to a crisis. The country, at the date of last advices, was covered with snow to a depth of several feet.

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

PRINCE AZIM JAH.—We are sure that Prince Azim Jah cannot be pleased with the injudicious advocacy of some of the Madras press, which breathes treasonable threats of revolutionary violence as the consequence if his suit in Parliament be thrown out. We are not a paid advocate of the good old Prince to run into extremes to sustain his claims to the Carnatic Musnud. We have expressed our conscientious opinion against his claim; but we are at liberty notwithstanding to state, as we did before, that we should be very glad if the British Government would adopt him as their protege, and perpetuate the adoption by allowing his heir to succeed him in his honours and emoluments. As a question of justice, or right, we deny the Prince's claim; but a question of policy, we think, that for his known attachment to the British interests, he deserves every honourable consideration.—*Carnatic Telegraph*, March 28.

THE NEW PRESIDENCY COLLEGE.—We perceive by the Madras papers that the designs for a Presidency College and Senate House having been sent in, the committee appointed to adjudicate the prize offered for the best design for the same have recommended the Governor, who has directed that the prize of Rs. 3,000 be conferred on Mr. R. F. Chisholm, an executive engineer employed in the department of public works in Bengal, and sanctions the payment of the amount, which will be debited to the educational building fund. Applications are to be made in the public works department for the services of Mr. Chisholm to superintend the erection of buildings. The estimates for the Presidency College and the Senate are respectively Rs. 142,695 and Rs. 146,698, against Rs. 250,000 and Rs. 150,000, specified in the Government notification, leaving a margin of more than Rs. 100,000.

A METEOR.—A Correspondent in the Madras Presidency has favoured us with the following particulars of a meteor which was seen by him on the 27th March:—"Another gentleman and myself were pacing the verandah of our house on the night of the 27th inst. (March), when suddenly, at twenty minutes to ten o'clock, I observed a very luminous *bolis* in the heavens, apparently about S. 29 deg. W. I cannot, with any degree of precision, mark its exact point of origin; I should, however, say it took its rise in the vicinity of Leo. Its *locus* was a parabola, whose transverse vertex pointed due W.; and it disappeared at S. 33 deg. W., thus having, during the some ten seconds it was visible, passed through 4 deg. of the celestial meridian. It moved noiselessly, and with an apparent velocity of twenty one miles per second. Now should half this be regarded as an illusion arising (as is generally the case) from the opposite motion of the earth, there would still remain a velocity of ten and a-half miles per second, equivalent to the mean of that of the asteroids. The appearance of the meteor was singularly beautiful,—first of a pink, then a pale yellow colour, but it resumed its pristine hue between its points of culmination and declination. The discharged sparks fell like a copious shower of gold-dust. By noting its parallax, I consider it to have passed at no less a height than 240 miles; a circumstance which tends to ignore the whilome current theory of meteoric phenomena being generated by the incandescence of atmospheric gases. However, as a tyro in the science, I shall forbear advertising to the various sources whence they are derived; but supposing this meteor to have come from the nearest fixed star, the parallax of which has been computed at one, it must have occupied more than 37,340 years in transit, which need not be wondered at, when

we find that it must, at the lowest estimate, have passed over the incredible distance of 140 billions of miles. Can anything more strikingly impress us with the immensity of space?"

FIGHT WITH A PANTHER.—A Madras paper gives the following:—"The other day there was a most exciting affair at Hyderabad, in which a panther and several officers of the 1st King's Dragoon Guards were the principals. We understand that while Major Alexander's horses were being exercised in the compound, a panther most unaccountably made its appearance, and sprung at one of the horses. Major A., hearing the hubbub, rushed out with a sword, and attacked the animal, which, however, proved rather too nimble, inflicting a wound on the gallant major's head, and almost scalping him; a batman on the premises, witnessing the unequal strife, entered the lists sword in hand and performed with great precision the whole of the sword exercise over and at the animal, but he failed in one material point—the thrust direct; he was ultimately knocked clean over by the brute, which then took refuge in the major's bungalow, frightening all the inmates out of their propriety. After going from one apartment to another he finally took refuge in the drawingroom, where he was shot by Lieutenant Hatfield, after a tough combat."

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

OFFICIAL CHANGES.—The Hon. B. H. Ellis has been appointed to a seat on the Bombay Council, in the room of Mr. Inverarity. The Hon. Mr. Frere resigned on the 7th ult. It is expected that the vacant seat will be filled by the Hon. A. K. Forbes.—Major-general Sir C. Van Straubenzee, Lieut.-colonel Marriott, and Mr. G. Foggo have been nominated to the vacant seats in the Bombay Legislative Council.—It is believed that Colonel Eden will succeed the late Colonel Elliott as Governor-general's agent in Rajpootana.

COMPLIMENTARY ADDRESS TO H.E. SIR HUGH ROSE, K.S.I., G.C.B., &c.—SIR,—On behalf of ourselves and other residents of Bombay we beg to present to you our hearty congratulations on your arrival among us after your most distinguished career as Commander-in-chief of her Majesty's forces in India. We much regret that owing to the shortness of your stay in Bombay, and the presence of Holy Week, we are unable to offer to your Excellency a suitable public reception such as we should desire. But we beg you to accept our assurance that it is with the greatest pride and satisfaction that we welcome in you an illustrious soldier who has won splendid triumphs for British arms, and an administrator whose services have been equally brilliant and solid. We trust that you may live long in your native land to enjoy the gratitude of your Queen and country, and beg to subscribe ourselves,—Your Excellency's most obedient servants.—Bombay, 11th April, 1865.

TOO MANY BANKS.—It is now becoming quite evident to those connected with the many bank and financial schemes which have been carrying on business, that there are far too many of these undertakings in existence at the present time; consequent on which those among them who are wise are looking the difficulty fairly in the face, and are having recourse to the only steps that prudence can dictate—the amalgamation with kindred establishments. Of course there are many rumours current as to the banks which are going to unite together, none of which, perhaps, are very reliable; but, amongst others, it is said that the Central Bank is about to unite with the Surat Bank, the Asiatic Financial with the Bombay Joint-Stock Corporation, and the Bombay City Bank with the East India.—*Bombay Gazette*.

SCENES IN COURT.—Our readers will learn with mingled feelings that there is now every prospect of a sudden and final end to the "Scenes in Court" which the Bombay newspapers, to the scandal of English justice, have had so often lately to report. After an unseemly altercation with the presiding judge on a recent occasion Mr. Chisholm Anstey and Mr. Barton fell foul of each other, and though peace was at length restored by the intervention of the judge, Mr. Barton's fervent exclamation, "Thank Heaven, there is no law against duelling," leaves us in no doubt as to its ultimate result. Both gentlemen, we are informed, are dead shots, and we therefore see none but a Pickwickian escape from the obvious conclusion. Of one thing we may be quite sure that if these two gentlemen are waiting for the intervention of any one who has the peace and quietness of Bombay at heart, they will wait in vain.—*Poona Observer*.

ANOTHER MHOW COURT MARTIAL.—We (*Delhi Gazette*) hear from Mhow that a captain in the 15th N.I., at present stationed there, has been suspended, "and a court of enquiry is sitting, the president of which is Colonel Crawley, of the Inniskilling Dragoons." It appears that Lieutenant-Colonel Stanley, who commands the 15th N.I., made use of very violent and most abusive language on parade to the captain in question, who very properly would not submit to it. High words ensued, and the result has been the "suspension" from duty of the injured party. This mode of treatment, as we have previously stated, is illegal, and a gross breach of the Articles of War. It appears to be quite peculiar to Mhow. It was first introduced there by Colonel Payn, of the 72nd Highlanders, and approved of by Major-General Green, commanding at that station, when, a few months ago, they wrote some very uncalled for and libellous letters to a young officer in the 72nd Highlanders, and thought to get out of it by "suspending" him; but we hear an action against them is proceeding, and no doubt advisedly.

PROPOSED NEW SUBMARINE TELEGRAPH FROM BOMBAY.—Lord John Hay, one of the directors of the Malta and Alexandria Telegraph, has been advocating before the Bombay Chamber of Commerce the establishment of a submarine line of telegraph between Bombay and Suez via Kurrachee. The irregularities of the Indo-European line caused chiefly by the disgraceful condition of the telegraphic service in India, have paved the way among the mercantile community of Bombay, as it must have done among the mercantile firms of England trading with the East, for such a scheme, and the subject has been seriously talked of for some time.—*Gazette*, 13th April.

LOSS OF THE "LORD BROUGHAM."—By a telegram received in Bombay we regret to hear that the ship *Lord Brougham*, 1,078 tons, commanded by Captain Randell, was totally lost on the Laccadives Island. We are, however, glad to report that all hands were saved, and that they are now on board the B.C. and R.S.N. Co.'s steamer *General Havelock*, by which vessel they will be conveyed to Bombay. The *Lord Brougham* left London about four months ago for Bombay. No further particulars are known at present about the unfortunate affair.—*Bombay Gazette*.

FIRE AT BOMBAY.—A disastrous fire occurred yesterday (12th inst.) at Matheran. Some of the public offices and the whole of the bazaar were destroyed; 800 of the inhabitants are houseless. Government aid has been solicited.

LIEUT.-COLONEL PELLY, resident in the Persian Gulf, has returned in safety to Bushire, after a visit to Rigatt, the Wahabee capital in Arabia. He was well-received by the Ameer.

THE LATE RANEE CHUNDRABUTTY.—The Sikhs have declined to offer the "pinda" of the late Ranee Chundrabutty, mother of Dhuleep Sing, on the ground that she went to England and lived for a long time with her converted son.

THE CHIEF OF MYHERE.—The minority of the Chief of Myhere, one of the many petty principalities or jagheers of Bundelcund, has expired, and he will, in consequence, be shortly seated on the gaddue, when his estates will be made over to his personal management. Meanwhile Lieutenant Gordon remains in charge.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 29. Str. Cartatic, Angove, Suez; City of Canton, Hoderwick, Glasgow.—29. str. Indore, Gaine, Singapore; Dharwar, Louisa, Calcutta; Bann Uamba, McCann, Calcutta.—30. Genii, Carr, Calcutta; Lightning, Husband, Calcutta; Slave Donard, Thompson, Calcutta.—April 1. Marion, Abbott, London; Havelock, Crawford, Liverpool.—2. Thalatta, Page, Calcutta.—3. Kusovio, Gray, Singapore; Saugor, Gigneaux, Bordeaux; Celestial, Webb, Singapore.—4. Alexander Baring, Henderson, Moulmein; str. Singapore, Black, Hong Kong.—5. City of Fanjore, Ferguson, Glasgow; Cordillera, Vaughan, Aden.—6. str. Governor Higginson, Lovewell, Suez.—7. Isabella Kerr, Galloway, Greenock; Caldera, Johns, Greenock; Queen of the Mersey, Holme, Liverpool; Glenae, Dunn, Liverpool; May Queen, Pennie, Liverpool.—8. Eumenides, Poe, Tron; Mofussilite, White, Greenock.—9. str. Nadi, Coburn, Calcutta; Bombay, McLeod, Liverpool; Research, Cook, Greenock; William Naylor, Bunkett, Mauritius.—10. Royal Albert, Langwill, Cardiff; Courier de Mers, Grimard, Bordeaux; Europa, Clark, London; Sandringham, Muir, Liverpool; Henry Moore, Seale, Liverpool; Simoom, Murphy, Liverpool; British Prince, Christian, Liverpool; Holyrood, Deane, Mauritius.—11. Almirra, Grose, Moulmein; Ville de Lima, Ryckmans, Mauritius; Aracana, Hunter, Liverpool; Caranjah, Clare, Calcutta.—12. East, Cullender, Aden; William Kidston, Logan, Akab; str. Penau, Blackmore, Calcutta; Erin, Barrett, Singapore; Tomogonops, Poe, Liverpool; Protector, Townsend, Liverpool; Alfred, Norris, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Europe.—Mr. and Mrs. Smith and child, Mr. and Mrs. Brown.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Carnatic.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. J. W. Venn, Mr. and Mrs. Hogg, Lieut. and Mrs. Bell, Mr. Aspinwall, Mr. Irving, Mr. Poulton, Capt. Hyde, Mr. Beer, Major and Mrs. Dun and children, Mrs. Stranack and child, Mrs. M. Cochrane, Mr. P. Norris, Mrs. W. Dickson, Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong, Mr. Thompson, Mr. C. Horner, Mrs. Anneson and child, Mr. H. Copnell, Mrs. Jack, Mrs. W. Fisher, J. P. R. Williams, J. Hamilton, Gibbins, Clifford, Hussey, Gardner. From MARSEILLES.—Mr. and Mrs. Dickson, Manning, Merritt, Sedgwick, Money, Mrs. Netherole, Paymaster T. Hobbs, Mr. and Mrs. Cherman, Mr. C. Curry, Capt. Sherard Osborn, Mr. and Mrs. Vantz, Lieut. Pottinger, Mr. Thwaites, Mr. Peel, Mr. Thompson, Baron Laporte, Mr. and Mrs. Roschone, Mr. Hart, Mr. Spencer, Miss Prescott, Mr. Green, Mr. and Mrs. Penny and child. From SUZ.—Mr. L. Feldburn, Mr. Douglas, From ADEK.—Capt. Carey. From MAURITIUS.—Mr. A. Issop.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Malta.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Allen, Miss Allen, Lieut. Annot, Dr. and Mrs. Williamson and infant, Miss Campbell, Major Chambers, Mrs. Stansfield and infant, Mrs. Atkinson, Miss Piercy, Mr. Webber, Mr. Glasse, Lieut. and Mrs. Salis, Messrs. Dalley, Ronald, Moore, Miss Church, Mrs. Rayner and three children, Miss Powis, Mrs. Wilcox, Messrs. May, Forsyth, Alexander, Oxford, Hammell, Lindsay, Raitton, Hughes. From MARSEILLES.—Capt. and Mrs. Griffith, Mr. Campbell, Major Crombie, Messrs. Parker, Walton, Sandeman, Turnbull, Oldfield, Cartwright, Ritterbandt, Browne, Moodie. From SUZ.—Mr. and Mrs. Smythe, Mr. Boulty, Madame Fanny.

DEPARTURES.

March 29. Walmer Castle, Bax, London via Kurrachee; str. Rangoon, Grainger, Aden and Suez; Curlew, Page, Laccadives; str. Salsette, Kennoldson, China, &c.—April 1. Sir John Lawrence, Ellery, Liverpool.—3. Mystery, Stap, Liverpool; Lord Lyndhurst, Haynes, Pernambuco.—4. Natalia, Manley, Moulmein; Culloden, Sator, Liverpool.—5. Cowasjee Jehangher, Knight, Liverpool; J. J. Dussanier, Burgalat, Bordeaux via Coast; Cherwell, Hemes, Liverpool; Lucknow, Asolote, Havre.—6. Western Belle, Manson, Liverpool.—7. Peerless, Flavin, Liverpool.—8. The Craigs, Jago, Liverpool; Glendevan, Brown, Liverpool; Chariot of Fame, Clarke, Liverpool; Omrawuttly, Baxter, Liverpool; Bann, Bonfellow, Aden and Suez.—12. Hydaspes, Minto, Rangoon.—13. Mail str. Carnatic, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per B. and B. S. S. Co.'s str. Bhima.—For ADEK.—Capt. and Mrs. Newton. For SUZ.—Rev. and Mrs. Gilbraith, Mr. and Mrs. Faithful, Mrs. Adams and four children, Mrs. Stearns and three children, Miss Kettredge, Lieut. Trimmer, Mr. T. C. Hope, Mr. and Mrs. Everett, Mr. and Mrs. Williamson and three children, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Pratt and child, Mr. Reynolds, Signor Fiorini, M. Usiglio, Mr. Guistin, Mr. Cortazzi, Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford, Capt. Lauchlan.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Carnatic.—For SUZ.—Mr. C. Strachan, Capt. Giestzen, Mr. W. H. S. Harriiden, Sir David Wedderburn, Miss Puerrri, Mr. D. R. Cola, Capt. Page, Mr. W. Ford, C.S. Col. Dawson. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. Sabonadiere, Col. Rivers, Major Craigh. For MARSEILLES.—Mrs. Macdonald and five children, Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Taylor and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Melbourn and three children, Miss Tolson, Mr. J. Burgess, Mrs. Davies and two children, Miss Mignon, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Bostock, Mrs. Wilson, Mr. G. Stone, Mr. T. Selby, Capt. Parsons, Mr. A. Lewis, Mr. J. P. Leith, Mr. J. Thompson, Mr. Holford, Mr. and Mrs. Dryan and infant, Capt. and Mrs. T. C. Hugh, Mr. E. Walker, Mr. F. Pereira, Mr. A. Spittuswood, Capt. Menzies, Mr. R. Wearling, Mr. J. Billington, Mr. T. Wrightly. For MALTA.—Major-gen. W. B. Goodfellow, wife, and daughter, Major and Mrs. Byers and three children, Major Rice, Capt. Goodfellow, Major Barrows and four children, Mrs. Dunsterville and child, Mrs. Burgess and two infants, Mrs. De Bussy and three children, Mrs. Giestzan and two infants, Mrs. Cope and

three children, Col. C. P. Rigby, Mr. and Mrs. Bland, Mrs. Melia and four children, Lieut. Col. J. Wilson, Mrs. Blenkinsop and two children, Mrs. Sanderson, Mrs. Wilkins and two children, Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Woolley and three children, Mrs. Mee and child, Mrs. Munro and three children, Mrs. Allen, Mr. Oliver and three children, Lieut. J. Atkinson, Mrs. Norman and two infants, Mrs. Williams and three infants, Capt. and Mrs. Hubback and infant, Mr. E. P. Medly, Mr. A. J. Richardson, wife and three children, Mrs. Wren and four children, Mrs. Gray and two children, Messrs. Manly, J. Blair, J. Holland, G. Holt, O. Downes. Destination not fixed.—Mr. Mackintosh Asst.-surg. J. F. Straker, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Goward and child, Mr. C. Huin, Sir Hugh Rose and A.D.C., Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Boyle and infant. For MARSEILLES.—Mrs. Dickens.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, April 13, 1865.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks—at	
6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s. 3d.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 3d. Cred. Bills.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 3d. Docts.	
On Calcutta, at sight, per 100	101½
Ditto at 30 days' ditto	100½
Ditto at 60 days' ditto	99½
On Madras, at 30 days' ditto	100
On China, at 60 days' ditto	Rs. 220 per 100 dol.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES

Agra Bank (Rs. 500)	150 pr. cent pm
Asiatic Bank	108
Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000)	120 do.
Bank of India (Rs. 25)	36 pm.
Bankers' Banking Co. (Rs. 20)	12 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 250)	25 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200)	120 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500)	60 do.
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200)	100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 20)	83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 250)	160 do. inc. n. sh.
Oriental Bank Corporation (Rs. 250)	170 pm.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25)	28 do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000)	127 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000)	par
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 2,700)	Rs. 6,000 p. sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667)	Rs. 14,500 p. sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co.—	
(A) share (Rs. 6,000)	
(B) share (Rs. 6,000)	3600 Rs. 1,35,000pm
Frere Press Co. (Rs. 250)	
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	25 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,200)	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Great Indian Peninsular Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 218-3-0)	5 per cent. dis.
Ditto, New £20 Shares (Rs. 87-4-4)	Rs. 5 do. dis.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Co. (Rs. 1,000)	par.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 600 prem.
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company (Rs. 1,100)	Rs. 100 prem.
Manockjee Pity's Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 850)	Rs. 25 prem.
House and Land Investment Co. (Rs. 200)	Rs. 400
Bombay Shipping Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 3,000
Iron Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 700 dis.
Oriental Ship Owning Association (Rs. 250)	Rs. 25 pm.
Prince of Wales Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 300 dis.
Western India Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 250
Hydraulic Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 3,200 p. sh.
Coorla Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 500 prem.
Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 500 prem.
Colaba Land Co. (Rs. 10,000)	Rs. 90 000 pr. sh.
Bonded Warehouse Co. (Rs. 400)	Rs. par
Back Bay Reclamation Co., Rs. 5,000 paid-up	35,500 pm.
Oriental Weaving and Spinning Company (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 150 prem.
Royal Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 100 prem.
Victoria Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 1,000 prem.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Four per Cent. Sicea Rs. Trans. Loan	Rs. 93
" " Sicea Rs. Loan 1832-33	" 95
" " Co.'s Rs. Loan 1835-36	" 91½
" " " 1842-43	" 91½
" " " 1854-55	" 103
Five per Cent. Co.'s Rs. Loan	" 109
Five-and-a-half per Cent.	" 109

PRICE OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns	attach, Rs. 10-6
Bank of England Notes	" 10
Spanish Dollars	" 210
Carols Dollars	" 290
Mexican Dollars	" 235
Five Franc Pieces, Rs. 233 tolas	" 208
German Crowns	" 214½
Bar Silver, 17 and 17½ dwt. better, per 100 tolas	" 106-10
Sycee Silver	" 105
Gold Leaf 99½ touch	" 16-13
Gold Bars, English	" 16-10
Ditto, Pekin	" 16-3

FREIGHTS.

To London—Cotton, £2. 5s. nominal; Seeds, £1. 5s.	
To Liverpool—Cotton, £1. 15s. 0d. to £2. 7s. 6d.; Seeds, £1. 0s. 0d.	

ORDER OF THE BATH—War-office, April 28.
—The Queen has been graciously pleased to give orders for the appointment of Lieut. col. Robert Renny, of the Bengal Staff Corps, to be an Ordinary Member of the Military Division of the Third Class, or Companion of the Most Hon. Order of the Bath.



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Fort William, March 18.—The services of Major J. C. Dickson, late 33rd N.I., are placed at disposal of public works dept., as a special and temp. arrangement.

March 20.—Punjab Irreg. Force.—4th Sikh Inf.—Asst. surg. R. Mantell, M.B., is app. to temp. medical charge during absence on m.c. of Surg. Webb.

The services of Major T. Rattray, Bengal staff corps, dep. inspec. gen. of police in the Bengal Doars, are placed at disposal of the C. in C. for appointment to a post under H.E.'s orders.

H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following temp. promotion and app.:

Capt. H. Maxwell, dep. asst. qrmr. gen., to offic. as asst. qrmr. gen. during absence on m.c. to Europe of Major F. Roberts, v.c.

Lieut. C. P. Stone, H.M.'s 77th foot, to offic. as dep. assist. qrmr. gen., v. Capt. Maxwell.

The servs. of Capt. C. Batchelor, late 3rd Eur. L.C., 2nd in com. and squadron officer, 18th Bengal cav., are placed at the disposal of the govt. of the Punjab.

Capt. J. C. Wood, of the Bengal staff corps, is allowed leave of absence for 10 days, from such date as he may have availed himself of it, to visit Bombay prepy. to proceeding to Eur. on m.c.

With reference to the notification from the Home Dept., No. 2,452 of March 11, 1865, the servs. of 2nd Capt. F. FitzRoy, of the royal art., superint. of the Pegu survey, are placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C. from the date on which he made over charge of his office.

The underment. officers are permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave, m.c.:

Surg. W. G. W. Clemenger, A.B. and M.B., of the med. dept., in med. charge of the 5th Goorkharegt., for 20 mos., under the new regs.

Lieut. T. T. Oliphant, of the late 5th Eur. regt., doing duty officer, 1st Punjab inf., for 20 mos., under the new regs.

The underment. officers are permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence, on m.c.:

Capt. J. B. Smyly, Bengal staff corps, asst. comsgr., Punjab, for 20 mos.

Lieut. E. B. Ward, late 48th regt. N.I., dist. supt. of police, Baraitch, for 20 mos., under the new regs.

March 21.—The services of Lieut. W. Tweedie, Bengal staff corps, adjt. 1st cav., Hyderabad contingent, are placed temp. at the disposal of the foreign dept., with effect from 16th inst.

The underment. officers have reported their return from England:

Maj. H. A. Brownlow, R.E., exec. engr., 1st class, dept. of public works; Maj. J. Leven, Bengal staff corps, depy. asst. comsgr. gen.; date of arrival at Fort William, March 14, 1865.

The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on leave on m.c.:

Depy. inspec. gen. of hospitals R. B. Kinsey, F.R.C.S., medical dept., for 20 mos., under the new regs.

March 22.—Capt. H. B. Chalmers, asst. comsgr. gen., has leave from April 1 to 10, 1865, to visit the Presidency, prep. to applying for leave on m.c. to Europe.

The underment. officer of the royal engineers, who has been placed under orders for duty in the Bengal Presidency, reported his arrival on the date specified below:

Lieut. T. H. Holdich; date of arrival at Fort William, March 3.

March 23.—The following orders, issued by the Government of Bombay, are confirmed:

Dated March 15.—No. 154.—Granting leave of absence to Europe, on m.c., to Lieut. A. FitzHugh, Bengal staff corps, wing officer 4th regt. Sikh inf., for 20 months, embarking at Kurrachee.

March 24.—The following promotions are made, subject to H.M.'s approval:

Cadre of the late 51st N.I.—Capt. Lieut. col. in staff corps) S. H. J. Davies, to be major, Lieut. (prev. capt.) E. P. W. Ripley, to be capt., from Oct.

27, 1864, v. Major (brev. col.) S. A. Abbot, cadre of late 51st N.I., ret.

Bengal Inf.—Major (lieut. col. in the staff corps) R. Renny, from cadre of late 47th N.I., to be lieut. col.

Cadre of the late 47th N.I.—Capt. (lieut. col. in the staff corps) R. Campbell, to be major; Lieut. (brev. capt.) W. Gordon, to be capt., from March 12, v. Lieut. col. J. L. Walker, Bengal inf., dec.

Bengal Inf.—Major (brev. lieut. col.) H. R. Shelton, from cadre late 38th N.I., to be lieut. col.

Cadre late 38th N.I.—Capt. (major in staff corps) J. B. Dennys to be major; Lieut. (capt. in staff corps) M. M. Procter to be capt. from March 12, v. Lieut. col. R. Renny, staff corps, removed from list of regimental lieut. cols.

The undermentioned surgeons of the medical dept. are promoted to the rank of surgeon major, under provision of G.O. No. 507 of June 20, 1864, subject to her Majesty's approval:—

Surgeons J. N. Tressider, from March 1; St. G. W. Tucker, M.D., from March 14; and C. M. Smith, from March 19.

The undermentioned officer, having completed 20 years' service, 6 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be major from date specified opposite to his name, under Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to her Majesty's approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. F. K. Bacon, March 19, 1865.

The undermentioned officer, having completed 12 years' service, 4 years of which were on permanent staff employ, to be captain from date specified opposite to his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to her Majesty's approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Lieut. (brev. capt.) B. R. Chambers, March 23, 1865.

The following promotions by brev. are made under the operation of Government G.O. No. 632 of Aug. 4, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Cadre of late 61th N.I., Maj. H. E. Young, to be lieut. col., from Mar. 9, 1865.

Cadre of late 34th N.I., Capt. A. C. Bunbury, to be maj. from Jan. 1, 1864.

Cadre of late 24th N.I., Capt. F. H. Hanmer, to be maj. from Dec. 9, 1864.

Cadre of late 9th N.I., Capt. H. J. Allan to be major, from Mar. 19, 1865.

The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Eur.:—

Capt. S. Boulderson, of the late 5th Eur. L.C., for 6 mos., without pay.

The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on m.c.:—

Surg. maj. J. B. Harrison, M.D., of the med. dept., attached to the 27th (Punjab) regt. N.I., for 20 mos., under the new rega.

The underment. officer is admitted to the Bengal staff corps with effect from the date specified opposite to his name, subject to the confirmation of the right hon. the Secretary of State for India:—

Lieut. (brev. capt.) G. B. C. Simpson, of the late 23rd regt. N.I., doing duty officer, 14th Bengal cav. (now brig. maj., Meerut), Feb. 19, 1861.

March 22.—Mr. H. D. Willock, C.S., is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl. for a period of 3 years, from date of embarkation.

March 27.—H.E. the Viceroy has app. the Hon. H. S. Maine to be Vice-Chancellor of the Calcutta University.

RESTRICTIONS AS TO SALARIES.

The following despatch from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State, No. 12 of 1865, dated India-office, Feb. 2, is published for general information:—To H.E. the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

Sir,—In accordance with the suggestion made in your letter in the foreign dept. (general), dated Sept. 19 (No. 17), 1864, I have consulted the law officers of the Crown, and the standing counsel to this department, on the question whether the restrictions as to salaries in India imposed by Acts 33 Geo. III., cap. 52, sec. 57, and 53 Geo. III. cap. 155, sec. 82, have been repealed by Act 24 and 25 Vict., cap. 54; and it is the opinion of those functionaries that the enactments in question have been wholly repealed by sec. 7 of the last mentioned Act.

2. It will be proper, in accordance with this opinion, that any sums which, since the passing of Act 24 and 25 Victoria, cap. 54, have been withheld from any junior civilians in any of the presidencies under the view of the law which has now been declared to be erroneous, should be paid to them, and that any sums retrenched on the same account should be refunded; and having considered the subject in Council, I have to request that you will cause an adjustment of the salaries of the civil

servants in question to be effected in conformity with this view.

8. I shall address you hereafter on the general subject of the limitation of salaries in relation to length of service.—I have, &c.,

(Signed) C. Wood.

March 28.—The services of the Rev. E. Godfrey, chaplain of Jubbulpore, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the Punjab.

The Rev. C. W. Cahusac, chaplain of Jhansi, is app. chaplain of Jubbulpore, in the Central Provs.

The Hon. F. B. Kemp, a puisne judge of the high court, availed himself, on the 22nd inst., of the leave granted to him on Dec. 14.

The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the undermentioned junior civil servant, transf. from N.W.P. for service in Oude, with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class, described in Sec. 22 of Act XXV. of 1861:—

Mr. A. F. Millett, offic. 3rd class asst. comsnr., Oonao.

March 30.—The Gov. gen. in Council has been pleased to nominate Lieut. col. F. J. Goldsmid, Madras staff corps, to be superint. of the Indo-European Telegraph, v. Lieut. col. P. Stewart, dec.

Lieut. E. B. Ward, district superint. of police, Hurdul, has 1 mo. leave, from 2nd inst., prep. to applying for leave to Europe.

Mr. D. F. Lonsdale, app. an asst. comr. in British Burmah, is invested with the powers of a sub. mag., 1st class.

Messrs. E. J. Connor and J. W. Macdougall are app. 3rd class sub assts. in the Great Trigonometrical Survey, with effect from 1st inst.

Hon. R. N. Cust, Bengal C.S., has leave for 11 months and 26 days, on m.c.

March 28.—Lieuts. D. W. Loughton and A. G. W. Hemans, app. in G.O. No. 606, dated 16th inst., to be asst. comrs., 3rd class, in the Berars, joined their appts. respectively on Jan. 16 and Feb. 1.

Capt. C. Martin, 2nd in com., 2nd corps, Central India horse, received charge of the office of political asst. at Goona, from Col. H. D. Daly, C.B., on the forenoon of the 1st inst.

Col. H. D. Daly, C.B., assumed charge of the office of political asst. in Western Malwa on the afternoon of the 3rd idem, from Lieut. E. R. C. Bradford.

March 30.—Lieut. W. Tweedie, offic. 2nd asst. to the Resident at Hyderabad, has passed an examination in Persian, under the provisions of G.O. No. 734, dated Sept. 9, 1864.

Lieut. W. Tweedie, app. in G.O. No. 619, dated 16th inst., to offic. as 2nd asst. to the Resident at Hyderabad, assumed charge of his duties on the forenoon of the 9th idem.

March 31.—Mr. W. B. Jones, C.S., is app. to be dep. comms. of the Wardah district, in the Central Provinces.

Lieut. A. Bloomfield, asst. comsnr. Central Provs., is app. to offic. as dep. comsnr. of the Wardah district, as a temp. arrangement.

March 18.—No. 2,535.—The Hon. H. S. Main, an ordinary member of the Council of the Gov. gen. of India, has leave of absence on m.c. for a period of 6 mo.

March 21.—No. 2,698.—Mr. W. Blunt, of the C.S., is perm. to proceed to Eur. on furl. for a period of 2 years 2 mo. and 23 days, from date of embarkation.

No. 2,698a.—Mr. M. P. Hanken's appt. to be asst. dist. superint. of police in the Central Provs. will have effect from May 18.

Notification No. 6,569, dated Dec. 16, is hereby cano. so far as it is at variance with the above orders.

March 22.—No. 2,700.—The services of Capt. E. R. Twyford, dist. superint. of police, Central Provs., are placed tempy. at the disposal of the foreign dept. from the 16th inst.

March 23.—Mr. H. M. Chase, of the C.S., is perm. to proceed to Eur. on furl. for 18 mo.

March 24.—No. 2,705.—The Hon. C. Steer, a judge of the high court, availed himself, on the 20th inst., of the leave of absence granted to him in Notification No. 5,761, dated Nov. 24.

No. 2,708.—The Rev. C. C. Anstey, of the Bengal ecclesiastical estab., has been granted by the Right Hon. the Sec. of State an ext. of leave for 6 mo. on m.c.

No. 2,709.—Mr. J. Graham, having returned from England, resumed his duties as standing counsel to Govt. on the 15th inst.

No. 2,711.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to accept Capt. E. B. Clay's res. of his appt. of dist. superint. of police, 4th class, in the Central Provs.

Mr. J. M. Berrill, dist. superint., 5th class, to be

dist. superint., 4th class, from the date on which Capt. Clay makes over charge.

Capt. T. E. Vandergucht, asst. dist. superint., to be dist. superint., 5th class, from the same date.

Lieut. H. A. Hammond, asst. dist. superint., 2nd class, to be asst. dist. superint., 1st class, from the same date.

No. 2,715.—Lieut. W. C. Plant, offic. dep. comr., 4th grade, received charge of the office of superint. of police at Sandoway from Mr. H. W. Beddy on Jan. 26.

No. 2,717.—Sub asst. surg. C. E. Pyster, in med. charge of Sandoway, made over charge of his duties to native doctor Shaik Abdulloh on Dec. 3 last.

No. 2,719.—The undermentioned civil assts. and sub assts. of the Topographical Branch, survey dept., are prom. to the next superior grades, with effect from April 1:—

Messrs. H. Horst, R. A. Bell, C. H. T. Neale, J. F. Baness, and A. C. Chamarett, from 2nd civil assts. to senior civil assts.

Messrs. H. J. Bolst, G. A. McGill, and D. Atkinson, from senior sub assts. to 2nd civil assts.

Messrs. J. Vanderputt and R. W. Chew, from 1st class to senior sub assts.

Mr. A. J. Wilson, from 2nd to 1st class sub asst.

Mr. W. Chapman, from 3rd to 2nd class sub asst.

THE BHOPAL LEVY.

March 21.—H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. Gen. in Council is pleased to direct that the Bhopal Levy for the future be designated the "Bhopal Battalion."

March 22.—No. 254.—Capt. E. B. Sladen, received charge of the office of agent to the chief comr., British Burmah, at Mandalay, from Dr. C. Williams, on Feb. 7.

March 17.—No. 641.—The serv. of Mr. J. W. Quinton, B.A., are placed at the disposal of the chief comr. of Oude, for employ. in that province.

March 21.—No. 676.—Lieut. J. Rutherford, Asst. supt., rev. survey, Southern Mahratta country, is app. asst. supt. in the Mysore rev. survey, with effect from Feb. 1.

No. 678.—Lieut. W. E. Forbes, asst. settlement comr. in Oude, sailed for Madras on the steamer *Candia*, which vessel was left by the pilot at sea on the 11th inst.

No. 679.—Mr. H. G. Ross, asst. comr. in Oude, reported his return to his duties on the 8th inst., from sick leave to Europe.

No. 680.—Lieut. (brevet capt.) G. E. Fryer, 21st regt. M.N.I., appl. offic. asst. comr. in British Burmah, is appl. a permanent asst. comr. in the British Burmah commission from date he entered on the duties of asst. sec. to the chief comr. of British Burmah, viz., Jan. 21.

No. 681.—Lieut. W. C. Plant, asst. comr. 2nd grade, British Burmah, is appl. to be an offic. dep. comr., 4th grade, with effect from Jan. 26 last.

No. 683.—Lieut. G. A. Strover, asst. comsnr. 3rd grade, British Burmah, is app. to offic. temporarily as mag. and dep. comsnr. 4th grade at Akhyab.

Lieut. W. G. Hughes, asst. comsnr. 3rd grade, made over charge of his office in the Kankarot sub division of the Amherst district to the extra asst. comsnr. on Feb. 2, and received charge of the office of asst. comsnr., Martaban sub division, from Lieut. G. A. Strover on 9th idem.

March 22.—No. 693.—Mr. A. R. Hutton is app. an extra asst. comsnr. 3rd cl. in Oude, with effect from Jan. 9.

No. 695.—The services of Mr. M. S. Champneys, C.S., are placed at the disposal of the Punjab Government.

No. 698.—Mr. E. Bickers, extra asst. comsnr. of Lucknow, availed himself on 9th inst. of priv. leave for 1 mo. granted him in G.O. No. 568, dated 13th idem.

March 23.—No. 710.—Mr. D. F. Lonsdale, collector of customs at Thayetmyo, is app. an asst. comsnr. 3rd grade in British Burmah from this date.

No. 713.—Asst. surg. T. M. Lownds resumed medical charge of the Rajpootana agency, and his duties as superint. of the Raj dispensaries, from Asst. surg. W. J. Moore on 6th inst.

March 24.—No. 717.—Mr. R. S. H. Haldane, extra asst. comr. in Oude, availed himself on 1st inst. of 3 mo.'s priv. leave granted him in G.O. No. 337, dated 10th ult.

No. 718.—Mr. H. W. Beddy, offic. dep. comr., 3rd grade, British Burmah, assumed charge of the Bassein district from Capt. F. N. Bayly, asst. comr., 1st grade, on 11th ult.

No. 719.—Lieut. H. R. Spearman, asst. comr., 3rd grade, in British Burmah, made over charge of the Promé district treasury at Thayetmyo to Mr. DeCourcy Ireland, asst. comr., 3rd grade, on the

7th ult., and received charge of the office of asst. comsr., 3rd grade, at Sittang, on the 21st idem.

No. 720.—Mr. A. F. Millet, appointed to the Oude Commission in G.O. No. 492, dated 2nd inst., reported his arrival at Lucknow on 15th inst., and is posted to the Oonao district.

March 22.—No. 1,606.—Mr. L. C. Probyn, dep. auditor and accountant gen., has been allowed by the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India an ext. of leave for 6 mos. on m.c.

No. 1,627.—Mr. H. A. Mangles resumed charge of the office of civil paymr., Bombay, from Mr. P. G. Guobna, on March 8, 1865.

March 20.—No. 97.—Mr. S. W. Nugent, asst. engr., 1st grade, attached to the Punjab, having been permitted by the Hon. the Secretary of State to resign his appt. in the public works dept., he is struck off the strength of the public works estabts., with effect from Jan. 12, 1865.

March 22.—No. 100.—Capt. W. H. Burton, R.E., is re-appointed to the public works dept. as a special asst. engr., and posted to the Berar div., Hyderabad, and the portion of notification No. 66, dated Feb. 28, 1865, transf. Capt. F. G. S. Parker from the Punjab to Hyderabad, is hereby cancelled.

March 23.—No. 104.—Lieut. col. C. H. Dickens, R.A., chief engr., 2nd class, and secy. in the public works dept. to the chief comsr., Central Provinces, is app. secretary to the Government of India in the public works dept., v. Col. R. Strachey, R.E., who is permitted to resign his app. on the occasion of his proceeding to Europe on furlough. Lieut. col. Dickens assumed charge of the office on March 22.

March 24.—No. 105.—Mr. E. Durrant, supervisor 1st grade, attached to Rajpootana circle, public works, is posted to the Mhow division.

No. 106.—Capt. B. J. C. Prior, M.S.C., offic. controller of public works accounts, Central Provinces, having resumed charge of his duties on March 13, the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him in public works dept. notification No. 12 of Jan. 17 last is cancelled.

No. 107.—Major J. F. Tennant, R.E., exec. engr., Arracan division, British Burmah, resumed charge of his duties on Feb. 27.

No. 108.—Lieut. col. J. E. T. Nicolls, R.E., made over charge of office of chief engineer and secretary to chief comsr. of Oude on March 9 to Mr. W. D. Bruce, asst. to the chief engineer and asst. secretary to the chief commissioner.

BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Head Qrs., March 10.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appts.:

2nd Ben. Cav.—Lieut. col. T. R. Snow, Bengal cav., to officiate as comdnt., during the absence on furlough of Lieut. col. G. Jackson; dated Feb. 22, 1865.

12th Ben. Cav.—Ens. R. T. Birch, 1st batt. 20th foot, officg. doing duty officer, 36th N.I., to be officg. doing duty officer, v. Waterhouse, officg. as 3rd squadron officer; dated March 1, 1865.

19th Ben. Cav.—Lieut. W. Loch, gen. list, inf., to be doing duty officer; dated March 1, 1865.

3rd N.I.—Lieut. G. J. Skinner, 38th foot, being a candidate for the Bengal staff corps, is, with the sanction of Government, to officiate as doing duty officer, v. Darly, appointed qrmr.; dated March 2, 1865.

11th N.I.—Lieut. H. G. Becher, doing duty officer, to be qrmr., v. Millett, killed in action; dated March 1, 1865.

24th N.I.—Lieut. F. H. Goold, officg. qrmr., 14th N.I., to be officg. qrmr., v. Trotter, proceeding on furlough; dated March 1, 1865.

28th N.I.—Lieut. H. S. Marshall, gen. list, inf., to be qrmr., v. Hills, appointed adjt.; dated March 1, 1865.

43rd N.I.—Maj. R. G. Mayne, officg. comdnt. 30th N.I., to be comdnt., v. Lieut. col. R. Campbell, removed.

The following officers are appointed to do duty with a detachment of invalids and time-expired men, proceeding to England on board the *Malabar*:

To Command.—Capt. H. B. Vaughan, of the 1st batt. 20th foot.

To do Duty.—Lieut. E. W. Evans, of the 1st batt. 19th foot.

Lieut. W. A. Symes, of the 94th foot.

In Medical Charge.—Staff surg. M. W. Murphy. The services of the commanding and med. offic. are placed at the disposal of the qrmr. gen. for transport duty.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known.

81st Foot.—Lieut. H. B. Pedder, from the 101st

foot, to be lieut., v. Sladen, who exch., dated Feb. 27, 1865.

101st Foot.—Lieut. W. D. Sladen, from the 81st foot, to be lieut., v. Pedder, who exch., dated Feb. 27, 1865.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following promotion, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

19th foot.—Lieut. C. J. F. Smith-Forbes to be capt., by purch., v. Foster, who ret., dated Feb. 27, 1865.

Ens. J. G. Moir to be lieut., by purch., v. Forbes, promoted, dated Feb. 27, 1865.

Capt. G. A. Morgan, of the 55th foot, is directed to proceed to England at the public expense, for the purpose of joining the depot of his regt., there being a supernumerary capt. with the service companies.

The G.O. of Feb. 22, regarding Capt. Morgan, is hereby cancelled.

The appt. of Lieut. H. E. Eliot, gen. list, inf., to be doing duty officer to 23rd N.I., published in G.O.C.C. 9th ult., is, at his own request, cancelled; March 8.

The 2 mo. leave to Bombay, to appear before a medical board, granted to Maj. C. H. Strutt, 18th brig. R.A., in G.O.C.C. of 13th ult., is hereby cancelled. He is directed to rejoin his battery.

The following officers are app. to do duty as specified:—

Capt. C. Richardes, late 63rd, attached to the 9th N.I., gen. duty at Julpigoree.

Lieut. H. L. Young, gen. list, inf., with 22nd regt. N.I.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Lieut. R. D. Osborn, adjt. 12th Bengal cav., from April 25 to May 8, to Calcutta, prep. to furl. to England.

Royal Art.—2nd Capt. F. R. Butt, C baty. 19th brig., from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Simla and Sirmuggur.

19th Foot.—Col. R. O. Bright, 1st batt., from March 15, to Calcutta, for 1 mo., and thence to England, for 12 mo., from date of embarkation.

Late 4th Eur. Regt.—Major J. Ward, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Landour and the Hills north of Deyrah.

Gen. List, Inf.—Lieut. E. G. Newnham, doing duty officer, 17th Bengal cav., from date of availing himself of the leave to April 9, to Calcutta, prep. to applying for furl. to England.

March 11.—The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following promotion, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

79th Foot.—Ens. G. L. Morley to be lieut., by purchase, v. Hayward, who retires, dated March 9.

The services of Staff asst. surg. G. Atkinson, M.B., being no longer required with the rifle camp near Delhi, he is directed to proceed via Calcutta to Kooshtea and Gowhatti for duty with the 55th regt., v. Staff asst. surg. Leslie, M.D., transf. to No. 8 batty. 25th brig. R.A.

Official notification has been received that the undermtd. officers of the 11th foot, recently promoted, have been posted to the battls. specified opposite their names:—

Capt. W. G. Byron, to 2nd batt.

Lieut. A. F. Astley, to 1st batt.

Leave of absence:—

7th Foot.—Paymaster J. M. Scott (1st batt.), from Feb. 20, to March 20, to Calcutta, to appear before a med. board.

12th Foot.—Capt. M. C. Saunders (2nd batt.), from date of embarkation, to visit Australia, for 6 mo. on private affairs.

19th Foot.—Capt. E. F. Foster (1st batt.), from date of leaving regt., to date of retirement, to visit Lahore on priv. affairs.

35th Foot.—Col. J. McN. Walter, C.B., from May 1, to Oct. 15, to visit Bustee in the Goruckpore dist., on priv. affairs.

35th Foot.—Lieut. R. Trimen, from July 25, to Nov. 30, in exten., to remain in England on priv. affairs.

42nd Foot.—Lieut. E. Whitehead, from Feb. 19, to March 19, to Calcutta, to appear before a med. board.

56th Foot.—Capt. G. S. Gubbins, from date of leaving regt. to date of retirement, to proceed to England pending retirement from service.

72nd Foot.—Lieut. St. J. T. Frome, from March 15, to Sept. 15, to visit Cashmere.

Bengal Army.—Col. F. W. Burroughs (doing gen. duty at Benares), from Mar. 10 to April 10, to Calcutta, to appear before a med. board.

Medical Dept.—Surg. maj. S. A. Homan (22nd brig., R.A.), from Mar. 15 to April 15, to Calcutta, to appear before a med. board.

Medical Dept.—Surg. maj. D. J. O. Callaghan (garrison surg., Fort William), from April 1 to Sept. 30, to visit Simla on private affairs.

Medical Dept.—Assist. surg. A. Fitzgerald, from Jan. 9 to March 25, to visit the presy., preparatory to applying for leave to the Neilgherries on m.c.

CHAPLAINS.

March 13.—The following decision of Government is notified for general information:—
Extract Military Department Despatch, No. 353, dated Feb. 7, 1865, to the Venerable the Archdeacon of Calcutta.

"The chaplain of a military station has all the rights of a military officer belonging to the garrison in regard to claiming a suitable house, and of course retaining possession of any one which he may be occupying under the provision of Section XI. of the Military Regulations."

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following promotions, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

56th Foot.—Lieut. A. N. Bolton to be capt., by purchase v. Gubbins, who retires. Dated March 4, 1865.

Ens. J. E. Le Mottee to be lieut., by purchase, v. Bolton, prom.; March 4.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments:—

11th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. G. C. Jackson, 3rd squad. officer, to be 2nd squad. officer, v. Drummond, who has vacated; March 2.

Lieut. H. M. Buller, late 5th Eur. L.C., doing duty officer, to be 3rd squad. officer, v. Jackson; March 2.

Cornet G. R. J. Shakespear, 20th Hussars, a candidate for the staff corps, to be, with the sanction of Govt., offic. doing duty officer, v. Buller; March 2.

7th N.I.—Maj. F. J. Stephenson, wing officer, to be 2nd in command and wing officer, v. Nelson, apptd. comdt.; March 3.

Lieut. and Brev. Capt. H. R. B. Worsley, qr. mr., to be wing officer, v. Stephenson; March 3.

Lieut. F. E. Wiggins, general list, Inf., to be qr. mr., v. Worsley; March 8.

30th N.I.—Lieut. J. G. Campbell, late 15th N.I., to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Scott; March 7.

Nynce Tal Convalescent Depot.—Lieut. col. J. C. Macleod, of the 42nd foot, to be comdt., v. Maj. Harris; March 6.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to appoint Maj. C. F. G. Lamb, staff corps, Fort Adjutant at Chunar, v. Maj. G. Weld.

Lieut. M. O. Boyd, gen. list, inf., attached to the 55th foot, is app. interpreter to that corps.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointment subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Lieut. W. S. Nugent, of the 103rd foot, is app. instructor of musketry to the regt., v. Lieut. Bridges, with effect from Dec. 1, 1864.

The following transfer and posting are directed in the ordnance dept.:—

3rd Class Commissary Lieut. A. Walker, royal art., from the Dera Ismail Khan magazine, to the arsenal at Fort William.

Officg. 3rd Class Commissary Lieut. C. Cowie, royal art., to the Dera Ismail Khan magazine.

Lieut. H. Howell, gen. list, inf., attached to the 15th Bengal Cav., is directed to do duty with the 5th lancers, for the purpose of undergoing a course of instruction in cavalry drill.

Surg. W. Peskett, recently returned from sick leave to Europe, is app. to the med. charge of the 38th N.I., and directed to join.

March 11.—The undermen. officers are appd. to do gen. duty at the stations specified:—

Maj. R. M. S. Annesley, staff corps, at Agra; and Capt. A. A. Bruce, staff corps, at Barrackpore.

By the officer comdg. the left centre column Dooar field force, dated Nov. 29 last, authorising the estab. of a depot hospital at Cooch Behar, and appg. Asst. surg. T. B. Farncombe to assume med. charge.

By the same officer, dated Dec. 1 last, authorising the erection of a hut and sheds for the accommodation of the sick at the depot and for med. stores, as a temp. arrangement.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the officer comdg. the 46th foot, dated Dec. 19, 1863, appg. Lieut. H. P. Law to act as asst. instructor of musketry, with effect from Nov. 30, 1863.

By the officer comdg. the 98th foot, dated Oct. 8 last, appg. Ens. J. Campbell to offic. as adjt., with effect from the 9th idem., v. Lieut. and Adj. F. McPherson, on leave.

By the officer comdg. the 1st batt. 28rd foot, dated Oct. 31 last, appg. Ens. J. C. Bradshaw to offic. as asst. instructor of musketry, with effect from Dec. 1 last.

Umritsur station order, dated Nov. 6 last, directing Surg. T. Atchison, garrison surg., to assume med. charge of C baty. 19th brig., in addition to his other duties, v. Asst. surg. O. Ricketts.

Deolee station order, dated Jan. 1 last, directing Lieut. and Adj. J. Jacob, Bombay staff corps, adjt. Deolee irregular force, to offic. as station staff.

By Capt. E. F. Gregory, of the 98th foot, comdg. camp, Synthea, dated Jan. 12 last, directing Lieut. H. B. T. Wood, of the 88th foot, to comd. a section.

Julpigoree station order, dated Jan. 17 last, appg. Lieut. W. S. A. Lockhart, adjt. of the 14th Bengal cav., to offic. as station staff, v. Lieut. A. R. Loughnan, adjt. and offic. wing officer, 18th N.I., res.

Appointments:—

12th Bengal Cavalry.—Lieut. col. F. G. Crossman, comdg. Lahore light horse, to offic. as comdt., v. Lieut. col. Hockin, on leave to Eur. on m.c., dated March 10.

5th N.I.—Lieut. J. H. C. G. Lassalle, doing duty officer, to be qmrr., v. Litchfield, who has vacated, on prom., dated March 15.

16th N.I.—Lieut. D. R. Clarke, late 55th N.I., to be officg. adjt., v. Cubitt, dated March 14.

4th Goorkha Regt.—Lieut. J. K. McCausland, gen. list inf., to offic. as doing duty officer, dated March 6.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following promotions until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

2nd Batt. 12th Foot.—Ens. W. B. Ferris, to be lieut., by purchase, v. Nesbitt, who retires, dated Feb. 22.

80th Foot.—Ens. W. Sinclair, to be lieut., by purchase, v. Bicknell, who retires, dated March 11.

The retirement from the service, by the sale of his commission, of Lieut. G. Greig, of the 93rd foot, is accepted by the C. in C. in India, subject to confirmation by H.M., dated March 11.

The undermntd. officers are directed to do duty as specified:—

Maj. H. E. Young, late 64th N.I., to do gen. duty at Lucknow.

Lieut. A. Cockburn, late 52nd N.I., to do gen. duty at Cawnpore.

Lieut. R. S. Green, gen. list, inf., to do duty with the 91st foot.

Lieuts. H. W. Shoubridge, and F. M. M. Harris, gen. list, inf., to do duty with the 97th foot.

Lieut. H. Wylie, gen. list, inf., att. to the 10th Bengal cav., to do duty with the 19th N.I. now forming part of left brig. Dooar field force.

The undermen. officers were declared by the board of examiners at Fort William, on the 6th inst., to have passed the prescribed standards in the native languages, under G.G.O. No. 734, noted opposite their names:—

Maj. E. W. E. Howard, staff corps, for high proficiency in Hindue.

Lieut. H. Wylie, gen. list, inf., doing duty 10th Bengal cav., in the first standard.

Surg. maj. M. B. Galloway, on being relieved from the med. charge of the Kidderpore Depot Hospital by Staff surg. Mills, expected shortly from England, will proc. at his earliest convenience to join and assume med. charge of the 27th foot.

Asst. surg. L. Kidd, m.b., of the 27th foot, on being relieved by Surg. maj. Galloway, will proceed to Calcutta and assume charge of the arrears branch of the office of the Inspector gen. H.M.'s British hospitals, v. Surg. maj. M. W. Murphy, invalidated to England.

The following presidency div. orders are confirmed:—

Dated the 21st ult.—App. Maj. J. Morland, garrison qmrr., to offic. as garrison interpreter, v. Maj. S. D. White, late 3rd Eur. regt.

Dated the 27th idem.—Directing the following arrangements:—

Lieut. F. T. Ripley, late 47th N.I., and W. Hopkinson, gen. list, inf., to proceed to Gowhaty for duty with the right brig. Dooar field force.

Lieut. G. E. J. Maidman, staff corps, to proceed to Julpigoree for duty with the left brig. Dooar field force.

Lieut. D. Robertson, gen. list, inf., attached to the 54th foot, to proceed and do duty with the Chinsurah depot.

Dated the 28th idem.—Directing staff asst. surgs. D. A. Leslie, m.d., and E. J. Hatchell to do duty, the former with the 55th and the latter with the 54th foot.

The following Meerut div. orders are confirmed:—

Dated the 6th ult.—Directing the undermentioned

officers, on the march of the 1st batt. 20th foot, to do duty as specified:—

Capt. E. O'B. Horsford, late 46th N.I., to do gen. duty at Delhi.

Lieut. J. Fraser, gen. list, inf., to do gen. duty at Roorkee, pending arrival of relieving regt. to which he will be attached.

Dated the 15th idem.—Directing Lieut. J. W. Ridgeway, gen. list, inf., attached to the 1st batt. 20th foot, to do duty at Roorkee on the march of that regt., pending arrival of the relieving corps to which he will be attached.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Majors C. H. Byers (2nd in com. and wing officer 3rd N.I.), from March 11 to date of embarkation, to proceed to Bombay, to appear before a medical board; and H. M. Garstin, com. 42nd N.I., from Dec. 3 to Dec. 8, in ext.

Royal Artillery.—Lieut. col. J. F. Pennycuik (C battery 11th brigade), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to visit Nynee Tal.

7th Foot.—Lieut. G. L. Harvey, 1st batt., from date of embarkation, to England via the Cape of Good Hope, m.c.; and Capt. J. M. Scott, paymr. 1st batt., from date of embarkation to England, via either route, on m.c.

42nd Foot.—Lieut. E. Whitehead, from date of embarkation to England via the Cape of Good Hope, doing duty with troops en route.

Bengal Infantry.—Col. J. Liptrap, com. at Ferozepore, from April 8 to May 8, to Calcutta; Lieut. cols. J. Hennessy (doing general duty at Meerut), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Mussoorie and hills north of Deyrah; and G. Caulfield, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Simla.

Late 4th E.L.C.—Capt. H. G. Jenkins, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Nynee Tal and hills adjacent.

Late 5th E.L.C.—Capt. R. Jenkins, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Cashmere.

Late 38th N.I.—Lieut. R. C. Clifford, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Simla.

Late 24th N.I.—Major J. M. Earle (com. Fort Shukkudder, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to visit Murree and Cashmere.

Late 50th N.I.—Major H. E. Read, from March 8 to May 15, to Calcutta, m.c.

General List, Infantry.—Lieuts. C. H. Forster (attached to the 32nd N.I.), from March 1 to June 30, to Calcutta, to study the native languages. (This cancels the leave granted in G.O.C.C., dated Feb. 1 last); and R. Beavan (provisional instructor of musketry, 19th hussars) from April 15 to Oct. 15, to hills north of Deyrah.

Ordnance Department.—Sub conductor C. Rosister, from Feb. 6 to Aug. 6, to remain at Ferozepore on m.c.

PASSAGES.

March 10.—A question having been raised relative to the applicability of the recent orders of the Govt. of India, G.G.O., No. 317, dated April 8, 1864, and G.G.O., No. 773, dated Sept. 22, 1864, in regard to passages of officers, it is hereby notified, under instructions from Govt., that the G.G.O., No. 773, refers merely to officers travelling on duty in other ways than by sea, and was not intended to interfere in any way with the provisions of G.G.O., No. 317.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following promotions, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

72nd Foot.—Lieut. C. S. Murray, to be capt., by purch., v. MacNeil, who ret., dated March 8.

Ens. F. T. Goad to be lieut., by purch., v. Murray, prom., dated March 8.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments, until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

19th Hussars.—Lieut. H. E. Kensit, from the 20th hussars, to be lieut., v. Saunders, who exch., dated March 9.

20th Hussars.—Lieut. M. S. Saunders, from the 19th hussars, to be lieut., v. Kensit, who exch., dated March 9.

The C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appointments:—

10th Bengal Cavalry.—Lieut. A. P. Palmer, adjt., to offic. as 2nd squadron officer, v. Barnes, proceeded on leave to England, dated March 20.

Lieut. A. England, 3rd squadron officer, to act as adjt., v. Palmer, dated March 20.

Lieut. E. J. Webber, 3rd squadron officer, 16th Bengal cav., to offic. as 3rd squadron officer, v. England, dated March 20.

14th N.I.—Lieut. J. G. Maclean, attached to the 10th N.I., to offic. as qmrr., v. Chatterton, act. as adj. to the 29th N.I.; March 21.

43rd N.I.—Major R. G. Mayne, offic. comdt.,

39th N.I., to be comdt., v. Lieut. col. Campbell; March 16.

1st Goorkha regt.—Brev. maj. A. Cumine, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in command and wing officer, v. Rawlins, on sick leave to England; March 21.

Lieut. R. S. Hill, doing duty officer, to offic. as wing officer, v. Cumine; March 21.

Lieut. C. Mercer, gen. list, inf., to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Hill; March 21.

With reference to G.O. dated 15th inst., app. asst. surg. L. Kidd, m.b., of the 27th foot, to the charge of the arrears branch of the office of the Inspector gen. of H.M.'s British hospitals, Asst. surg. A. S. Russell, m.d., R.A., will take charge of the above duties until the arrival at Calcutta of Asst. surg. Kidd.

Lieut. C. S. Morrison, gen. list, inf., is removed from the 3rd Goorkha regt., and directed to proceed to Dinapore for general duty at that station.

The leave granted to Lieut. T. N. Walker, late 2nd Bengal fusiliers, wing officer of the 13th N.I., in G.O.C.C. of Oct. 1, is hereby cancelled.

Dated the 25th ult.—Directing Vet. surg. R. J. G. Hurford, of the 7th drag. gds., to afford professional aid to C battery. C brig. royal horse arty.

Dated the 4th inst.—Directing staff asst. surg. J. Ambrose, m.d., doing duty with the 58th foot, to do duty with the 7th drag. gds.

The following Benares division orders are confirmed:—

Dated Jan. 28 last.—Directing Capt. W. R. Lascelles, major of brigade, to officiate as dep. judge advocate gen., in addition to his other duties, v. Maj. G. C. Synge, 52nd foot, proceeded to join his regt. in England.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By Capt. J. G. Campbell, 104th foot, comdg. a detachment of invalids proceeding to the Presidency, dated Nov. 29 last, directing the following appt., with effect from 24th idem:—

Lieut. J. M. Douglas, D battery. 11th brig. Royal Artillery, to act as adjt. and qmrr.

By the officer comdg. the 20th N.I., dated Dec. 19 last, directing Lieut. A. Vallings to resume charge of his duties as officg. adjt.

By the officer comdg. a detachment of the 45th N.I. at Loodianah, dated Jan. 14 last, directing Civil asst. surg. C. E. Wikeley to assume medical charge of the detachment, with effect from Oct. 14 last.

Dugshai station order, dated Jan. 31, appg. Lieut. J. C. Partridge, adjt. of the 131st foot, to offic. as station staff, v. Capt. G. Wedderburne, of the 1st battalion 7th foot.

Allahabad station order, dated the 28th ult., appg. Lieut. F. L. Goad, of the 107th foot, station interpreter, there being no other qualified officer available, v. Capt. Saunders.

Saugor station order, dated the 1st inst., directing Staff asst. surg. H. F. L. Melladew, m.d., to do duty with the 97th foot till the arrival of the detachment of invalids from Jubbulpore.

Presidency div. order, dated the 8th inst., directing Surg. E. Taylor, to proceed to Gowhaty, and report himself for duty with the Dooar field force.

Banda station order, dated the 28th ult., placing the services of Asst. surg. T. Ringer, m.d., of the 40th N.I., at the disposal of the civil authorities, for the medical charge of the civil station and jail, in addition to his other duties.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Lieut. col. T. F. Wilson, c.b., comdt. 7th Bengal cav., from March 11 to date of embarkation to Calcutta, prep. to applying for leave to Eur. on m.c.; and Lieut. H. L. Hawkins, 2nd squad. officer 7th Bengal cav., from April 15 to Oct. 15, to visit Calcutta.

Royal Horse Art.—Maj. G. A. Renny, v.c., comdg. D battery. F brig., from April 16 to Oct. 15, to visit Murree and the hills adjacent.

Royal Art.—Lieut. M. J. Clarke, F battery. 14th brig., from date of embarkation, to Eng. overland on m.c.

3rd Drag. Guards.—Capt. J. L. Egginton adjt., from date of embarkation to England via Egypt, on m.c.

33rd Foot.—Surg. W. Hanbury, from date of embarkation, to England via Egypt, on m.c.

38th Foot.—Lieuts. D. R. Lufthouse, from 7th Feb. to date of retirement, to proc. to the presidency, prep. to retiring from the service; and E. C. Bicknell, from March 1 to date of retirement, to England, prep. to retiring from the service.

56th Foot.—Lieut. col. J. J. Bull, from date of embarkation, to England overland, on m.c.

93rd Foot.—Lieut. G. Greig, from Feb. 15 to

date of retirement, to proceed to Kangra, pending his retirement from the service.

97th Foot.—Lieut. R. W. Barber, from date of leaving regt., for 1 mo., to Calcutta, m.c.

Late 31st N.I.—Lieut. T. N. Baker (doing duty 2nd N.I.), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Almorah and hills north of Deyrah.

Late 38th N.I.—Capt. F. H. Inglefield (doing duty at the Landour depot), from Oct. 15 to Nov. 3, in ext., to enable him to rejoin.

Late 49th N.I.—Maj. R. Larkins (2nd in com. and wing officer 18th N.I.), from April 1 to Oct. 1, in ext., to Moradabad and hills north of Deyrah, on m.c.

Sir Hugh Rose's Last General Order.

His Excellency Sir Hugh Rose, previous to his departure, issued the following general order:—

Head Quarters, Calcutta, March 22.

The C. in C. in India, at the expiration of his term of service, considers it his duty to thank the army for their discipline and efficiency.

All the reports received from the officers commanding divisions and brigades, and the approval of H.R.H. the F.M. Cg. in C., give evidence of the satisfactory state of the one and the other.

The links of authority, ascending to the Government of India, and the Secretary of State for India, prove that the same meed of praise is due to the native army.

The native army, which was remodelled and reorganised after the events of 1857, had to encounter great difficulties in the fulfilment of that object; but the unwearied zeal and ability of the officers, and the good feeling of the men, prevailed over every obstacle, and the State has now at its service an efficient, obedient, and well-disposed native army, who, young as they are, have already done good service in the field.

These results could not have been obtained if the patronage of the army had not been devoted exclusively to military merit.

In a wise and most disinterested spirit, the Government of India allowed the officer who had been selected for the chief command, at a time when one of the most important part of his duties was the reorganisation of the army, to administer its patronage.

Sir Hugh Rose claims no merit whatever for having considered this honourable trust as a sacred one; he published a general order in which he announced that in whatever way an officer could prove his merit and good service he would reward him with the appointments which the Government had been pleased to place at his disposal.

By these means officers who had given practical and sure proofs that they possessed the highest military qualifications were placed at the head of the reorganisation of the army.

The Commander-in-Chief thanks the officers of the army for the manner in which they have justified his confidence in them, and fulfilled their part of the obligation.

Constant inspections have proved to his Excellency how unwearied have been their exertions, and the exercise of their abilities, to do justice to their selection; and, whilst it has been his Excellency's duty almost always to eulogise the success of their efforts, their earnest good will and judgment have rendered, with rare exceptions, reproof unnecessary.

The reorganisation of the native army, which has taken place during his Excellency's command, has made it necessary that he should dwell particularly on points relating to them.

The praise which it is His Excellency's duty to bestow on the officers of the native, applies just as much to those of the British army; and it may be said, that the officers and men of all the armies under His Excellency's command, have not only scrupulously obeyed his orders and wishes, but have done their best to anticipate them.

The Commander-in-Chief in India entertains the conviction that the army will not relax the zeal and exertions which have brought them to the present high standard, and that they will continue to merit the confidence of the very distinguished general officer who has been selected to succeed him, of Government, and their most Gracious Sovereign.

Sir Hugh Rose bids the army farewell, with the most earnest wishes for their welfare and happiness.

Their good conduct has rendered his great command a source of satisfaction, not of anxiety; and the parting with them is his only cause of regret.

By order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

E. HAYTHORNE, Colonel,
Adjutant General.

Military Letters.

SALARIES OF CIVIL SERVANTS.

India-office, London, Feb. 2, 1865.

To his Excellency the Right Hon. the Gov. Gen. of India in Council.

Sir,—In accordance with the suggestion made in your letter in the Foreign Department, dated Sept. 19 (No. 17), 1864, I have consulted the law officers of the Crown and the standing counsel to this department on the question whether the restrictions as to salaries in India imposed by Acts 33 George III., cap. 52, section 57, and 53 George III., cap. 155, section 82, have been repealed by Act 24 and 25 Victoria, cap. 54; and it is the opinion of those functionaries that the enactments in question have been wholly repealed by section 7 of the last-mentioned Act.

2. It will be proper, in accordance with this opinion, that any sums which, since the passing of Act 24 and 25 Victoria, cap. 54, have been withheld from any junior civilians in any of the Presidencies under the view of the law which has now been declared to be erroneous should be paid to them, and that any sums retrenched on the same account should be refunded; and, having considered the subject in Council, I have to request that you will cause an adjustment of the salaries of the civil servants in question to be effected in conformity with this view.

3. I shall address you hereafter on the general subject of the limitation of salaries in relation to length of service.—I have, &c., C. WOOD.

The Scinde Frontier Force.

Head Qrs., Camp Kusmore, March 13.—The C. in C. having completed his inspection of the station of Jacobabad, and the Scinde Frontier Posts, desires to congratulate the C. in C. of the Scinde Frontier Force on the thorough efficiency of all his arrangements, and the discipline and good order of the regiments under his command.

H.E. has for many years heard the greatest commendation passed on the corps and establishments of the Frontier, organised by the late Brig.-gen. Jacob; his expectations were great in consequence. It is with the utmost satisfaction that he is able to assure Lieut.-col. Green that these expectations have been fully justified by the recent close inspection.

The appearance of the several regiments on parade and their drill, which combines celerity of movement with exactness, leaves nothing to be desired. In like manner, the excellent system of superintendence and vigilance practised along the frontier affords a capital school. His Excellency is happy to hear from Lieut.-colonel Green that the British officers under his command are not slow to profit by the practice thus afforded them; that they are thus preparing themselves for situations of greater responsibility hereafter, whilst on the most recent marches and pursuits exercised by the native officers I hear that they have in no manner deteriorated from the efficiency which characterised them under the lamented Brigadier-general Jacob, and when the frontier was not so peaceable as it is now.

His Excellency has great pleasure in announcing to the Scinde Frontier Force his intention of making the most favourable report of everything that has come under his notice during his inspection to the Hon. the Governor in Bombay, the last duty to be performed by his Excellency in the command of the Bombay army.

By order of H.E. the C. in C.,

R. PHAYRE, Lieut.-Colonel,
Quartermaster-General of the army.

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Bombay Castle, March 24.—No. 175.—The following officers are allowed a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo., on m.c.:—

Maj. J. Pogson, comdt. H.M.'s 17th regt. N.I.
Maj. C. Thompson, wing officer H.M.'s 9th regt. N.I.

March 27.—No. 177.—Lieut. col. J. G. Balmain, royal Madras art., coms. Chuttesghur div., Central Provs., is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo., on m.c.

No. 178.—Surg. maj. A. C. McLeod, of the Madras estab., is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo., on m.c.

No. 179.—Lieut. S. A. Smith, staff corps, adjt. H.M.'s 17th regt. N.I., has a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo., on m.c.

No. 180.—The serv. of Lieut. H. T. Christie, gen. list, are placed at the disp. of the Govt. of India for appt. on the personal staff of the C. in C. in India.

No. 181.—Lieut. C. H. Plowden, H.M.'s 19th regt. Madras N.I., asst. coms. of Wurdah, Central Provs., has a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo., on m.c.

No. 182.—Lieut. C. Grant, cadre H.M.'s 2nd regt. L.C., and 3rd squad. officer southern Maratha horse, is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 18 mo., on m.c.

No. 183.—The appt. in G.O. No. 152 of Col. Forster, R.A., to the brig. staff, is cancl. at his own request.

Col. C. Birdwood is apptd. to the brig. staff with the tempy. rank of brig. gen., during the abs. of Brig. gen. Heath, or until further orders.

No. 185.—Lieut. col. J. McK. Taylor, comdg. H.M.'s 2nd regt. L.C., is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 6 mo.

ORDERS CANCELLED.

No. 187.—The alterations and promotions in army rank of officers who have retired from the service, or who have been transferred to the invalid establishment since Feb. 18, 1861, announced in G.O. dated Nov. 22, 1864, No. 569, are hereby cancelled under instructions from the Secretary of State.

Bombay Castle, March 29.—No. 190.—Under instructions from the Govt. of India, the G.O. No. 87, dated Feb. 14 last, relative to travelling allowance to office establishments of the head quarters staff when absent from head quarters, is cancl.

No. 191.—Lieut. E. S. Ostrehan, sub-asst. coms. gen., 2nd class, to be acting sub-asst. coms. gen., 1st class, during the abs. of Maj. Gray.

Lieut. A. M. Shewell, supy. sub-asst. coms. gen., to be acting sub-asst. coms. gen., 2nd class, during the abs. of Lieut. Harris.

No. 192.—Asst. surg. J. Lumsdaine has been apptd. supt. of Matheran, v. Dr. Smith.

No. 193.—The underment. medical officer, having completed 12 years' service, to be surgeon from the date specified, in accordance with para. 23 of G.O. by the Govt. of India, No. 1,060, dated Dec. 23, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Asst. surg. H. J. Gane, March 20, 1865.

No. 194.—Lieut. and qmr. J. M. Madden, 5th regt. N.L.I., has 6 mo.'s leave to proceed to Madras.

No. 195.—Lieut. col. C. P. Rigby, staff corps, has leave of abs. to England, without pay, for 6 mos., from April 14 next.

No. 196.—Col. H. Rivers, R.E., is permitted to retire from the service from April 14 next.

March 25.—Lieut. col. J. T. Barr, acting political agent at Kolhapoor, in the Southern Maratha Country, has been allowed priv. leave for 3 mo.

Capt. G. Westropp, of the Bombay staff corps, assumed charge of the duties of 2nd in com. of the Kolhapoor inf. on the 20th inst.

March 23.—Mr. N. W. Oliver, sen. mag. of police, is allowed leave of abs., on m.c., for 1 year, to proceed to England.

Mr. Oliver is also allowed 14 days prep. leave.

Mr. J. P. Bickersteth, solicitor to Govt., is allowed leave of abs. for 6 mo., from April 29 next, to proceed to England.

March 25.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to confirm the appt. by the Hon. the Chief Justice of H.M.'s High Court of Judicature of Mr. J. Marriott to be Clerk of the Crown.

Mr. W. Sandwith, acting asst. judge and sess. judge of Poona, is allowed priv. leave of absence for 1 mo.

March 29.—Capt. Bonnor, supt. of police, Punch Mahals, is allowed 1 week's leave, under clause 39 of the new furl. rules.

The Hon. Mr. J. S. White is app. to act as advocate gen. during the abs. of the Hon. Mr. A. J. Lewis on leave.

Mr. G. H. D. Wilson, act. 3rd asst. coll. and mag. of Sattara, is vested with the powers of a mag. in the Sattara dist.

Mr. T. M. Mason, acting 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Kulladghee, is vested with the powers of a mag. in the Kulladghee dist.

Mr. W. B. Mulock, 8rd asst. coll. and mag. of Ahmedabad, is vested with the powers of a mag. in the Ahmedabad dist.

Mr. W. Sandwith acted as judge and sess. judge of Poona and agent for sirdars in the Deccan, from Feb. 25 to March 16, both days inclusive.

Mr. A. K. Nairne, acting 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Rutnagherry, is vested with the powers of a mag. in the Rutnagherry dist.

Mr. R. B. Worthington, 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Dharwar, is vested with the powers of a mag. in the Dharwar dist.

March 25.—Mr. W. T. Cole to be coll. of customs at Kurrachee.

March 27.—Mr. L. Reid, acting coll. of Dharwar, is allowed leave for 1 mo., from April 5, 1865, under sec. VI. of the new civil service absentee rules.

March 28.—Mr. M. J. M. Shaw Stuart, coll. of Canara, is allowed preparatory leave for 10 days before proceeding on 6 mo. leave to Europe, granted to him on the 8th ult.

March 29.—Mr. J. R. Morgan, acting revenue and police comr., southern div., is allowed preparatory leave for 4 days, before proceeding on 6 mo. leave to Europe, granted to him on the 28th inst.

Mr. E. Pratt, asst. comr. of customs, salt, and opium, acted as deputy comr. of customs, northern div., from Nov. 2, 1864, to Jan. 27, 1865.

Mr. Bhasker Damodher, asst. revenue comr., southern div., has been app. to office as alienation settlement officer, southern div., from March 1, 1865, during the absence on leave for 3 mo. of Major Etheridge, or until further orders.

March 27.—H.E. the Governor in Council has placed the services of Asst. surg. H. P. McGrath at the disposal of the Govt. of India, for employment in the Central Provinces.

March 29.—Asst. surg. C. F. Ogilvie, civil surg., Sholapur, is allowed leave for 2 mo., under the provision of clause 33 of the new furlough rules, his duties during his absence being performed by Asst. surg. Royle, R.A.

The follg. proms. have been made in H.M.'s Bombay civil service:—

From class 3 to class 2.—April 8, 1864.

Mr. L. H. B. Tucker, the Hon. H. Newton, Mr. F. Lloyd.

From Class 4 to Class 3.—March 8, 1864.

Messrs. J. A. G. Duff and W. Sandwith.

Feb. 23, 1865.

Messrs. T. C. Hope, H. N. B. Erakine, J. G. White, F. F. Arbuthnot.

From Class 5 to Class 4.—Feb. 22, 1864.

Messrs. F. D. Melville, W. M. Salmon, E. H. Percival, A. L. Spens, A. R. Macdonald, W. H. Probert, J. G. Moore, F. Macnaghten, J. B. Peile, W. Ramsay, W. G. Pedder, R. West, H. E. Jacomb.

March 9, 1865.

Messrs. C. M. Hogg, W. R. Pratt, T. M. Mason, J. H. Grant, A. A. C. Jervoise.

Feb. 22, 1864.

Messrs. W. H. Newnham, J. W. S. Wyllie, R. B. Worthington, J. B. Richey.

March 9, 1865.

Messrs. A. K. Nairne, J. MacFarlan, G. Waddington, A. H. Spry.

From Class 6 to Class 5.—Oct. 10, 1864.

Messrs. W. W. Wedderburn, C. B. Ixon, G. M. Macpherson, J. King, E. H. Little.

March 24.—Lieuts. T. J. Willans and L. T. Boileau, R.E., are app. prob. asst. engrs. in the public works dept.

March 28.—The Hon. the Gov. in Council has been pleased to appoint Mr. T. C. Hayllar, barrister-at-law, a member of the Rampart Removal Committee, v. the Hon. Mr. Cassels, res.

March 29.—No. 41.—Surg. major H. Giraud, M.D., surgeon of the Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy Hospital, has priv. leave for 2 mo. from 5th prox.

March 18.—Mr. F. Gibbons, dep. mag. of Kurrachee, is authorised to exercise full powers of a magistrate, under Code of Criminal Procedure, Act 25 of 1861.

Mr. B. Bradford, dep. mag. of Hyderabad, is authorised to exercise full powers of a magistrate, under Code of Criminal Procedure, Act 25 of 1861.

March 21.—Messrs. F. Gibbons and B. Bradford respectively made over and received charge on 15th inst. of the office of dep. collector in charge of treasury, Hyderabad.

March 22.—Lieut. C. M. Griffith and Mr. F. Gibbons respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of supernu. dep. magistrate of Kurrachee on 18th inst.

April 8.—No. 208.—The following officers are allowed furl. to Eur. for 20 mo. on m.c.:—

Lieut. col. J. B. Dunsterville, staff corps, coms. gen. of the army.

Maj. J. T. Annesley, staff corps, pension paymaster at the presidency.

Maj. W. Creagh, staff corps, wing officer H.M.'s 19th regt. N.I.

SURREPTITIOUS TRANSLATIONS.

No. 209.—H.E. in Council learns with deep regret that at a recent examination of proficiency in the native languages, three officers tendered translations which bore internal evidence of being prepared by another. When questioned, the officers admitted that their translations were not entirely their own *bona fide* performances.

The case was reported to H.E. the C. in C., who will have taken due notice of the misconduct of the officers.

But H.E. in Council has been advised in consequence to require from future candidates certain declarations on honour to preclude similar practices. This he is unwilling to do. If it be possible that a lax apprehension of honour in this matter has begun to prevail, H.E. in Council believes that this publication of the case is alone sufficient to recal officers and gentlemen to a true sense of such conduct.

No. 210.—Lieut. col. J. Worgan, R.A., is allowed leave to Eur. for 6 mo. on priv. affairs, under the new furl. regs.

2nd Capt. J. G. T. Griffith, to be capt., v. Playfair, dated Oct. 24.

April 11.—No. 212.—The undermntd. officers are allowed furl. for 18 mo. on m.c.:—

Lieut. E. H. Davidson, H.M.'s 26th Regt. N.I. Asst. surg. J. F. Straker.

No. 213.—Capt. H. C. Menzies, Madras staff corps, asst. comr. Hyderabad assigned dists., is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo., on m.c.

No. 214.—Capt. W. W. Goodfellow, R.E., acting exec. engr. Canara, is allowed 3 mo. leave to Eur. under the new furl. regulations, from April 14.

No. 215.—Capt. C. J. Merriman, R.E., has a furl. to Eur. for 2 years, under the new furl. regulations.

No. 216.—Capt. C. J. Merriman, R.E., 1st asst. Great Trigonometrical Survey, in charge of Bombay party, has a furl. to Eur. for 6 mo.

No. 218.—The undermntd. officer having completed 20 years' service, six of which were on permanent staff employ, to be maj. from the date specified, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Capt. W. T. Chitty, April 1.

No. 219.—Capt. J. Gordon, H.M.'s 1st regt. Sind horse, is granted an exten. of priv. leave from 15th inst. to 15th June next.

April 12.—No. 221.—Lieut. G. R. Peart, Bombay staff corps, 3rd squad. officer 1st regt. C.I. horse, is granted leave of absence for 6 mo., from May 12 next, without pay, to proceed to Eur.

April 6.—Mr. J. P. Bickersteth is app. senior mag. of police at Bombay, retaining his appt, as registrar of the diocese.

Mr. H. E. Leeke is app. to act as senior mag. of police at Bombay, during the absence of Mr. J. P. Bickersteth on leave.

April 10.—Mr. C. M. Hogg, 2nd asst. coll. and mag. of Surat, is vested with the powers of a mag. in the Surat district.

April 12.—Mr. E. T. G. Pearson, asst. sec. to Govt. in the judicial dept., has been allowed an ext. for 1 mo. of the leave of abs. on m.c. granted to him in Govt. notification, dated Dec. 24.

Mr. S. H. Phillips, 2nd asst. to the coll. and mag. of Khandeish, has been vested with the powers of a mag. in the Khandeish district.

Mr. G. Miles is appd. to act as asst. sec. to Govt. in the judicial dept., with effect from the 1st inst.

The Hon. the Chief Justice and judges of H.M.'s High Court of Judicature have sanctioned the adjournment from May 1 to 15 next of the Small Cause Court at Belgaum.

Mr. J. P. Bickersteth received charge of the office of senior mag. of police from Mr. H. E. Leeke on April 7.

The Hon. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following appts. in the Bombay Court of Small Causes:—

Mr. J. O'Leary, barrister-at-law, to act as 1st judge during the abs. of Mr. J. F. Hore.

Mr. N. Spencer to act as 2nd judge during the abs. of Mr. F. D. Faithfull on leave.

Lieut. J. Q. Davies, asst. supnt. of police at Ahmednuggur, acted as supnt. of police at that station from April 14, 1864, to March 24, 1865.

April 7.—The furl. for 2 years granted to Mr. T. C. Hope, C.S., under date July 18, 1863, is extended to 3 years, under section 1, chapter 1, of the new C.S. Furl. and Absentee Rules.

April 11.—Capt. W. Waddington to be superint. revenue survey and assessment, Tanna and Rutnagherry.

Appointments:—

Mr. W. Foxton to be 2nd class dep. coll. and mag. in Shikarpoor, but to continue to act as 1st class dep. coll. and mag. in Shikarpoor.

Mr. A. M. Boulton to be 3rd class dep. coll. and mag. in Shikarpoor, v. Mr. W. Foxton, but to continue to act as 3rd class dep. coll. and mag. in Kurrachee.

Lieut. R. J. Crawford to act as 3rd class dep. coll. and mag. in Shikarpoor, v. Mr. A. M. Boulton, Mr. W. A. Ingle to act as 3rd class dep. coll. and

mag. during the absence of Mr. W. Boulton on sick leave to England.

Mr. H. Ryland to be supernumerary dep. coll. and mag., v. Mr. A. M. Boulton, but to continue to act as 3rd class dep. coll. and mag. in Hyderabad.

Mr. F. Gibbons to be a supernumerary dep. coll. and mag., v. Lieut. C. M. Griffith, transf. to the police.

Mr. B. Bradford to be hoozoor dep. coll. and mag. at Hyderabad.

Lieut. R. J. Crawford and Mr. W. A. Ingle acted as 3rd class dep. colls. in the Shikarpoor collectorate from Sept. 26 to Nov. 11 respectively.

April 12.—Mr. W. A. Pelly, asst. comr. of customs, salt, and opium, has been allowed leave of absence on m.c. for 1 mo. from 16th ult., under section XI. of the Revised Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

April 3.—Mr. W. London, administrator general of Bombay, is allowed leave of absence for 18 mo., from the date on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr. C. Peile is appointed to act as administrator general during Mr. London's absence, or until further orders.

April 12.—Surg. major H. J. Giraud, M.D., to be honorary insp. of vaccination at the presidency.

April 10.—Lieut. A. W. Baird, R.E., having qualified for permanent employ in the public works department on March 28, was appointed 2nd class asst. engr. on that date.

April 12.—Lieut. C. Mant, R.E., has passed an examination in the Gujarati language, according to the test prescribed in page 14, Articles 9 and 10 of the Public Works Code.

Mr. W. A. Russell, educational inspector of the northern div., is appointed educational insp. of the southern div.

Mr. T. B. Curtis, head master of the Ahmedabad high school, is appointed educational insp. of the northern div., v. Mr. W. A. Russell.

Surg. R. Haines, M.B., is confirmed in the appointment of professor of chemistry in the Elphinstone College.

Professor F. J. Candy, M.A., joined the Elphinstone College, and Professor Keru Luxumon, the Poona College, on the 1st inst.

April 10.—The Hon. W. E. Frere has been permitted to resign his seat in council and the service of H.M.'s Govt., from the 7th inst.

H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to direct that all the honours due to a member of council shall continue to be paid to the Hon. W. E. Frere up to the date of his embarkation for Europe.

BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Adj. Gen.'s Office, Poona, March 23.—No. 312.—Lieut. col. J. S. Kemball, staff corps, is transf. from gen. duty, Poona, to gen. duty, Malligam.

Lieut. J. P. M. Newton, cadre 11th regt. N.I., is apptd. to comd. the 5th compy. sappers and miners at Aden, v. Mockler, whose appt. is can.

The above officers are entitled to join their stations at the public expense, under the provisions of G.G.O. No. 515 of Oct. 25, 1864.

March 25.—No. 317.—The invalids, time-expired men, &c., with their families, attached to the general depot and Colaba sanitarium embarked for England in the ship *Dunbar Castle* on 18th inst.

The following officers were appointed to do duty with the detachment:—

Royal Artillery.—Capt. C. E. Newport, to command.

44th Foot.—Lieut. A. J. Roberts, to do duty.

72nd Foot.—Lieut. D. J. B. Hebdson, ditto.

108th Foot.—Lieut. J. H. Shaw, ditto.

17th Lancers.—Asst. surg. S. A. Lithgow, in medical charge.

No. 318.—Capt. S. W. O. Stevens is attached to the 3rd regt. L.C., and will proceed to join at the public expense.

No. 319.—The underment. officer returned to duty, by permission of the Secy. of State for India, on March 14, 1865:—

Capt. J. H. Castell, staff corps.

No. 320.—The following order is confirmed:—
Dated March 14, 1865.—By Maj. Miles, comdg. wing 16th regt. N.I., apptg. Lieut. Jackson acting adjt. of the wing, with effect from March 14.

April 1.—No. 335.—The following order is confirmed:—

Dated March 16.—By the officer comg. 23rd regt. N.L.I. (with reference to G.O.C. No. 242, March 6), directing Lieut. Gatacre to continue to officiate as qrmr., and Capt. Ross as adjt., until arrival of Lieut. Ebdson.

No. 340.—H.R.H. the F.M. Cg. in C. has been pleased to grant leave of absence as follows:—

18th Brig. Royal Art.—Capt. D. G. Anderson, from Jan. 11 to Oct. 11, m.c.

Lieut. J. G. Edwards, from Jan. 18 to Oct. 18, m.c.

Lieut. J. Day, from Feb. 12 to May 12, in ext., m.c.

21st Brig. Royal Art.—Capt. R. A. Stevenson, from Jan. 18 to Oct. 18, m.c.

Leave of absence:—

2nd Capt. R. A. Stevenson, 21st brig. R.A., from date of embarkation to England, by the overland route, on m.c.

Lieut. J. W. Fitzgerald, 8rd drag. guards, from date of embarkation to England, for 12 mo.

Col. J. E. Collings, 33rd foot, from date of embarkation to England, via Egypt, on m.c.

Capt. B. G. Graham, 33rd foot, from date of dep. from Bombay to England, for 15 mo., doing duty with troops on the voyage.

Lieut. A. J. Roberts, 44th foot, from date of embarkation to England, for 15 mo.

Capt. E. S. K. Dawson, 106th foot, from date of dep. from Bombay to England, for 15 mo.

Ens. W. H. Webb, 109th foot, from date of embarkation at Aden to England, via the overland route, on m.c.

Lieut. F. Wise, 6th dragoons, from date of dep. to England, for 15 mo.

Lieut. col. J. MacK. Taylor, 2nd regt. L.C., from March 2 to April 14, to Bombay, prep. to furl. to Europe.

Capt. F. D. Walters, 44th foot, from April 20 to July 19.

Ens. F. T. Goad, 72nd highlanders, from April 1 to June 15.

April 3.—No. 342.—Appointments:—
18th Regt. N.I.

Major H. E. Jacob to offic. as comdt. during the absence on furl. of Lieut. col. Combe; Capt. J. A. Smith to offic. as 2nd in com., v. Jacob; Capt. C. O. Lord, cadre 13th regt. N.I., to offic. as wing officer, v. Smith.

Lieut. W. H. Newport, doing duty officer, to offic. as wing officer till the arrival of Capt. Lord.

Capt. Lord is app. staff officer at Bhooj, in addition to his duties as wing officer.

Lieut. C. T. Echalar, general list, to be aide-de-camp to the commander of the forces from 14th ult.

Capt. D. H. Hickman, staff corps, to act as aide-de-camp, as a temporary measure, from 24th ult.

No. 343.—With reference to G. O. No. 183, of 27th ult., Brigadier gen. C. Birdwood is posted to the Ahmednuggur brigade.

No. 344.—The following temporary arrangements are confirmed:—

14th Regt. N.I.—Major F. E. Francis to offic. as comdt., and Major J. T. Hill as 2nd in com., and Capt. W. B. Preston as wing officer, with effect from March 28, and during such time as Col. Montgomery may command the Ahmednuggur brigade.

No. 345.—With reference to G.O. No. 235, dated 4th ult., Capt. Davidson is attached to the 3rd regt. N.I. at Malligann.

No. 346.—Capt. R. Wallace, cadre 5th regt. N.L.I., is attached to do duty with the regt. at Belgau.

No. 347.—Asst. surg. G. C. Bell is appd. to the med. charge of the 9th regt. N.I., and will proc. to join immediately after May 1 next.

No. 348.—Surg. M. M. Mackenzie is appd. to the med. charge of the 22nd regt. N.I., and will join on the arrival of the regt. from China.

No. 349.—Under instructions from H.E. the C. in C. in India, the undermen. officers of H.M.'s 89th foot, are perm. to precede the regt. to England by the overland route:—

Col. W. Boyle, Capt. F. Knatchbull, and Lieut. W. Pott.

April 5.—No. 353.—The undermen. officer returned to duty by perm. of the Sec. of State for India on March 28:—

Lieut. D. C. Bell, 17th regt. N.I.

No. 355.—Leave of absence:—

Lieut. E. T. Pottinger, 18th brig. royal arty., from Feb. 12 to March 3, in ext.

Lieut. A. T. C. Stevenson, 21st brig. royal arty., from Feb. 21 to April 21, in ext.

Lieut. Pottinger will embark at Marseilles for India on the expiration of his leave.

Lieut. Stevenson will, on the expiration of his leave, join the depot brig. for duty until further orders.

Major C. Rice, 72nd foot, from April 14, 1865, to April 13, 1866, to England.

Lieut. G. B. Leslie, 24th regt. N.I., from Feb. 20 to March 1, in ext.

Capt. E. A. Law, 103rd foot, 30 days from date of departure, to proceed to Bombay on m.c.

April 8.—No. 363.—Capt. F. W. Brown, staff corps, is appd. station staff officer and supnt. of bazaars at Baroda, during the abs. of Capt. Hickman:—

No. 364.—Leave of absence:—

Lieut. E. T. Pottinger, 18th brig. royal art., from date of departure for 30 days.

Lieut. C. M. Erskine, 103rd foot, from April 15 to July 14.

Lieut. W. S. Nugent, 103rd foot, from April 1 to April 30, in ext.

Lieut. R. G. Mayne, adjt. S.M. horse, cadre 1st cav., from April 1 to April 30, in ext.

NAVAL.

Marine Dept., Bombay Castle, March 29.—Mr. W. G. Corke to act as 1st asst. master attendant, deputy registrar of shipping, and as surveyor of the port, during the absence of Mr. J. E. C. Pryce on leave.

Mr. T. F. Goward is app. to act as 2nd asst. master attendant and conservator of the port, and member of the Board of Examiners for granting certificates to masters and mates of merchant vessels, v. Mr. Corke.

April 12.—Lieut. W. L. Searle, dock master, has leave to England for 1 year, m.c.

BIRTHS.

BAGLEY.—At Alipore, March 28, the wife of J. H. Bagley, Esq., of a daughter.

BROWNE.—At Bombay, Lower Colaba, April 10, the wife of Mr. G. A. Browne, Head Clerk Gun Carriage, of a son.

DIVER.—At the Cloister, Malabar-hill, the wife of Thomas Diver, M.D., of a daughter.

FITZ JAMES.—At Puneah, March 28, the wife of Frank Fitz James, Esq., C.E., prematurely, of a son, still-born.

FLINDERS.—On s.s. *Baroda*, at sea, March 18, the wife of E. A. Flinders, Esq., of a son.

GREEN.—At the Crow's Nest, Mahaluxmee, March 18, the wife of Frank Henry Green, solicitor, of a son.

HUSSEY.—March 28, at Byculla, the wife of Mr. W. H. Hussey, P. and O. Co.'s Service, of a son.

JACOBS.—At Mahabeshwur, March 29, the wife of Lieut. Jacobs, S.S., of a son.

MALONE.—At Mhow, March 24, the wife of Riding-master J. Malone, V.C., Inniskilling Dragoons, of a son (still-born).

MOORE.—At Mount Aboo, Rajpootana, March 31, the wife of Dr. Moore, Surgeon, Joudpoor Political Agency, of a daughter (still-born).

NEWTON.—March 30, at Malabar Hill, the wife of Mr. Henry Newton, Civil Service, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

GOSLIN.—SEMLER.—At St. John's Church, April 6, Charles Wilkinson Goslin, Esq., to Louisa Charlotte, only daughter of J. Semler, Esq., of Erlangen, in Germany.

MELVILLE.—PLOWDEN.—At St. Thomas's Church, Dehra Doon, March 27, Alexander Melville, Capt. H.M.'s Indian Army, to Matilda, eldest daughter of the late Lieut. col. A. W. C. Plowden, Bengal Cav.

STUART.—GOWARD.—At the Cathedral, April 4, Mr. David Thompson Stuart, to Miss Norah Mary Goward.

TAYLOR.—HUSSEY.—At Christ Church, Byculla, March 30, Mr. W. H. Taylor, to Agnes, widow of the late James Hussey, of Bombay.

DEATHS.

BAPTIST.—At Goa, Assagaum, March 25, Zeferino Baptist, Examiner, Political Department, Secretariat, aged 46.

BELL.—At Agra, March 25, Helen Louisa, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Bell, aged 1 year.

BURROWS.—At Middle Colaba, March 31, Mrs. Ann Burrows, relict of the late Mr. T. Burrows, Ordnance Department, aged 48.

CAMPBELL.—Dugald Campbell, Esq., M.D., Madras Army, son of the late Major Neil Campbell, H.E.I.C.S., and grandson of the late John Campbell, Esq., of Kilmarsin, of cholera, on his way from Vellore to Kemptee, aged 31, March 29.

COLEMAN.—At the Sailors' Home, Bombay, April 6, Henry Coleman, shipping agent, aged 40.

CONNELL.—At Bellasis Junction-road, Byculla, April 7, of cholera, Isabella F., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. F. Connell, aged 5 years.

DALEY.—At Coomberwadda, April 7, of cholera, the wife of Mr. Isaac John Daley, aged 19.

DRURY.—At Hursao, April 6, Eliza, wife of Mr. Thomas Drury, Inspector of Works, Hursao, G.I.P. Railway, aged 25.

ELLIOT.—At Nusseerabad, March 27, Lieut. col. E. K. Elliot, Bengal Staff Corps, and Agent to the Governor general for the States of Rajpootana, aged 54.

GALWAY.—At Asseerghur, April 4, Ens. I. Galway, H.M.'s 108rd regt.

GRAHAM.—At Durbungah, Tirhoot, March 29, William Reveley, the infant son of George Graham, Esq., C.S., aged 7 months.

HALL.—At Umballa, March 8, of lock-jaw, Anna, the wife of Mr. E. J. Hall, aged 27 years.

JOHN.—At Agra, March 27, of confluent small-pox, Lilla C. H., daughter of Mr. Christopher A. John, Assistant Patrol, Jhansi Division, aged 8 months.

KINSEY.—At Calcutta, on the 1st April, R. B. Kinsey, Esq., F.R.C.S., deputy-inspector-general of hospitals, Dinapore circle, aged 49.

MAINWARING.—March 20th, at sea, on board the *Gosforth*, Captain Mainwaring, 20th N.I.

NEWTON.—At the Mallabar Hill, Katherine Townsend, the wife of Mr. Henry Newton, C.S.

PLOMER.—At Lucknow, March 24, after a protracted illness of several months, Mr. John Theophilus Plomer, aged 52 years, 2 months, and 4 days, sincerely and deservedly regretted by a large circle of friends, and his numerous admirers.

SMITH.—At Bombay, March 24, of cholera, F. Smith, Esq., aged 26.

SIMMONS.—At Bombay, March 26, at the residence of her brother, Mr. E. Wheeler, P. and O. Co.'s Service, the wife of R. W. Simmons, Esq., Assistant Accountant, Department Public Works, aged 15.

THOMAS.—At Dhurumsalla, on the night of the 21st March, Lieutenant-Colonel John Melson Thomas, late 39th Bengal N.I.

WILMOT.—At Ahmedabad, April 7, Surgeon John Henry Wilmot, Staff Surgeon, Ahmedabad.

THE PETITIONS IN THE CASE OF PRINCE AZEEM JAH.—The report of the select committee of the House of Commons on these petitions was issued on Friday last. The committee have satisfied themselves that a concerted system of fraud has been perpetrated in eighteen of them. In some of them as many as one-half of the names appear to have been forged, and about one-third of the whole number fictitious, thus leaving the genuineness of the remainder open to grave suspicion. In the case of the petitions from Westminster, Pimlico, Hackney, and the city of London, it has been proved that one Mitchell was employed by Mr. Strutt, the Prince's parliamentary agent, to procure signatures, for which he was paid at the rate of 1d. per signature, and that he was assisted in the work by two men named Marshall and Whitehead. A great proportion of these signatures are forgeries, among the number being the names of five officials of the Houses of Parliament, and of other persons residing in their immediate vicinity. The committee therefore report that Mitchell, Marshall, and Whitehead have been guilty of breach of privilege. As to Mr. Strutt, it has not been proved that he was personally engaged in any of these frauds, but the committee "strongly reprobate the mode he adopted with Mitchell of remunerating him at 1d. per signature for the signatures procured, as holding out temptation to the frauds which were afterwards committed."

THORNTON'S HISTORY OF INDIA.—A continuation of this standard work is announced by Messrs. W. H. Allen and Co. It is to be entitled "The History of the British Empire in India from 1844 to 1862," Mr. Thornton's history having extended to the former year. The work has been entrusted to Capt. L. J. Trotter, late of the 2nd Bengal Fusiliers, a gentleman of considerable literary culture and local knowledge, and the author of several books favourably known to the public. The stirring events of the period under review afford ample material for an interesting as well as valuable volume, and Captain Trotter will, we have no doubt, do them full justice.

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THE INDIAN ARMY GRIEVANCE IN PARLIAMENT.

CAPTAIN JERVIS has carried his motion in favour of the claims of the Indian officers, and there is a hope that the question, being once more opened, will receive this time a satisfactory settlement. Neither the motion, however, nor the speech by which it was supported, embraced the whole of the grievances alleged; and if no more than the literal prayer of the "humble address" to be presented to her Majesty be taken into consideration, there will still remain a great deal of discontent unrelieved. Captain Jervis confined himself, in his motion, to such grievances as were admitted by the "Royal Commission upon the Memorials of Indian Officers" to be a breach of the Parliamentary guarantee; and an amendment which had been entered on the paper by Colonel Sykes, for the addition of the words "and such other grievances as are in violation of Parliamentary guarantees," was not put to the House, though the Colonel very freely entered upon the additional subject-matter. That there was good reason for the formal forbearance we can quite understand; but the effect may prevent a complete re-consideration of the questions involved.

The result of the deliberations of the Commissioners, which Captain Jervis did not pretend to dispute, was that out of thirteen claims brought before them three were allowed, two were partially admitted, and eight were rejected altogether. With two out of the three admitted, Sir Charles Wood soon after endeavoured to deal, but unfortunately not with success, at least, in the most important case; and it is now evident that not only should the grievances still remaining under this head be remedied, but the partial admissions be taken into account, and, at least, one of the rejections obtain reconsideration.

The first grievance admitted by the Royal Commissioners, fully and unreservedly, was the most important of all. This was in reference to the supersession of regimental

officers by the members of the Staff Corps, the names of the latter officers being retained on the cadres of their old regiments, and their promotions, regulated by time, being more rapid, in many cases, than the promotion of the regimental officers, regulated by seniority. The second admitted grievance related to the retention upon the cadres of their old regiments of the names of those officers who joined the new line regiments formed under the General Order of Amalgamation. The complainants declare that every officer making the change ought to be considered as having created a vacancy in the regiment from which he was removed; and as far as concerns officers changing, not from the old European regiments, but from native cavalry and infantry regiments, the Commissioners allow the claim. The third admitted grievance had reference to the unfavourable condition of promotion, in comparison with Royal officers, of cavalry and infantry colonels in the Indian army—a state of things since taken into consideration, and subjected to a readjustment. The grievances which have been officially described as doubtful, but which we have preferred to call partially admitted—the Commissioners not doubting the principle of the claims, but considering the evils to be of only limited operation—are, in the first instance, in respect to colonel's allowances, or off- reckonings, for the cavalry and infantry. In these arms of the service it has been decided that every lieutenant-colonel shall become a full colonel, and be entitled to colonel's allowances, after holding the rank of lieutenant-colonel for twelve years. Approving the principle of promotion in this case, the Commissioners say that the question depends upon whether twelve years be or be not a fair average of time in reference to the working of the seniority system. The complainants declare the fair average to be ten instead of twelve years; and the Commissioners bring statistics to bear upon the point. It appears from official information that the average in Bengal is 10·2 years, in Madras 11·8, and in Bombay 10·9; so that, as the report declares, "twelve years is just more than a year beyond what has been the average for the three Presidencies, but it is very nearly two years above the average in Bengal, of which the army constituted nearly one-half of the whole army of India. Thus, under this rule, "the period passed in a lieutenant-colonelcy will, on the average of the whole army, be about one-twelfth longer, and on the average of Bengal nearly one-sixth longer than it was before." The new rule, however, the report goes on to say, "is not to affect the lieutenant-colonels who attained that rank before the date of the new system, and so the question whether twelve years is a fair average for the future

for the three Presidencies will be tested by the time at which these lieutenant-colonels will succeed to the allowances in question; and if it should be found that they have obtained them generally in less than twelve years, we consider that unless the shorter average period be adopted the guarantee will not have been strictly adhered to." This is surely an opinion entitled to consideration, instead of being dismissed as doubtful; the ascertained effect of the rule being to deprive every Bengal officer entitled to off- reckonings of about £2,000.

The first grievance on the "doubtful" list relates to the course pursued by the Government to encourage retirement from among the senior officers of the cavalry and infantry. Additional pensions were offered for the purpose, and it was made part of the arrangement that only one-half of the vacancies so created should be filled up. The consequence is that in some regiments promotion has been stopped, and hence the complaints upon this head. Here again the Commissioners do not dispute the principle of the objections made; they are uncertain only as to the extent of the evil. Officers, they say, "not benefited by immediate promotion may seem to derive a certain prospective advantage from the advance towards promotion occasioned by so many retirements in the superior ranks; but it must be remembered that this advantage will in all cases be materially diminished by the diminution in the lieutenant-colonelcies, to which promotion is denied. They advance towards a receding object." They are unable to make any calculation in the matter; but they consider "that where loss can be ascertained to have taken place, there the guarantee has not been adhered to."

The so-called "doubtful" points are thus established as grievances of partial application. One of the rejected claims is of an application almost universal, and the rejection was clearly caused by a misapprehension, on the part of the Commissioners, of the real state of the case. We refer to the "bonus system," or system of subscribing bonuses among the officers of regiments to induce the retirement of superior officers and so hasten promotion. The custom was so general as almost to be compulsory, and hundreds of officers at the present time have subscribed very large sums towards the object, in many cases at the cost of pecuniary liabilities involving serious embarrassment; and they now find themselves deprived of all hope of gaining a *quid pro quo*. The Commissioners rejected consideration of claims on this score on the ground that transactions of the kind are illegal, and have been so held in courts of law. But such dealings were nevertheless allowed by the directors, who discounted them at one time, but afterwards

formally pledged themselves not to interfere, and to give notice of the withdrawal of the privilege. Their connivance was even published in the Indian Gazettes, and was acted upon for twenty years without objection.

These facts could not have been known to the Royal Commission, or its members would scarcely have decided against the claim, which is undoubtedly based upon one of the rights and privileges which Parliament bound itself to maintain.

We trust, upon the grounds stated, that the consideration which the claims of the Indian officers cannot fail to receive from authority, will not be limited to the points admitted by the Commissioners, which, especially if the "doubtful" questions be dismissed, are quite insufficient to meet the case, still less to give that full measure of satisfaction which a gallant body of gentlemen, who have so well served their country, have a right to expect.

CORRESPONDENCE.

GRIEVANCES OF INDIAN OFFICERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "ALLEN'S INDIAN MAIL."

By a majority of forty-nine votes against thirty-six—the whole making up an unusually large house on an Indian question—Captain Jervis has carried his motion for a further redress of the grievances which, in spite of a Royal Commission, and Sir Charles Wood's professions, are still rampant in the Indian army. Of the substantial justice of his case there can hardly be two opinions outside the India Office. Of course the Secretary for India has a good deal to say for himself; dwells on the great expense already entailed on his government by the old services; makes much of his kindness in granting brevets to one class of officers, instead of cancelling preferment already given to another; denies that the petitions sent into Parliament always, or even generally, express the real sentiments of the officers whose names they bear; and ends with an earnest hope that after all he had said the House "would feel that the officers of the Indian army had been generously and liberally treated."

All this, however, is so much dust thrown into the eyes of a well-meaning, but ill-informed and slightly apathetic audience. The defence is utterly beside the mark. It is not a question at all for lawyers, economists, or word-splitting politicians. A certain Act of Parliament pledged the nation to grant the old Indian armies "the like pay, pensions, allowances, and privileges, and the like advantages as regards promotion or otherwise, as if they had continued in the service of the East India Company." It is beside the mark to aver that some or even all Indian officers have had quicker promotion since the amalgamation of the two armies than they ever had before, so long as between officer and officer a gross injustice remains unredressed. It is folly to talk of expense, or haggle about small inaccuracies, when a

nation's honour is at stake. Is it right, is it honest, for one of her Majesty's Ministers to take his stand on the illegality of a system of purchase, which the old East India Company not only winked at, but openly sanctioned withal, many years before the Mutiny? Is it meet for an English gentleman to argue as if a brevet-captaincy could place a regimental officer on exactly the same footing of rank and pay with his junior, a full captain in the Staff Corps? If old Indian officers have to wait twelve years instead of ten from the date of their lieutenant-colonelcies, before drawing their share of that coveted prize, the "off-reckonings," have they indeed been fairly dealt with, in the true spirit of the Henley clause?

Here, at least, are three cases of grievance, the ignoring of which were an unworthy breach of the promise made by Parliament, at Mr. Henley's urging, to the old Indian army. It is mere folly, or worse, to maintain that a regimental brevet captain of twelve years' service has been placed by his brevet, giving army rank only and no pay, on an equal footing with a staff officer of twelve years' service. The mere statement of the fact is its worst condemnation, in the case of an army whose rights of seniority were among the privileges assured to it by Mr. Henley's enactment. So, also, is it the merest shuffling to deny Indian officers all compensation for the retiring-bonuses no longer open to them under the new system. Law and equity, as we all know, are very different things; and it may be that the Court of Directors could not legally sanction a thing in itself illegal. But the fact remains, that they gave their open countenance to the practice, in itself entirely harmless, of quickening promotion by the buying out of officers willing, for a fair inducement, to retire. In spite of narrow technical judgments in the law courts, that practice had long since become an established principle, on the strength of which many an officer has in his time laid out many thousands of rupees in the sure hope of being in his turn enabled to retire at need on some solid addition to his ordinary pay. Since 1858 scores of officers have found themselves doomed either to quit the service without the accustomed bonus, or to serve on at all hazards in order to make good their wasted outlay, and ensure on retirement an income equal to what they would else have gained many years sooner. How many die in the meantime, or come home too late for enjoyment, we need not ask. If this state of things is not against the spirit, ay, and the letter also, of Mr. Henley's proviso, it were hard to say what is.

Into the various mistakes contained in Sir C. Wood's speech on Tuesday evening we have no space to enter. Some of them were thoroughly exposed by Colonel Sykes. But the whole speech was one long mistake. One hardly looks for generous treatment from a Cabinet Minister. Governing bodies, from the highest in the State to a parish vestry or a board of workhouse guardians, are proverbial for the lowness of their moral tone. Men in a body will always do what almost any one of them singly would be ashamed of doing. Still

it is very sad to think how lightly men of undoubted honour can bring themselves to regard a claim enforced by every principle of righteous dealing, by a solemn pledge of the British Parliament, by a noble deference to the feelings of a body of gentlemen who, unlike the regular British army, or the railway or the mercantile interest, have no easy way of forcing from churlish rulers the justice they demand.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
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IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF LORDS.—APRIL 27.

The Earl of SHAFTESBURY presented petitions from Colonel John Liptrap, 45th Regiment Bengal Army; Major John A. Angus, 9th Regiment Bengal Infantry; Brevet-major J. Blair, v.c., 2nd Regiment Bombay Light Cavalry; Brevet-major L. R. De M. Hutchison, 20th Regiment Madras N.I.; and Lieut. F. T. Ripley, 47th Regiment Bengal N.I.; complaining of violation of rights secured to them by Act of Parliament, and humbly praying for redress.

The East India (Governor-general's Powers, &c.), Bill was read a third time and passed.

HOUSE OF LORDS.—APRIL 28.

The Earl of DERBY presented a petition from officers of the Indian army, complaining of the loss of advantages sustained by the amalgamation of the British and Indian armies, and praying for relief.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—APRIL 27.

Petitions were presented by Sir J. HAY, Colonel SYKES, Colonel DUNNE, Colonel EDWARDS, and Mr. LIDDELL, from twenty-eight officers, complaining of a violation of rights secured to them by Act of Parliament, and praying for redress.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—APRIL 28.

Petitions were presented by Colonel SYKES, from Lieutenant-colonel Taylor, 2nd Bombay Light Cavalry; Captain Walter Weldon, 47th Madras N.I.; Captain W. H. L. Fuller, 4th Madras N.I.; Lieutenant H. Gerordot, Royal Bengal Artillery; and Lieut. F. F. Cadogan, 22nd Bengal N.I.; complaining of the violation of rights secured to them by Act of Parliament, and praying for redress. By Mr. MARSH, from Brevet-colonel T. T. Cruslie, Bombay Army; Colonel Baker, Royal Artillery; Captain A. P. Davis, of the late 3rd Bengal European Regiment; and Brevet-major John Bates, 8th Bengal N.I.; to the same effect. By Sir R. CLIFTON, from Major-general R. Hall, Retired List Madras Army; Lieutenant H. W. Stockley, late Bengal Horse Artillery; Lieutenant E. H. Soard, late Bengal Engineers; and Lieutenant A. G. Verrall, 14th Bengal N.I.; to the same effect. By Mr. J. PEEL, from Captain and Brevet-major F. Thomas, 26th Bengal N.I.; Captain W. J. Stevenson, late Bombay Artillery; Captain and Brevet-major R. Waddington, 23rd Bombay N.I.; Second Captain W. W. Woodward, late Bombay Artillery; and Lieut. G. W. Borradaile, late Bombay Horse Artillery, to the same effect.

THE AZIM JAH PETITIONS—FICTITIOUS SIGNATURES.

Mr. C. FORSTER brought up the report of the Select Committee to which the petitions presented to the House in support of the claims of Azim Jah to the Nawabship of the Carnatic had been referred, for the purpose of investigating the authenticity of the signatures appended to them. The Committee reported to the effect that they had examined the petitions, in nineteen of which, by the aid of an expert, fictitious signatures had been discovered. In that from the City of London

there were 378 forgeries. In some of the petitions one-half the names had been forged; and in others about one-third of the whole number of signatures were fictitious, thus leaving the remainder open to great suspicion as to their genuineness. In the case of the petitions from Westminster, Pimlico, and the City of London, a great proportion of the signatures were discovered to be forgeries. In Pimlico, a person named George Morris Mitchell had obtained a large number of signatures by paying a penny each for them—(a laugh)—and one of the experts was of opinion that 130 of the said signatures had been written by George Morris Mitchell himself. The Committee resolved, after mature consideration and careful inspection of the signatures, that George Morris Mitchell had committed a breach of the privileges of the House. The hon. gentleman continued:—“This day week I will call the attention of the House to the report. I anticipate that the evidence will be in the hands of members before that day.”

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MAY 1.

CHINA.

Colonel SYKES asked the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether further papers respecting proceedings in China would be laid upon the table of the House; whether the consul at Amoy had reported his visit to the Taeping Chief at Chang-chow, and with what results; and whether information had reached the Foreign-office of the reported revolt of the Imperialist troops in the cities of Hang-chow and Chang-chow, with the rumoured connivance of Tsing-kwo-fan, the anti-foreign Minister of State?

Mr. LAYARD replied that there were no papers of sufficient importance to lay on the table; yet they were aware of the intention of the consul at Amoy to pay a visit to the Taeping chief, but his report on the subject had not yet been received; and no information had been received at the Foreign-office respecting the reported revolt of the Imperialist troops.

THE 64TH FOOT.

General BUCKLEY asked the Secretary of State for India why the detachment of the 64th foot, consisting of five or six officers and 200 men (who, being part of the Lucknow garrison, was shut up in the Alum Baugh from October to November, 1857, when they were relieved by Sir Colin Campbell), had been deprived of the second donation batta, which had been received by the rest of the regiment which was in Lucknow; this detachment had been allowed the year's pay, and the second donation batta was first allowed, but had since been refused?

Sir C. WOOD said that the services performed by the two portions of the regiment were totally and altogether different. One portion was shut up in Lucknow and exposed to all the hardships and dangers which occurred, whilst the other never was in Lucknow at all, but in Alum Baugh, at some distance. The first donation batta was given to the division under the misapprehension that it was in Lucknow, and the Government of India had expressed the strongest opinions that it would not receive any donation batta at all.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MAY 3.

INDIAN OFFICERS.

Captain JERVIS rose to call attention to the petition presented to that House by the officers of the late Indian armies, and moved that a humble address be presented to her Majesty, praying she will be graciously pleased to redress all such grievances complained of by them as were admitted by the “Commission on the Memorials of Indian Officers,” to have arisen by a departure from the assurances given by Parliament by the 21st and 27th Vic., c. 106, and the 23rd and 24th Vic. c. 100.

Last year, in consequence of the discussions which had taken place in that House, the right hon. gentleman, the Secretary for India, stated that it was his intention to carry out the report of the Royal Commissioners appointed to inquire into the various grievances which had been brought under his notice by the officers of the Indian army. After that pledge it was a most serious matter to find twenty-three general officers, 240 field officers, and 500 officers of lower rank, not one of whom had served less than seven years, petitioning the House that the report might be carried into effect in accordance with the pledge which the right hon. gentleman had given. When Lord Derby's Government considered it necessary to put an end to the East India Company they appointed a commission to inquire into the rights to which the service were entitled. The members of that commission, the then Secretary-at-War (General Peel), the noble lord the Secretary for India (Lord Stanley), and a large number of men who were looked up to, in their report, which was as clear and distinct as any report could be, stated that no change could be made which could disturb the system of promotion by seniority, or which would in any way interfere with the rights and privileges of the officers—(hear, hear). That having been the report of the commissioners, it was adopted by the House and became the law of the country, and when the present Government succeeded to office and the right hon. baronet became Secretary for India, he introduced a Bill on this subject, and adopted a clause proposed by the hon. member for Oxfordshire, although at the time he stated that he considered it a very unnecessary clause. That statement was made on the 30th July, 1860. Now, on that very day he had signed papers to be submitted to the military committee appointed by himself, to carry out the very opposite of that which he had pledged himself to do—(hear). The committee reported that the Secretary of State was bound to carry out what had been promised by Parliament; but in spite of his own committee reporting against him, within a few months he sent a despatch to India to carry out a system which he considered correct, but which the committee considered contrary to the guarantee. According to the pledges given by Parliament, the officers had a right to rise by seniority until they became field officers. But what did the right hon. gentleman do? He entirely broke up their regimental staffs, and substituted a Staff Corps, the most extraordinary production that was ever conceived. His warrant authorised the filling up of different vacancies which arose on the staff, whether civil or military. But what did he next do? He issued an order contrary to the advice of every great man who had been in that country. He created a Staff Corps, leaving six men to command a regiment. Having done that, he issued an edict by which the regular regiments were to be turned into irregular regiments; and then he framed a staff of corps officers to command these irregulars, displacing the whole of the local officers. The staff officers under this rule were about 1,300, and the number of local officers, who were in a state of disgust, numbered about 2,000. So many petitions were presented, that a reconsideration of the question was thought desirable, and he moved for the appointment of a committee. The right hon. baronet met that by the proposal of a Royal Commission. According to the statement of the right hon. baronet he was anxious to get through the matter rapidly for all parties, and the chairman of the Commission addressed a letter to him, asking if he could procure a statement of grievances to lay before the Commission, instead of examining witnesses. That was not easy to be done, seeing that half the Indian officers were on sick leave or on furlough, but he did succeed in getting a committee, and with their assistance submitted to the Commis-

sion a clear and distinct statement of what they considered their grievances, and in order to facilitate the decision of the commission classified all the petitions presented to this House. The right hon. baronet said that out of the thirteen grievances reported by the Commissioners eight were against, two doubtful, and three for. He accepted this broad fact, but the right hon. baronet took care not to point out that the one great and real grievance was confirmed by the Commission—(hear, hear). The right hon. baronet then came down to the House, and said that the difficulties which arose out of the Indian army were ten times more troublesome than the whole of India put together. But what originated the difficulty—(cheers)? If they considered who these men were and what they had done, that not one who was there twenty years but contracted some disease from the climate or the duty; that these were the men who stood by their colours in the mutiny, and were shot down like dogs; who were the husbands, brothers, and cousins of the women slaughtered at Cawnpore and Delhi—(cheers); they were not a class of men to receive such treatment at the hands of the right honourable baronet—(cheers). What was the reason of the amalgamation of the two services? The Indian army was a body of mercenaries totally different in its character from any other army in the civilised world. They did not ask for amalgamation; but they were considered worthy by reason of their great deeds and their heroic bravery during the last century, and the right honourable baronet had no right to treat brave and honourable men as he had done. But the right honourable baronet having accepted the report, what did he do as the result? He established a staff corps, which after 12 years' service gave captain's rank and substantive pay; after 20 years', those of major; and after 24 or 26 the substantive pay and rank of lieutenant-colonel. The right hon. baronet by that means created a super-session and broke up the mess system from one end of India to the other—that brotherly and paternal mess system by which men stuck to men, and regiment sympathised with regiment, which was a great organisation. The right hon. baronet was then in a great dilemma, and he met it by sending out to India an order giving the officers brevet rank and no pay—(hear, hear). In this country when a man received brevet rank he gained a certain position and consideration amongst his comrades, and was a man of mark; but brevet rank in India, when it was given by wholesale, meant only so much gold on the officer's collar and sleeves, which he had to pay for, and there an end—(cheers). After that he sent a most extraordinary despatch replying to the report of the commissioners. The officers were not secretaries of state and could not reply to it, and it was therefore a one-sided document. With respect to the bonus question, the Royal commissioners came to a conclusion which they never would have done had they had the whole facts before them. The right hon. baronet stated that a system had arisen in the Indian army of purchasing out seniors, which was illegal, and not sanctioned by the Court of Directors. That was totally contrary to the fact; for not only was it encouraged by the Court of Directors, at the request of Parliament, but was sanctioned by the Board of Control, in order to enable younger officers to rise to higher command in the service. The decision of the right hon. baronet was in direct opposition to the opinion of his own council, and of Sir W. Maunsfield, whose advice was to do away with the Parliamentary guarantee and reorganise the whole service. The right hon. baronet had taken great credit not only in this House, but in his despatches to India, for what he had done to keep these officers in full employment and full pay; but the real fact was that there was no such thing as half-pay in the Indian army—

(hear). There was nothing more serious than to do away with the trust placed in Government by the officers of the army; and if they found that Acts solemnly passed by both Houses of Parliament were thrown aside and disregarded, would not the soldiers of the British army, seeing others so grossly treated, turn round and say, "What are you going to do with us?"—(cheers). He would leave the matter in the hands of the House, trusting it would look to its own honour and the guarantees it had given to Indian officers—(cries of "hear, hear").

Sir C. WOOD rose at the earliest possible moment, as he was anxious not only to reply to the motion and remarks of the hon. and gallant gentleman, but to state the general course pursued by Government on the various questions connected with the Indian army. It was quite a mistake to suppose there was only one question to deal with; there were two others besides that mentioned by the hon. member, viz., the alteration in the organisation of the Indian army, and the question of the extensive reduction in the number of that army. He entirely concurred in the eulogium passed upon the officers of the Indian army, and he admitted that if he had acted towards men entitled to so much consideration as the hon. member had said he should consider himself most guilty in the eyes of the House—(cheers). He did not, however, hesitate to say that the result, taken as a whole, of the measures which the Government had proposed and carried out in consequence of the report of the commissioners, had placed the officers of the Indian army in a far better position, both as regards pay and promotion than they ever were at previous periods of their service—(cheers). The hon. member had said a good deal as to the number of petitions which had been presented; and he freely admitted that if he thought that those petitions were the real expression of the opinion of the officers whose names were appended to them he should attach far more weight to them than he did. But the grievances they expressed had been ignored and repudiated by some of the officers whose names they bore—(cries of "Name, name"). He would not shrink from doing so. One officer came to his department and said that his position was improved by what had taken place, and strange to say, on looking over the petitions he found a petition signed by this very officer—(cries of "Name, name"). He would not name.

Captain JERVIS: I rise to order. I beg to say that I shall move for a committee of inquiry into the signatures of those petitions—(cheers).

Sir C. WOOD: At all events, he had received a letter by the last mail from an officer whose name he would give—it was from Colonel Cherry, of the Madras army. This was what he said:—"I have to inform you that a pamphlet, headed 'Another Grievance,' in which my name is used in an unwarrantable manner, was composed and published without my knowledge or consent. I have no grievance, and have never petitioned, and I am much annoyed that my name should be so used." He had another letter, from Colonel Kelso, who had petitioned. In 1861 this gentleman was captain, and in consequence of the accelerated promotion which the Government measures had introduced he became lieutenant-colonel six months after, entirely passing over the rank of major. The Madras newspapers stated that Lieut.-colonel Kelso benefited somehow by the interest the officers of three regiments had in his retirement; and he did retire in the course of this year, and then petitioned the House, stating that he was very badly used, because the names of certain other officers who had retired under a special bonus had not been removed from the list. Headed that if that had been done he would by this time have obtained his colonel's allowance. Now, the ordinary time for an officer in the Madras army to attain the rank

of major was seven years, and the ordinary time for his attaining the rank of lieutenant-colonel was twelve years, but Lieutenant-colonel Kelso now complained to Parliament that he had been subjected to a great grievance because that had not been done which would have enabled him to obtain his colonel's allowance in less than four years from the date of his captaincy. A statement had lately been sent round to members of Parliament mentioning three cases as specimens of the grievances of those Indian officers. In the first of those cases the complaint was that a captain of the Bengal Staff Corps had, contrary to the practice of the Indian service, superseded a major. But if such a case had occurred it would not have been contrary to the universal practice of the East India Company. The major in question had been in command of an irregular regiment, and the East India Company had been in the habit of disregarding that rank. But the present India Office had ordered that no officer should serve under a junior except with his own consent, and if Major Larkin was serving under a captain he must have been doing so through his own choice. The next case was that of Major Spottiswoode, who was superseded by a Lieutenant Brown. In that case the lieutenant's service on the Staff Corps gave him the rank of major; and besides he could not be in command over Major Spottiswoode, because Lieutenant Brown was filling a civil appointment. The third case he (Sir C. Wood) did not perfectly understand, but he apprehended that the order respecting the service of a senior in rank under a junior provided a remedy for the complaint that had been made. There could, therefore, be no foundation for the charges that had been advanced in respect of the three cases to which he had referred. He was not then going to enter into the question of the bonus, because the commission had distinctly reported that upon that point there was no breach of the guarantee. The commissioners classified the alleged breaches of the guarantee under thirteen heads. They reported that under eight of those heads there was no cause of complaint, that in three of them there was cause of complaint, and that in the remaining two some cause of complaint might perhaps arise under certain circumstances. Now in the three cases of alleged just complaint, he had complied with the recommendations of the commissioners, and every possibility of a grievance had been removed. Of the two remaining cases, he had to state that in one of them no grievance could up to the present time have arisen, and in the other ample compensation had been provided for any injury that any parties could sustain. The fact was that the additional advantage which the Indian officers derived in the shape of pay and promotion during the last four years was perfectly unexampled. The first question to which he would specially refer was what was called the amalgamation of the East India Company's army with the army of her Majesty. The measure had been carried into effect without affording the slightest subject of complaint, and the contrary impression which he was aware prevailed among the public was a complete mistake. The other two changes were a reorganisation of the army and a large reduction of its numbers. It was obvious that both these measures were entirely within the competence of the East India Company, and, consequently, of the Crown, which had succeeded to the powers of the company. They had substituted what was called the irregular formation in the armies of Bengal and of Bombay, and it was intended to apply the same system to Madras. Lord Elphinstone had given it as his opinion that one native cavalry regiment under the former system cost three times as much as one irregular regiment, and that the saving by substituting the irregular for the regular force was about £340,000.

The formation of the Staff Corps was a matter of absolute necessity. Next came the question of promotion. In the report of the commission to which the hon. and gallant gentleman had referred, it was recommended that the promotion to the staff corps should be governed by length of service. That was what the government did. The Government had offered to all officers of the Indian army the option of going into the Staff Corps, and the same thing was done with regard to the officers of the line. They had gone one step farther, and had thought it right to give these officers the same benefit of promotion as if the Staff Corps had been formed at the time they entered the service. In justification of the course adopted he might state that there were examples enough of the same thing having been done by the East India Company. The hon. and gallant member behind him (Colonel Sykes) had spoken of the legal and indisputable rights of the officers; but he forgot that on several occasions the Indian Government would not admit their rights. The Indian army, officered by English officers, including contingents, before the mutiny was 265,000. In order to remove the sources of danger in that army it was incumbent upon the Government to reduce it; and, therefore, it was diminished by 130,000 men, or 101 regiments. When they reduced a great number of regiments they reduced also a great number of colonels; but in this case, from the increase and extent of the Indian mutiny, there was no reduction of colonels, although there was of allowances, except in the case of the St. Helena force, where the officers were pensioned off with something rather more than the pensions of their respective ranks. A further measure they provided was an extraordinary number of retirements. They offered 300 people a boon in order to induce them to retire, and the immediate effect of that was very great promotion. The number of officers promoted at once was 49 lieutenant-colonel, 87 majors, 123 captains, and 190 lieutenants. He thought they had in all respects shown great, generous, and liberal consideration for the case of the Indian officers. The whole increase of pay given at once in promotions, pensions, and other emoluments, was rather more than a quarter of a million sterling. That of course would be diminished as the pensions fell off. Now, with regard to promotion, he must say that it was not fair to take what occurred in any particular rank, they must take the whole process. During the last four years, ending 1865, there had been promoted to the rank of lieutenant-colonel 223 officers; in the four years ending 1857 there were only 84 officers promoted; upon the same comparison to the rank of major, 534, against 143; to the rank of captain, 668 as against 585, of whom 176 were due to the augmentation of the army. He had conclusively shown that in point of pay, pension, retirement, and promotion, they had acted most liberally and generously towards the officers of the Indian army, and he earnestly hoped that these continuous attacks upon the administration, so calculated to produce mischief, would now come to an end—(hear).

Colonel SYKES, who had an amendment on the paper to add to the motion the words "and such other grievances as are in violation of Parliamentary guarantees," said that the right hon. gentleman who had just sat down had forgotten to state the contrast presented between the chances of promotion for an officer now and formerly. At present, an officer who might under the old system have attained the command of a regiment, only had such command on paper, and what had been a regiment was now converted into an irregular corps, without home or domicile. It was clear that in this change was involved a breach of a Parliamentary guarantee, and that it was the duty of the House to see that it was repaired. The right hon. gentleman said that everything had been done with the

consent of high authorities, and in concert with his council. The question of the organisation of the establishment of the staff board had been referred by the right hon. gentleman to his administrative committee of the Council of India. The committee was composed of the present Viceroy of India, of Sir John Willoughby, Sir R. Vivian, Colonel Durand, and Captain Eastwick, all gentlemen of great Indian experience. What did the committee report? Why that, except at exorbitant cost to the State, they had failed to discover any practicable suggestion by which the inherent difficulties of amalgamation were attempted to be met. Sir James Outram also expressed his opinion that amalgamation would be most injurious, and that the servants of the East India Company would suffer great injustice from it. The interests of India and of the empire at large demanded that the army should be a localised army and not an amalgamated one. The report of the military committee of the Indian Council was in such complete opposition to the views of the Secretary of State for India, that he resolved not to lay it before the Council. In 1860 the Council stated that on any grave question it was competent for the minister to set on one side the Council, and consult them or not at his pleasure. It was obvious that one of the objects of the legislature was frustrated, and that the Council would utterly fail in the performance of those duties which had been entrusted to them by Parliament. And the Council added that the course adopted by the Secretary of State in refusing to bring the report of the military committee before the Council was contrary to the Act of Parliament. This report was signed by Sir John Lawrence, and by thirteen other members now in the Council of India, one signature alone being wanting. The hon. and gallant member then proceeded to refer to the recommendations of Lord Hotham's committee, and complained that some of them had not been carried into effect. He contended particularly that the bonus was not illegal, as it had been represented to be. While the grievances enumerated remained agitation and discontent would prevail in the public service, and the discontent would be still greater in the country.

Mr. SMOLLETT said that, in his judgment, amalgamation had been carried out with great profusion and cost, but without producing satisfaction. A great error had been committed of founding an exorbitant and unnecessary staff corps. But the greatest mischief of all was in this House passing the Amalgamation Act in 1860. At the time of the amalgamation there were 5,300 of these officers, of whom only 1,340 had been merged into the Queen's army. There remained 1,400 officers, and the way the Government dealt with them was the subject of the complaints now made. They established the staff corps, which had already been so fully described, and by this means an unprecedented legion of staff officers, no less than 1,400 in number, was created. Many of them had never done regimental duty at all, and yet by this new system they were made to supersede their seniors. The Secretary of State might have remedied this state of things by simply cancelling the order; but he refused to do this, and the only other course which seemed open to him to take was to give the superseded officers the same rank, *pari passu*, with the officers unduly promoted. No doubt that would add another heavy charge upon the revenue of India, and to that complexion he believed they would have to come at last—(cheers). All this was the result of some blunder, either at the India Office or the Horse Guards, or perhaps at both—(hear).

The House then divided—

For the motion ...	...	49
Against it ...	...	36
Majority ...	...	—13

The result of the division was received with cheers.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MAY 5.

SINGAPORE, MALACCA, AND PENANG.

Lord STANLEY asked the Secretary of State for India whether it was his intention to bring in a Bill, during the present Session, for the transfer of Singapore, Malacca, and Penang from the Indian to the Colonial Administration?

Sir C. WOOD was understood to say he could not give a positive answer to the question of the noble lord. So far as the Indian Government were concerned, they had been quite ready to meet the wishes of the people of Singapore; but the Colonial-office had thought it requisite to institute certain inquiries, to satisfy themselves that no burden would be imposed upon the estimates of this country, and the final determination of the department had not as yet been conveyed to him.

THE INDIAN BUDGET.

In reply to Mr. A. MILLS, Sir C. WOOD said that, as he had not as yet received all the accounts from India, he was not in a position to fix the day for making his Indian financial statement.

FRACAS AT ALDERSHOT.—ASSAULT BY MAJOR WOOD ON MAJOR STEEL.

On Friday, at the Sheriff's Court, Red Lion-square, before Mr. Undersheriff Burchell and a special jury, a case in the Common Pleas, "*Steel v. Wood*," created considerable interest. It was an action for an assault committed at Aldershot by Major Henry Evelyn Wood, son of Sir John Wood, on Major Charles Steel, son of the late Lieutenant-General Sir Scudamore Steel. The damages were laid at £500, and as the defendant had suffered judgment to go by default, a writ of inquiry was executed to assess the amount to be awarded.

Mr. Serjeant Ballantine, in opening the case, regretted the necessity he felt in bringing it before the public. A public outrage had been committed on his client, and as Major Wood, who besides being the son of Sir John Wood was nephew of Vice-Chancellor Wood, had refused to make an apology (and even now he would accept one with nominal damages), and as he had been refused a court-martial, he was for the sake of his character obliged to bring the case into Court. Major Steel had, in 1858, married the sister of the defendant, and she soon afterwards left her husband's house. There was no moral imputation on Major Steel, but she had absented herself, and he had been most anxious for her return. In December, 1863, at the time of the court-martial on Colonel Crawley at Aldershot, the plaintiff met his wife there and a young gentleman with her. He asked the name of the young gentleman, and he appeared to be Major Wood. The plaintiff went up and asked his wife to speak to him, holding out his hand. She refused, and the defendant prevented her. He followed towards the cabstand, wishing to ascertain the residence of his wife, and the defendant struck him two or three blows in his face and his nose bled. For this outrage on a brother officer in public an apology had been demanded, and several times refused. Major Steel, who had been in the Lancers and Hussars, had been refused a court-martial because he was on half-pay, and had been obliged to come into court to establish his character before the public. It was explained that the action had not been tried sooner from the illness of the plaintiff and the recent death of his father, after which event notice had been given by his attorney, Mr. Henry Berry. The learned serjeant stated that the plaintiff had served in India, and that the defendant was a distinguished officer might be inferred from the fact that he had obtained the Victoria Cross.

On the part of the defendant it was contended that the blow had been well earned by

the plaintiff, who had tried to recapture his wife, adopting the custom among some wild Indians. It was simply a case for the smallest damages.

The jury retired for an hour, and then awarded £400 in damages.

THE DIRECT TELEGRAPH TO INDIA.

The Indo-European Telegraph having made urgent and repeated efforts to effect a daily communication with Bombay, has up to the present moment fallen so far short of the object that an average week instead of a day has been the time consumed, as will be seen by the subjoined dates:—

The first telegram from India, dated from Kurrachee Feb. 28, was received in London March 1, or 8½ hours only in transmission.

A telegram from Bombay, dated March 3, was received in London March 9.

A telegram from Calcutta, dated March 29, was received in London April 4.

A telegram from Bombay, dated March 31, was received in London April 5.

Ditto from Bombay, April 1, ditto April 6.

Ditto from Bombay, April 4, ditto April 7.

Ditto from Bombay, April 6, ditto April 10.

Ditto from Bombay, April 7, ditto April 17.

Ditto from Bombay, April 15, ditto April 22.

Ditto from Bombay, April 22, ditto April 26.

Ditto from Bombay, April 29, ditto May 6.

The first through message from Baghdad was in French, from Namik Pasha, the Governor, to Sir Bartle Frere at Bombay, and it appears to have been delayed in transit by some interruption along the Mekran Coast. In his message to the Bombay Government, announcing the completion of the line, Col. Kemball apprehends that these interruptions may be frequent. Sir C. Wood's message to the Viceroy, congratulating his Excellency on the completion of the electric chain, was despatched from London at 4.15 P.M. on the 1st of March, and reached Calcutta at 2.15 P.M. on the 4th of March (or less than three days), since then mercantile messages have been received in about four days.

COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.—MAY 3.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE IN COUNCIL OF INDIA (APPELLANT) V. THE CHURCHWARDENS AND OVERSEERS OF ST. MARY, LAMBETH (RESPONDENTS).

This was a special case, stated for the opinion of the Court by order of Mr. Justice Shee.

Mr. Denman, Q.C., appeared for respondents; Mr. Forryth, Q.C., and Mr. Maule, for the appellant.

It appeared that a rate had been made by the respondents upon the parish of which they were churchwardens and overseers. The appellant was thereupon rated to the amount of £115 as owner and occupier of the military stores of the East India Government, in the Belgrave-road. The appellant disputed his liability, and refused to pay the rate, upon which he was summoned at the Middlesex Quarter Sessions, and the present case was then stated for the opinion of the Court.

Mr. Denman was heard on behalf of the respondents, and contended that the appellant's objection was not a good one—namely, that he was a servant of the Crown, to whom the stores belonged, and that therefore he was not liable, the Crown being exempt from paying the rate.

The Court, without calling upon the other side, gave judgment for the appellant.

COURT OF DIVORCE.—MAY 3.

(Before Sir J. P. WILDE.)

BICK V. BICK.

In this case the husband petitioned for a dissolution of marriage on the ground of his wife's adultery.

Dr. Spinks was for the petitioner, there was no appearance on behalf of the respondent.

The petitioner, a merchant of Calcutta, was married to the respondent at that place in May, 1855. They visited this country in 1858, and remained here until 1859, during which time a child was born. After their return to India the respondent complained that the climate was injuring the health of herself and the child, in consequence of which she returned to England with her child in 1861, and lived in London, Liverpool, Gloucester, and other places, and the husband supplied her with ample funds for her support. In 1863 the petitioner returned to England, when he discovered that his wife had been unfaithful to him, being then pregnant, but he was unable to discover who was the father of the child. He accordingly filed the present petition.

The case having been proved,
His Lordship pronounced a decree nisi.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BILLS ON INDIA.—The biddings for £300,000 in bills on India took place on the 3rd inst., at the Bank of England. The proportions allotted were—To Calcutta, £32,500; and to Madras, £12,000. The minimum price was, as before, on Calcutta and Madras, 1s. 11d.; and on Bombay, 1s. 11½d. Tenders on Calcutta and Madras will receive in full. On Bombay all the tenders were below the minimum.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, May 4. —The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamship *Nyanza*, Captain Gaby, sailed hence to-day with the mails for Gibraltar, the Mediterranean, Egypt, Aden, Ceylon, India (except Bombay), and China. She took out fifty-two first and twenty-four second-class passengers, and on freight a general cargo, and ninety-two boxes of specie, value £22,483. Amongst the passengers are Captains Hendee, O'Neill, and Papillon, Ensign Ruston, Staff Surgeon Blatherwick, Major Moxon, Lieutenants Hall and St. John Barnett.

INDIAN POULTRY AT THE ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS.—The newly imported species of Indian poultry now on view in the gardens of the Zoological Society have been brought home by Captain H. Fraser from Central India. It is intended that they shall be naturalised in Scotland, crossing them with Dorkings. The collection consists of cocks, hens, and pullets, seventeen in number, soon to be added to. It had hitherto been found extremely difficult to import them in anything like the required condition.

THE CHINESE MUSEUM, CRYSTAL PALACE.—A French museum of Chinese jewellery and articles of *vertu* has been added to the attractions of the Crystal Palace lately. It is a selection, made by a French officer, from the spoils of the sack of Peking. An extra charge of a shilling is made to view this unique museum.

MILITARY ITEMS.—At his annual official inspection of the troops stationed at Portsmouth on the 29th ult., F.M. the Duke of Cambridge took an opportunity to pay a compliment to a veteran Indian corps—the 52nd Foot—which regiment, his Excellency observed, "had but just returned from India, but he was very much pleased with their appearance."

SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL.—From the report, read by the secretary at the annual meeting, held at St. James's hall on Thursday, the 27th ult., it appears that an expenditure was made by the society during the year, for the support of clergymen, missionaries, and schools in India and the East, of £40,000.

The death of an old Indian officer, Colonel Verner, is announced in the obituaries. In early life Colonel James Edward Verner entered the service of the East India Company, and went through a distinguished military career of thirty-two years.

THE OFFICES of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company and the East India Irrigation and Canal Company have been removed to 8 and 9, Queen-street-place, Southwark-bridge.

SECOND BANKRUPTCY OF COLONEL WILLIAM PETRIE WAUGH.—Colonel Waugh, the well-known director of the London and Eastern Banking Corporation, who recently obtained his certificate, and whose case so frequently came before the Bankruptcy Court, has been again adjudicated bankrupt upon his own petition. Colonel Waugh now describes himself as of No. 17, Gloucester-crescent, Camden-town, agent, a prisoner for debt in Whitecross-street prison. The failure in this instance is attributed to heavy domestic expenses during the fourteen months of Colonel Waugh's incarceration and expenses connected with his bankruptcy. The debts amount to the comparatively moderate sum of £2,400, and it is believed that a portion are not provable.

ASIATIC CORPORATION.—The first ordinary general meeting of the members of the Asiatic Corporation was held May 4th at the bank offices; Mr. F. Boykett in the chair. The report stated that for the half-year for which the accounts were rendered, during which only a portion of the existing branches had been working, the net profit, after deducting all charges on current business, and providing for bad and doubtful debts, was £70,439. 4s. 8d. The following division was recommended:—A dividend at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum, £37,500; a bonus of 10s. per share, equal to 5 per cent. per annum, £12,500, being together equal to 20 per cent. on the paid-up capital on the 31st of December; in liquidation of the whole of preliminary expenses, £8,484; reserve fund, £5,500; and £6,454 to be carried to the credit of the profit and loss account for the current year. The chairman said their profits, deposits, &c., were unparalleled. The report was unanimously adopted. The directors were authorised to make an *ad interim* dividend, and the retiring directors and auditors were re-elected.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.—The directors, in their seventh annual report, just issued, present to the shareholders the audited balance-sheet and profit and loss account of the bank for the year ended 31st of December last. After providing for all bad and doubtful debts, and defraying expense of management at all points, the net profit amounts to £126,082. 1s. 1d., to which has to be added a sum of £75,831. 11s. 2d., undivided profit brought forward from the preceding year, making a total of £201,913. 12s. 3d. The Newera Ellia and Tuticorin agencies have been closed, the results not answering expectations, and for a similar reason the Mauritius branch will be closed at the end of the current year.

TEA COMPANY OF CACHAR.—The second meeting of shareholders in the Indian Tea Company of Cachar was held on the 4th inst., under the presidency of Major Thomas Ross. The report stated that, whilst the amount of expenditure was clearly ascertainable, such was not the case as regarded their profits, which at the present moment could not be correctly stated. Assuming, however, that 250 chests of tea, shipped, but not arrived, would fetch prices proportionate to the 452 chests already sold, there would be an available balance of £1,614. 0s. 3d., which, with the £2,405. 18s. 4d. divided in November last would give a total profit for the year of £4,019. 18s. 7d., or fully 6 per cent. upon the paid-up capital. But the vendors of the estate having guaranteed 8 per cent. for the first two years the directors proposed to declare that dividend—any deficiency after the sale of the teas to be deducted from the purchase money. Mr. Smith, a director, gave a description of a visit he had paid to the property and the condition of the estates, which he described as satisfactory. The report was adopted.

THE EAST INDIA FINANCIAL ASSOCIATION (LIMITED).—The first ordinary general meeting of shareholders in the East India Financial Association (Limited) was held on the 29th ult., at the London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street; Mr. Lewis Balfour in the chair. The report stated that the operations of the company in India extended over a period of eight months only at Bombay, and only seven months at Calcutta, so that the company was not able to do more than meet all charges up to the middle of November last, since which date the whole of the profits had been made. The accounts submitted showed a net profit of £9,716. 1s. 3d., out of which the directors recommend an interim dividend of 7s. per share, free of income-tax, the payment of which would absorb £7,000, leaving a balance of £2,716. 1s. 3d. to be carried forward. The report was adopted unanimously.

THE INDIAN MISSIONS.—With regard to Indian Missions, it is confessed in the last report of the Church Missionary Society that "calculations, geographical and otherwise, which have been entered into to show that reckoning by human probabilities the work of Evangelising India by European agency must be utterly hopeless." This society has withdrawn from a number of missionary stations established in India.

DESCRIPTION OF CALCUTTA.—A *Saturday Review* article on "Calcutta" describes "the heap of showy houses and mud-huts which is called the City of Palaces," in no complimentary terms. The article takes the sanitary point of view; it makes known that "the very best of the English streets reek with poisonous gases in the hot weather." The contribution has the hall-mark of a writer personally acquainted with the place described.

THE NATIVE MIND IN INDIA.—The Hon. Arthur and Mrs. Kinnaird assembled a numerous party of the friends of Indian missions, at their residence, 2, Pall-mall East, on Tuesday evening, the 2nd inst., at which several native gentlemen were present, who addressed the meeting. They were introduced by Mr. Kinnaird, who alluded to the operations of a very useful committee which has been established in London for collecting information bearing on the social, moral, and material welfare of the people of India. The Rev. J. Ling (of the Nil Durpan case) followed, and set forth the wide openings for "unpaid female agency in India." He ably urged the importance of this department of missionary work. Mr. Thomas, formerly of Madras, gave encouraging details as to the progress of the native mind in South India. Dr. Davis made a forcible reply to some observations from Mr. Manomahar Ghore, a Hindoo student, in disparagement of Christian effort in India.

APPOINTMENTS—Foreign-office, March 31.—The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Sir Edmund Hornby, Knight, late Judge of the Supreme Consular Court at Constantinople, to be Judge of the Supreme Court for China and Japan. The Queen has also appointed Charles Wycliffe Goodwin, Esq., to be Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court for China and Japan, and John Fraser, Esq., to be Law Secretary and Registrar of the Supreme Court for China and Japan.

MAITLAND v. THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA.—An injunction has been obtained in the Vice-Chancellor's Court to restrain the circulation of certain bills of exchange now in the possession of the agent of the Bank in Hong Kong, which had been substituted for certain ship's papers which formed the security to the Bank for some heavy advances made by them to a member of the firm of Fletcher and Co.

THE CLERKS in the employment of the P. and O. Company have petitioned Parliament that the British Museum may be opened three evenings in the week.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 27. Botanist, Calcutta.—May 1. Windsor Castle, Calcutta; St. Lawrence, Calcutta.—2. Wynaud, Colombo; William Prowse, Bombay; Regina, Mauritius; Lady Love, Madras.—3. Royal Victoria, Calcutta; Clarence, Calcutta; Lady Palmerston, Calcutta; Thorndown, Calcutta; Knight Errant, Bombay; Midlesex, Calcutta.—4. Lydia Williams, Bombay; Agamemnon, Bombay; Scoresby, Colombo; Frances, Colombo; Eliza Leing, Colombo; Olive, Madras; Tiger, Bombay; Mersey, Bombay; Ivanhoe, Madras; Siam, Calcutta.—7. Star of India, East Indies; Guy Maunier, Calcutta; Demetrio Fano, Singapore; Martaban, Calcutta; Avery, Mauritius.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Windsor Castle, from Bombay.—Capt. Graham, Lieut. Welsh, Kemp, and Withler, Dr. Ekin, and 310 men, women, and children belonging to various regiments in India.
Per Middlesex, from Calcutta.—Maj. Kemp, Capt. Gurney, Lieut. Evans, Lieut. Catton, Asst. surg. Guthrie, M.D., Rifle Brigade, in medical charge of troops. Mrs. Col. Taylor died on the passage home.

DEPARTURES.

April 27. Reserve, Calcutta; Revenue, Calcutta.—28. Rifle, Singapore; Marchioness of Londonderry, Calcutta.—May 1. Radama, Bangkok.—3. Blencathra, Mauritius.—4. Premier, Madras.—5. Dunpail Castle, Madras; Sarah Newman, Bombay.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Overland Route, per str. Nyanza, from Southampton, May 4.—To Calcutta.—Mr. J. G. Medlicott, Mr. Beale, Maj. Maxon, Mr. Heath, Miss Moxon, Miss C. Chamberlain, Lieut. J. G. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hartley and two infants, Lieut. St. John Barnett, Mr. G. W. Hoyle, Mr. W. A. Dixon, Capt. O'Neill, Mr. and Mrs. McAllan. To Madras.—Mr. H. Handyside. To ALEXANDRIA.—Mrs. Kellock.
Per str. Ripon, from Marseilles, May 12.—To Calcutta.—Lieut. R. H. Dyas. To Madras.—Mr. and Mrs. McLuttre. To ALEXANDRIA.—Capt. Hardee.

CASUALTY.

The Fanny, of Hanover, from Cardiff to Manila, was burnt previous to April 4, her cables having ignited; crew saved.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

CAPELLE.—The wife of J. F. Capelle, Esq., of Rangoon, of a daughter, at Heidelberg, April 22.
PALMER.—The wife of Major J. G. Palmer, Madras Staff Corps, of a daughter, at Middle-hill, Box, Wilts, April 23.

MARRIAGES.

BIRD—HAY.—Henry Wilberforce Bird, Madras Light Cavalry, second son of George Bird, Esq., late of the Madras Civil Service, to Mary L., daughter of William Ker Hay, Esq., late Surgeon-general Madras Army, at St. Luke's, Cheltenham, April 27.
BOND—CAZALET.—Francis T. Bond, M.D., B.A., Principal of the Hartley Institution, Southampton, to Charlotte E., widow of the late Lieut.-colonel P. G. Cazalet, H.M.'s Madras Army, at All Saints, Margaret-street, April 27.
BROWN—DAVIDSON.—Rev. Lionel Edward Brown, curate of Welland Vicarage, Upton on Severn, son of Henry Brown, Esq., late of the Bombay Civil Service, to Catherine F., daughter of Robert Davidson, Esq., late Physician-general, Madras Army, at Christ Church, Cheltenham, May 2.
BUCKLE—GARDINER.—Cuthbert Robert Buckle, Esq., Lieut. Royal Navy, to Mary C., daughter of the late Henry Gardiner, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at Bishops Lydeard, Somersetshire, April 26.
FARRINGTON—ROUGE-MONT.—Claus J. McLeod Farrington, Major Bengal Staff Corps, to Florence, eldest daughter of C. A. Rouge-mont, Esq., at Christ Church, Lancaster-gate, Hyde-park, April 27.
HARRIS—GIFFORD.—James W. C. E. Harris, late Topographical Survey in India, to Elizabeth J., daughter of Joseph Gifford, Esq., at the Parish Church, of St. Mary, Islington, May 3.
KER—FITZGERALD.—John Ker, Esq., C.E., Bombay, to Jane, daughter of Major-general Fitzgerald, Madras Army, at St. Paul's Church, Clifton, April 26.
LUKIN—FREELING.—Lieut.-colonel Charles O. Lukin, 41st Madras N.I., to Emily C., daughter of Charles Rivers Freeling, Esq., of 24, Upper Harley-street, at the Parish Church, St. Marylebone, April 27.
TURTON—JACKSON.—Rev. H. M. Turton, to Charlotte E., widow of A. J. Jackson, Esq., late of the Bengal Civil Service, at Christ Church, Clifton, April 25.

DEATHS.

BIRCH.—Major Henry Birch, late of the Bombay Army, at Hertford, aged 35, March 25.
BLACK—Maria, widow of James Black, Esq., late Senior Commander of the H.E.I. Co's. Bengal Marine, at 59, Albert-street, Mornington-crecent, aged 61, April 25.

CAVENDISH.—The Hon. Algernon William Cavendish, second son of Lord Chesham, at Latimer, aged 10, April 29.

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FIRST REPORT OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS.

The Court of Directors, in presenting their First Report and Balance-sheet, have great pleasure in congratulating their co-proprietors upon the position attained by the Bank during the brief period that has elapsed since the commencement of its operations.

The half-year for which the accounts are now rendered, and during which period a portion only of the existing branches of the Bank have been working, represents not only the least favourable season of the year in India, but has also been characterised by a severe monetary crisis in this country, which has necessitated the exercise of the utmost caution in conducting the business of the Bank, and a consequent restriction of its operations.

Notwithstanding these drawbacks, the net profits, after deducting all charges upon the current business of the Bank, and fully providing for all bad and doubtful debts, amount to £70,439. 4s. 8d.

This sum the Directors propose to distribute in the following manner, viz.:

£37,500 0 0 by a Dividend at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum.

£12,500 0 0 by a Bonus of 10s. per Share, equal to 5 per cent. per annum, being together equal to 20 per cent. per annum on the paid-up Capital on 31st December, to be paid to the proprietors free of income-tax.

£3,484 11 11 in liquidation of the whole of the Preliminary Expenses.

£5,500 0 0 to be added to the Reserve Fund, which, with the Premiums arising from the recent issue of New Shares, will then amount on 30th June next to £175,000; and the balance, say—

£6,454 12 9 they propose to carry to the credit of the Profit and Loss Account for the current year.

The Directors have further the pleasure to congratulate the Shareholders upon the successful issue of the New Shares, both here and in India, which were all promptly taken up upon the terms specified in the Circular addressed at the time to the Original Proprietors, the additional Capital, though not required by any exigencies of the Bank, was deemed desirable to place it upon a footing suitable to its increasing business.

The Directors, whose term of office has now expired, being eligible for re-election, offer themselves accordingly, and they recommend the re-election of the present able professional Auditors, and the election, in addition, of a non-professional Auditor for the current year.

The Directors also recommend the Shareholders to authorise them to declare and pay such an interim Dividend half-yearly, for the current and future years, as they may deem desirable, pending the final adjustment of the accounts.

F. BOYKETT, Chairman.

4, Lombard-street, E.C., April 20, 1865.

ASIATIC BANKING CORPORATION.

GENERAL BALANCE, Dec. 31, 1864.

Dr. LIABILITIES.	
To capital, 25,000 original shares at £20 each	£500,000
Less calls in arrear	4,305
	£495,695 0 0
To current and fixed deposits	3,383,547 6 4
To bills payable and other sums due to the public	1,727,329 15 10

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

To balance from June 30 to Dec. 31, 1864, after deduction of charges and making provision for bad debts	70,439 4 8
	£5,677,011 6 10

Cr. ASSETS.	
By coin and bullion	£363,595 11 3
By cash with bankers and money at call	1,026,357 8 5
By Government securities	64,670 0 0
By bills receivable, loans, &c., due to the Corporation	4,213,503 15 3
By preliminary expenses	8,484 11 11
	£5,677,011 6 10

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the HALF-YEAR ended Dec. 31, 1864.

To balance carried forward	£70,439 4 8
	£70,439 4 8

By net profit from 30th June to 31st Dec., 1864, subject to deduction for income-tax	£70,439 4 8
	£70,439 4 8

Jan. 1, 1865. By balance brought forward £70,439 4 8
F. W. LAWRENCE, Acting General Manager.
A. O. DAVIS, Acting Accountant.
F. BOYKETT, Chairman.
J. A. RUSSELL.
WILLIAM MAITLAND, } Directors.

London, 13th April, 1865.—We have examined the several statements transmitted from the Managers of the several Branches, and also the Books in London upon which the above Accounts have been framed, and hereby certify to their correctness, according to such books and statements, to 31st December, 1864. JAS. EDW. COLEMAN, } Auditors.
H. E. BIRD, }

MINUTES OF THE FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF the Shareholders, held at the Bank's Offices, No. 4, Lombard-street, on Thursday, the 4th day of May, 1865, FRANCIS BOYKETT, Esq., in the Chair.

The advertisements convening the Meeting and above Report of the Directors and General Balance-sheet, with Statement of the Profit and Loss Account, closed to the 31st Dec. last, having been read, the following resolutions were successively put, and carried unanimously, viz.:

1. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by J. A. Russell, Esq., "That the Report and Statement of Accounts now read be adopted."

2. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by J. A. Russell, Esq., "That a dividend for the half-year ended 31st December last at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum, and an additional dividend by way of bonus of 5 per cent. per annum, be declared and paid accordingly, free of income-tax, and that the same be paid in London on and after the 6th instant."

3. Proposed by Gavin Steel, Esq., seconded by F. Noad, Esq., "That the Directors be and are hereby empowered to declare and pay half-yearly such an interim Dividend for the current and future years, as they may in their discretion see fit, pending the final adjustment of the accounts."

4. Proposed by Michael H. Scott, Esq., seconded by John Cannon, Esq.,

"That the following gentlemen, whose term of office has expired, be and they are hereby respectively re-elected Directors, viz.:—Francis Boykett, Esq., J. A. Russell, Esq., Thomas Cardwell, Esq., C. A. Fearon, Esq., and Wm. Maitland, Esq."

5. Proposed by T. H. Coles, Esq., seconded by J. Parsons, Esq., "That J. E. Coleman and H. E. Bird, Esqrs., be respectively elected Auditors; that A. G. Milne, Esq., be elected an additional Auditor for the current year; and that the sum to be paid by way of remuneration to the Auditors for the past and current years shall be fixed and determined by the Court of Directors."

6. Proposed by J. Parsons, Esq., seconded by T. H. Coles, Esq., "That the cordial thanks of the Shareholders be rendered to the advisers and supporters of the Bank in Bombay, to whose zealous co-operation with the Directors and constant exertions on the Bank's behalf the success of the Bombay Agency is so greatly due."

7. Proposed by M. H. Scott, Esq., seconded by Gavin Steel, Esq.,

"That the best thanks of the Shareholders be given to the Chairman and Directors for their able administration of the affairs of the Bank."

8. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by J. A. Russell, Esq., "That the thanks of the Meeting be tendered to J. E. Coleman and H. E. Bird, Esqrs., for their able audit."

9. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by J. A. Russell, Esq., "That the thanks of the Meeting be conveyed to the Agents, Managers, and other officers of the Bank, for their zealous services for the past half-year."

(Extracted from the Minutes.)

F. W. LAWRENCE, Acting General Manager.
4, Lombard-street, E.C., May 4, 1865.

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FIRST REPORT OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS.

The Court of Directors, in presenting their First Report and Balance-sheet, have great pleasure in congratulating their co-proprietors upon the position attained by the Bank during the brief period that has elapsed since the commencement of its operations.

The half-year for which the accounts are now rendered, and during which period a portion only of the existing branches of the Bank have been working, represents not only the least favourable season of the year in India, but has also been characterised by a severe monetary crisis in this country, which has necessitated the exercise of the utmost caution in conducting the business of the Bank, and a consequent restriction of its operations.

Notwithstanding these drawbacks, the net profits, after deducting all charges upon the current business of the Bank, and fully providing for all bad and doubtful debts, amount to £70,439. 4s. 8d.

This sum the Directors propose to distribute in the following manner, viz. —

£27,500 0 0 by a Dividend at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum.
£19,500 0 0 by a Bonus of 10s. per Share, equal to 5 per cent. per annum, being together equal to 20 per cent. per annum on the paid-up Capital on 31st December, to be paid to the proprietors free of income-tax.
£3,484 11 11 in liquidation of the whole of the Preliminary Expenses.
£2,500 0 0 to be added to the Reserve Fund, which, with the Premiums arising from the recent issue of New Shares, will then amount on 30th June next to £175,000; and the Balance, say—
£6,454 13 9 they propose to carry to the credit of the Profit and Loss Account for the current year.

The Directors have further the pleasure to congratulate the Shareholders upon the successful issue of the New Shares, both here and in India, which were all promptly taken up upon the terms specified in the Circular addressed at the time to the Original Proprietors, the additional Capital, though not required by any exigencies of the Bank, was deemed desirable to place it upon a footing suitable to its increasing business.

The Directors, whose term of office has now expired, being eligible for re-election, offer themselves accordingly, and they recommend the re-election of the present able professional Auditors, and the election, in addition, of a non-professional Auditor for the current year.

The Directors also recommend the Shareholders to authorise them to declare and pay such an interim Dividend half-yearly, for the current and future years, as they may deem desirable, pending the final adjustment of the accounts.

F. BOYKETT, Chairman.

4, Lombard-street, E.C., April 20, 1865.

ASIATIC BANKING CORPORATION.

GENERAL BALANCE, Dec. 31, 1864.

Dr. LIABILITIES.		
To capital, 25,000 original shares at £20 each	...	£500,000
Less calls in arrear	...	4,305
		£495,695 0 0
To current and fixed deposits	...	3,383,547 6 4
To bills payable and other sums due to public	...	1,727,329 15 10

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

To balance from June 30 to Dec. 31, 1864, after deduction of charges and making provision for bad debts	...	70,439 4 8
		£2,677,011 6 10

Cr. ASSETS.		
By coin and bullion	...	£363,595 11 3
By cash with bankers and money at call	...	1,026,357 8 5
By Government securities	...	64,670 0 0
By bills receivable, loans, &c., due to the Corporation	...	4,218,503 15 3
By preliminary expenses	...	8,484 11 11
		£2,677,011 6 10

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the HALF-YEAR ended Dec. 31, 1864.

To balance carried forward	...	£70,439 4 8
		£70,439 4 8
By net profit from 30th June to 31st Dec., 1864, subject to deduction for income-tax	...	£70,439 4 8
		£70,439 4 8

Jan. 1, 1865. By balance brought forward £70,439 4 8
F. W. LAWRENCE, Acting General Manager.
A. O. DAVIS, Acting Accountant.
F. BOYKETT, Chairman.
J. A. RUSSELL.
WILLIAM MAITLAND, } Directors.

London, 13th April, 1865.—We have examined the several statements transmitted from the Managers of the several Branches, and also the Books in London upon which the above Accounts have been framed, and hereby certify to their correctness, according to such books and statements, to 31st December, 1864.
JAS. EDW. COLEMAN, } Auditors.
H. E. BIRD, }

MINUTES of the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders, held at the Bank's Office, No. 4, Lombard-street, on Thursday, the 4th day of May, 1865, FRANCIS BOYKETT, Esq., in the Chair.

The advertisements convening the Meeting and above Report of the Directors and General Balance-sheet, with Statement of the Profit and Loss Account, closed to the 31st Dec. last, having been read, the following resolutions were successively put, and carried unanimously, viz. —

1. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by J. A. Russell, Esq., "That the Report and Statement of Accounts now read be adopted."
2. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by J. A. Russell, Esq., "That a dividend for the half-year ended 31st December last at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum, and an additional dividend by way of bonus of 5 per cent. per annum, be declared and paid accordingly, free of income-tax, and that the same be paid in London on and after the 6th instant."
3. Proposed by Gavin Steel, Esq., seconded by F. Noad, Esq., "That the Directors be and are hereby empowered to declare and pay half-yearly such an interim Dividend for the current and future years, as they may in their discretion see fit, pending the final adjustment of the accounts."
4. Proposed by Michael H. Scott, Esq.; seconded by John Cannon, Esq., "That the following gentlemen, whose term of office has expired, be and they are hereby respectively re-elected Directors, viz. — Francis Boykett, Esq., J. A. Russell, Esq., Thomas Cardwell, Esq., C. A. Fearon, Esq., and Wm. Maitland, Esq."
5. Proposed by T. H. Coles, Esq., seconded by J. Parsons, Esq., "That J. E. Coleman and H. E. Bird, Esqs., be respectively elected Auditors; that A. G. Milne, Esq., be elected an additional Auditor for the current year; and that the sum to be paid by way of remuneration to the Auditors for the past and current years shall be fixed and determined by the Court of Directors."
6. Proposed by J. Parsons, Esq., seconded by T. H. Coles, Esq., "That the cordial thanks of the Shareholders be rendered to the advisers and supporters of the Bank in Bombay, to whose zealous co-operation with the Directors and constant exertions on the Bank's behalf the success of the Bombay Agency is so greatly due."
7. Proposed by M. H. Scott, Esq., seconded by Gavin Steel, Esq., "That the best thanks of the Shareholders be given to the Chairman and Directors for their able administration of the affairs of the Bank."
8. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by J. A. Russell, Esq., "That the thanks of the Meeting be tendered to J. E. Coleman and H. E. Bird, Esqs., for their able audit."
9. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by J. A. Russell, Esq., "That the thanks of the Meeting be conveyed to the Agents, Managers, and other officers of the Bank, for their zealous services for the past half-year."

(Extracted from the Minutes.)

F. W. LAWRENCE, Acting General Manager.
4, Lombard-street, E.C., May 4, 1865.

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GENERAL MANAGER—ANTHONY MORRISON, Esq. | ACTING MANAGER—F. W. LAWRENCE, Esq.

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AGENTS IN SCOTLAND—THE BRITISH LINEN COMPANY.

BROKERS—Messrs. FOSTER and BRAITHWAITE.

SOLICITORS—Messrs. FRESHFIELDS and NEWMAN.

FIRST REPORT OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS.

The Court of Directors, in presenting their First Report and Balance-sheet, have great pleasure in congratulating their co-proprietors upon the position attained by the Bank during the brief period that has elapsed since the commencement of its operations.

The half-year for which the accounts are now rendered, and during which period a portion only of the existing branches of the Bank have been working, represents not only the least favourable season of the year in India, but has also been characterised by a severe monetary crisis in this country, which has necessitated the exercise of the utmost caution in conducting the business of the Bank, and a consequent restriction of its operations.

Notwithstanding these drawbacks, the net profits, after deducting all charges upon the current business of the Bank, and fully providing for all bad and doubtful debts, amount to £70,439. 4s. 8d.

This sum the Directors propose to distribute in the following manner, viz.:

£37,500 0 0 by a Dividend at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum.

£12,500 0 0 by a Bonus of 10s. per Share, equal to 5 per cent. per annum, being together equal to 20 per cent. per annum on the paid-up Capital on 31st December, to be paid to the proprietors free of income-tax.

£8,484 11 11 in liquidation of the whole of the Preliminary Expenses.

£5,500 0 0 to be added to the Reserve Fund, which, with the Premiums arising from the recent issue of New Shares, will then amount on 30th June next to £175,000; and the balance, say—

£6,454 13 9 they propose to carry to the credit of the Profit and Loss Account for the current year.

The Directors have further the pleasure to congratulate the Shareholders upon the successful issue of the New Shares, both here and in India, which were all promptly taken up upon the terms specified in the Circular addressed at the time to the Original Proprietors, the additional Capital, though not required by any exigencies of the Bank, was deemed desirable to place it upon a footing suitable to its increasing business.

The Directors, whose term of office has now expired, being eligible for re-election, offer themselves accordingly, and they recommend the re-election of the present able professional Auditors, and the election, in addition, of a non-professional Auditor for the current year.

The Directors also recommend the Shareholders to authorise them to declare and pay such an interim Dividend half-yearly, for the current and future years, as they may deem desirable, pending the final adjustment of the accounts.

F. BOYKETT, Chairman.

4, Lombard-street, E.C., April 20, 1865.

ASIATIC BANKING CORPORATION.

GENERAL BALANCE, Dec. 31, 1864.

Dr. LIABILITIES.		
To capital, 25,000 original shares at £20 each	...	£500,000
Less calls in arrear	...	4,305
		£495,695 0 0
To current and fixed deposits	...	3,383,347 6 4
To bills payable and other sums due to the public	...	1,727,329 15 10

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

To balance from June 30 to Dec. 31, 1864, after deduction of charges and making provision for bad debts	...	70,439 4 8
		£5,677,011 6 10

Cr. ASSETS.

By coin and bullion	...	£363,595 11 3
By cash with bankers and money at call	...	1,026,357 8 5
By Government securities	...	64,670 0 0
By bills receivable, loans, &c., due to the Corporation	...	4,218,503 15 3
By preliminary expenses	...	8,484 11 11
		£5,677,011 6 10

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the HALF-YEAR ended Dec. 31, 1864.

To balance carried forward	...	£70,439 4 8
		£70,439 4 8

By net profit from 30th June to 31st Dec., 1864, subject to deduction for income-tax	...	£70,439 4 8
		£70,439 4 8

Jan. 1, 1865. By balance brought forward £70,439 4 8
F. W. LAWRENCE, Acting General Manager.
A. O. DAVIS, Acting Accountant.
F. BOYKETT, Chairman.
J. A. RUSSELL.
WILLIAM MAITLAND, } Directors.

London, 13th April, 1865.—We have examined the several statements transmitted from the Managers of the several Branches, and also the Books in London upon which the above Accounts have been framed, and hereby certify to their correctness, according to such books and statements, to 31st December, 1864. JAS. EDW. COLEMAN, } Auditors.
H. E. BIRD, }

MINUTES OF THE FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF the Shareholders, held at the Bank's Offices, No. 4, Lombard-street, on Thursday, the 4th day of May, 1865, FRANCIS BOYKETT, Esq., in the Chair.

The advertisements convening the Meeting and above Report of the Directors and General Balance-sheet, with Statement of the Profit and Loss Account, closed to the 31st Dec. last, having been read, the following resolutions were successively put, and carried unanimously, viz.:

1. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by J. A. Russell, Esq., "That the Report and Statement of Accounts now read be adopted."

2. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by J. A. Russell, Esq., "That a dividend for the half-year ended 31st December last at the rate of 15 per cent. per annum, and an additional dividend by way of bonus of 5 per cent. per annum, be declared and paid accordingly, free of income-tax, and that the same be paid in London on and after the 6th instant."

3. Proposed by Gavin Steel, Esq.; seconded by F. Noad, Esq., "That the Directors be and are hereby empowered to declare and pay half-yearly such an interim Dividend for the current and future years, as they may in their discretion see fit, pending the final adjustment of the accounts."

4. Proposed by Michael H. Scott, Esq.; seconded by John Cannon, Esq.,

"That the following gentlemen, whose term of office has expired, be and they are hereby respectively re-elected Directors, viz.:—Francis Boykett, Esq., J. A. Russell, Esq., Thomas Cardwell, Esq., C. A. Fearon, Esq., and Wm. Maitland, Esq."

5. Proposed by T. H. Coles, Esq., seconded by J. Parsons, Esq., "That J. E. Coleman and H. E. Bird, Esqs., be respectively elected Auditors for the current year; and that the sum to be paid by way of remuneration to the Auditors for the past and current years shall be fixed and determined by the Court of Directors."

6. Proposed by J. Parsons, Esq., seconded by T. H. Coles, Esq., "That the cordial thanks of the Shareholders be rendered to the advisers and supporters of the Bank in Bombay, to whose zealous co-operation with the Directors and constant exertions on the Bank's behalf the success of the Bombay Agency is so greatly due."

7. Proposed by M. H. Scott, Esq., seconded by Gavin Steel, Esq.,

"That the best thanks of the Shareholders be given to the Chairman and Directors for their able administration of the affairs of the Bank."

8. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by J. A. Russell, Esq., "That the thanks of the Meeting be tendered to J. E. Coleman and H. E. Bird, Esqs., for their able audit."

9. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by J. A. Russell, Esq., "That the thanks of the Meeting be conveyed to the Agents, Managers, and other officers of the Bank, for their zealous services for the past half-year."

(Extracted from the Minutes.)

F. W. LAWRENCE, Acting General Manager.
4, Lombard-street, E.C., May 4, 1865.

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George May, Esq. | K.C.B.
David Trail Robertson, Esq., ex-officio.

David Trail Robertson, Esq., Chief Manager.

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DATES OF ADVICES.

Bengal.....	April 10	Burmah (Rangoon) March 24
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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

WE are in receipt of our usual files of papers from Calcutta to the 10th of April, being three days later than the last arrival via Bombay; from Madras to the 14th, and Ceylon to the 17th of the same month.

At Calcutta Sir C. Trevelyan's Budget and the war in Bhootan, still shared the honour of engrossing public attention. A deputation from the Chamber of Commerce, headed by Mr. Bullen, had waited upon the Governor-General on the morning of the departure of the mail, with the memorial agreed to by that body on the subject of the export duties. Sir John Lawrence, who had evidently not the remotest idea of interference from Sir Charles Wood, gave the deputation no hopes of relief; and he very frankly declared that if the income-tax was to be given up he did not see where the revenue was to come from without recourse to aid of the kind. Mr. Bullen and his friends were of course respectfully disappointed, and until they get the good news will be as hopeless as Sir John Lawrence himself. In the meantime the unpopular feature in the Budget was receiving rough treatment from the press, and the character of Sir Charles Trevelyan as a financier was experiencing what they call in commercial intelligence "a steady decline." A little attempt at a rally was made on the ground of his personal merits, but it was of a fluctuating nature, and showed no signs of steadiness up to the latest date. In the market of public opinion, in fact, Sir Charles stands very low just now; nor is there any hope that his position will be made more cheering by his official reception in this country. He is better off, however, than Mr. Massey, who has all his troubles to come, and who—were he not paid what Mr. Disraeli calls "a fabulous salary" by way of consolation—would deserve the sincere pity of the public. Condemned from the beginning in Calcutta and Bombay, the obnoxious export duties found, for a time at least, indulgence in Madras. But this was only while the news remained in a telegraphic state. On the particulars being known, the local *Athenæum* and *Daily News* was fairly surprised out of all toleration, and avowed that it looked upon the prospects of Indian finance with dismay. Thus, even in his old official home, where, in his quarrel concerning the income-tax he received the warmest support, poor Sir Charles can scarcely find a friend.

The only certain conclusion suggested

by the Bhootan war is—that it is not peace. Nor, indeed, does there seem to be any prospect of pacification so long as the War Penlow continues to keep the upper hand over the Peace Penlow, as he has done throughout this unpleasant business. The conduct of the campaign, in the meantime, may well be embarrassing to the Government. It is easy enough to keep the force advancing, and to take place after place from the enemy, though even this is not such plain sailing, since sickness has set in among our troops, and the enemy have been found to fight. The difficulty is to know what to do with our successes, for holding the entire country would be very unprofitable work indeed. We suspect that the boldest policy is the safest in this as in so many other cases, and that a vigorous dash upon the capital and a little ruthless spoliation would be found easier, more economical, and more humane, than the present dilatory and distracting operations.

In Calcutta the temperature is said to be more depressing even than is usual at the season—a very trying one always for Europeans. The sanitary condition of the city, however, is a little better, epidemics being on the decline in the town and suburbs. The weather had not been made cooler by rumours of disturbances among the tribes near Peshawar, of which, however, there was no positive confirmation.

If it be true that the most prosperous periods in the life of nations are when they contribute nothing to history, Madras ought to be the most envied of the three Presidencies. It has about its fair proportion of newspapers, full of long and elaborate articles—written, too, with more than the usual colonial degree of care—but almost barren of news. This mail there seems to be more than usual, but that is little enough. One of the most important paragraphs perhaps is one which we have not quoted—to the effect that the management of the new "People's Park," are sending home by the next steamer a pair of tiger cubs, in exchange for a pair of lion cubs which they owe to the delicate attention of Dr. Mudge, of the India-office, who is said to be actively engaged in promoting the interests of the park in question.

The weather at Colombo is described as highly favourable to the preparation and and despatch of the staple production. At length there is an increase over previous years in the total exported, but only in consequence of the large quantity of native pushed forward. The new Governor, Sir

Hercules Robinson, whose arrival was announced by last mail, had assumed office, and held a levee, and the papers were busy telling him what to do, and speculating upon the chances of his being liked.

The half-yearly report of the directors of the Great Indian Peninsular Railway, to be submitted to the meeting on the 19th, announces the opening for traffic of a further portion of the Nagpore line, viz., thirty-two and three-quarter miles, from Mulkapore to Shegaum, and the satisfactory progress of the other uncompleted lines. The net profit of the half-year, carried to the credit of the company's interest account with the Government, is £83,713. 12s. 5d., against £58,697. 8s. 10d., in the corresponding half of the previous year.

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Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

H.M.'s FORCES.—Capt. B. Chamley, H.M.'s 17th Lancers, at Warcop-house, Westmorland, aged 30, May 11. Ens. John Galwey, H.M.'s 103rd Regt., youngest son of the Ven. Archdeacon of Derry, of enolers, aged 21, at Assergurh, April 4.

BENGAL.—Maj. gen. Tytze, late of the Indian Army, at Rome, aged 58, May 8.

MADRAS.—Brev. Lieut. col. F. G. F. Lascelles, late of the 4th Madras L.C., at Twickenham, aged 61, May 6. Surg. maj. R. R. Suthiffe, H.M.'s M.N.L., at 27, Chepstow-place, Bayswater, aged 53, May 10.

Passengers by the present Mail.

FOR MARSEILLES.—From CALCUTTA.—Capt. Rogers, Mr. Chisholm, Miss Russell, Mrs. Dove, Col. and Mrs. Tower, Col. Bright, Mr. Lind, Capt. and Mrs. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Cockrell and infant. From MADRAS.—Miss and Miss Ewbank and child, Mr. and Mrs. Forbes.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. *Pomah*, May 19.—From CALCUTTA.—Mrs. Behrends, the Rev. Mr. Soubous, Mr. Arthur, Mr. D. Mitchell, Mr. Stooke, Mr. J. Walker, Mr. Hathaway, Mr. Allan, Mr. J. Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. Chase and family, Mr. J. Bright and family, Mr. Stewart and family, Major and Mrs. Swiney and child, Mrs. Chambers and two children, Mrs. Bushell, Col. and Mrs. Maisey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cockrell and infant.

BENGAL.

THE REVOLUTION IN CENTRAL ASIA.

CASHMERE, Feb. 20.—The winter has now stopped all comers and goers, with the exception of an occasional instance of Cossids and such like, by either the Cabul, Budukshan or Ladak and Yarkand roads. Only here and there is even a whisper to be heard. However, I now give you the purport of those rumours which have lately reached my ears.

A Cashmeere merchant, at present at Yarkand, has written to say that it is only a chance whether he will ever again see Cashmere. The Thoonganeey or Tungusians, by the assistance of the Andejanee Khojahs, have turned out or killed all the Chinese authorities at Kashgar, Yarkand, Koten or Khathai, Illi, Akon, Thurfan, &c., and the whole country is in a state of confusion consequent on the change of government. The Emperor of China, on being applied to, has replied that no assistance can be sent for six months more—especially as this movement has been supposed by the Emperor to have been got up by the dispersed chiefs of the rebellion in China proper (the Taiping chiefs, I suppose), instigated by the intriguing Khojahs of Andejan. But in the midst of all this turmoil in those parts, the Russian agents, as Soudagurs or merchants, are said to be travelling about the country freely, and in great state and security, holding conferences with all the rebel Toonganees and Khojah chiefs. The Russians, at Illi, Akon, Thurfan and even at Kara Korum, Oorgah and Kyathka, and also from the entire line of range of the Mongolian and Khalkas provinces, are now busy in erecting grand and extensive Lamaserais, or Lama houses of worship, which are to accommodate large numbers of Lamas, whom they engage to protect by a suitable force of Mongols and Khalkass. The Kara Korum here referred to is not the range so called, but the Mongolian and Khalkass town and province usually termed Genghis Khanee or Zhyhenghree Kara Kooru, that being supposed to be Genghis Khan's birth-place. It lies S.W. of Oorga and of Kijathka or Kyathkah. Several of the Lama houses have already been erected, and the former ones enlarged, as at Oorgah, Kara Korum, Koko Nor and Tolo Nor, in which they say that now from 10,000 to 20,000 Lamas reside under Russian protection, but all those Lamaserais are said to be obliged by their protectors to pay the utmost reverence and submission to the great Lama of Lass (Lassa). All those new Lamaserais and Lamas are termed Roose Lama, and are said to be continued down in different directions and on the different roads, from the Khal Kass and Mongolian ranges (already Russian Provinces) by Koko Nor, Tolo Nor, Kara Korum, &c., to within 10 or 15 Cossid stages of Lassa. One of those large Lama houses is said to be within 3 or 4 stages of the Khylop ranges which bound the north of the Manuthelai or Mansarover lakes.

As for Kokan, Toorkistan, and Cabul matters, it is now said that the Russians have so re-installed the King of Kokan, that he now feels more pleased and easy in his situation than before, being free from the former continued dread of Bokhara. The great man, the Saihaibaani-Roos Kaubaan, Thoornceff Saihaib Buhadoor, is said to have crowned him with his own hand, on which there was a grand salute of a hundred-and-one-guns. The great Sultan-i-Roos (Emperor of Russia) has ordered that throughout the whole country of Kokan, Andejan, Khaarazon, &c., no revenue or tax of any kind is to be levied for the term of three years. The Khirghis capitation tax, is done away with, mosques and places of worship are to be built, and all male slaves are to be purchased and released by the Sultan-i-Roos, and enrolled in his service as free soldiers. It is believed that the great and beneficent Sultan-i-Roos has become the defender and protection of the faith and the faithful,

and that Andejan is ordered to be revered as the Mecca of the Far East—the holy and auspicious birthplace of the sanctified Imam Mendee. The Saihaibaani-Roos, at Kokan and at Bokhara, have sent orders to all the chiefs of Toorkistan, dependent and independent, to send both to Kokan and Bokhara a true and accurate statement of all their troops, horse and foot; and those worthies, thinking that they will be highly rewarded for their services, have submitted statements of double the amount of troops and followers which they actually have. Thus it is said that the Budukshan man, who has lately revolted from Koonduz and gone over to the King of Bokhara, has rendered a statement of 15,000, whereas 10,000 is the most he could collect. At the present time he has 3,000 horse, with about the same number of foot soldiers, intended for the aid of Abdulruhman Khan (Afzul Khan's son). The whole of Toorkistan is said to be in waiting for Nouroze, a festival in about a month hence, and the breaking up of winter, to take lower Toorkistan south of the Oxus, and place Abdulruhman Khan, now son-in-law to the King of Bokhara, on the throne of Balk and Koonduz.

Shere Ali, at Cabul, seems to be going from bad to worse. He has imprisoned three more of his paternal brothers, Uzhim Khan, Hosein Khan and Hoossun Khan, and in the midst of the deep intrigue by which he now seems to see himself surrounded, he is said to be quite bewildered and does not know really what to do. All the Chiefs and Sirdars of Cabul, with the troops, are said to be in secret league against him, and every one says that both he and his son will be very lucky if they get out of the matter with their lives. His younger son Ibrahim Khan is so angry with both his father and his elder brother Mamood Allee Khan, that he is ready to murder both. But this younger son, Ibrahim Khan, is said to be put up to all this enmity, and is considered a very useful tool in the hands of the other great but as yet secret conspirators. Most of the influential and rich merchants under different pretexts have left Cabul, being in dread of Shere Ali robbing and imprisoning them, as he is said to be in great want of money to go and take Candahar from Mamood Ameen Khan, Shureeff Khan, and other Sirdars there. The Saihaibaani-Roos, at Kokan, it is said, has sent down an Eilchee or envoy to Cabul, to ask in a definite manner whether the Ameer will release Afzul Khan or not; but to this matter the Canbulees attach another meaning. They say that Shere Ali, seeing himself surrounded by secret enemies and difficulties on all sides, and disgusted or angry with the refusal of the British Government either to lend him money on interest or give him muskets as he requested; and also seeing how Sirdar Ameen Khan's son was allowed to go from Rawul Pindoe to Kohat, and with what is supposed by the Ameer, and throughout all Afghanistan, as being British gold and British means, has been enabled to raise a large body of troops south of Ghuznee, by which he is said now to be raising the whole country, to the great annoyance and detriment of the Ameer. It is said that the Ameer, considering all this, has resolved to escape the difficulty by altogether reversing his policy, again making friends with all his brethren, releasing Afzul Khan, and joining heart and soul with Bokhara, Persia, and Russia in all their views, schemes and intrigues. For this purpose he has himself requested the Saihaibaani-Roos at Kokan to send down the Eilchee that is at present said to have arrived at Cabul in order that he, the Ameer, may confer with him and settle matters, as he thinks in a peaceful way. —Friend of India.

THE CENTRAL PROVINCES.

Mr. Temple's Report on the Administration of the Central Provinces is, as usual, dis-

tinguished from the average of blue-books in both the manner and the matter. The most noticeable feature in the year's social history is the rapid rise in the price of all articles, whether the necessities of life or of luxuries. Wages of all descriptions of labour have shown a similar increase. What is more, the spirit and industry of the people have been awakened; and we are told that "the struggle for subsistence, for position, for fortune, is becoming more and more vigorous with all classes, whether European or native, whether gentry or the middle classes, or the yeomen, or the husbandman, or the poor." The rise in the price of food is chiefly attributed to the increased cultivation of cotton, much of which is believed to have displaced that of cereals. At the same time, there has been increased importation of grain. The Nerbudda Valley has been, from the earliest times, celebrated as one of the granaries of India. The poor were employed, in large numbers, upon public works; and lately, employment has been so abundant that labour, for any important purposes, is hardly procurable. Thousands of the non-labouring classes emigrated, during the year, to Chutteesgurh. With reference to the distribution of the wealth accruing from these increased prices of cotton and agricultural products in general, Mr. Temple observes—

"Much of the wealth thus arising doubtless accrues to traders, middlemen, and the like. Still, much of it is really enjoyed by the agricultural classes. And this share, again, is practically well distributed between the landlord and the ryot. If there be any difference at all, it is in favour of the ryot. While, on the one hand, he receives much more than he used to receive for his cotton, his grain, and other produce, yet his rent, if raised at all, is not raised proportionately. Previously, there was too much fixity in rent, and there was great difficulty in raising it. This is a defect which is now being remedied. But the fact remains, that while the ryot's income has increased his rent has not generally been raised. It may be safely said that the benefit of the increased value of cotton, grain, and other produce, has really reached the ryot. He is much more independent, and much less indebted to money-lenders than he was. The landlords, too, though their rent-rolls have not been swollen as might have been expected, have still benefited, for most of them have homestead farms under their own culture, the produce of which has brought them enlarged incomes. Many unthrifty landlords have in this way been enabled to clear off their debts."

There are drawbacks, however, to this prosperity; the price of some things has risen enormously. Cattle, for instance, for yoke or draught, have become enormously dear,—a pair that formerly cost fifty rupees fetching now a hundred and fifty, or even two hundred rupees. The demand for cotton causing its exportation, local prices have become extremely high. The weavers of the coarse native fabrics have, consequently, abandoned their looms for more lucrative employment, and the agriculturist has much more to pay for his cloths than formerly. The agriculturists are, nevertheless, making money rapidly; but money is not wealth, and Mr. Temple very pertinently asks, "Is this agricultural prosperity fructifying as it ought? Is the exportation of raw produce giving birth to a return trade, to an interchange of commodities, to new wants, which promote civilisation?" He answers, "I fear not, as yet." The imports, both in Nagpore and Chutteesgurh, have been insignificantly small, compared with the exports, the difference being made up by bullion remittances and cash payments, which they hoard or turn into ornaments. Precisely the same process is going on in the Nagpore and Wurdah districts.

MISCELLANEOUS.

AN AUGURY FROM THE CYCLONE.—The *Hurkaru* says:—"A most singular notion has seized upon the ever-busy fancy of the Ma-

hommedans. Not satisfied with drawing portents of the coming of the Imam Mehndee from the Afghan war, the advance of Russia, and the birth of monsters, they have come to the conclusion that the cyclone, so remarkable for its fury and the destruction it has occasioned, also foretells the speedy advent of the 'illustrious stranger.' The mystic year of 1290 has a great deal to answer for in predisposing the minds of Moslems to grasp at anything and everything which can fairly be construed into an omen. Hence they suppose the direction in which all fallen trees seem to point indicates the quarter whence the Star of Islamism will arise. As far as Calcutta is concerned, this would invest China Bazaar with a very remarkable suspicion."

ITEMS FROM BHOOTAN.—From the *Bengal Hurkaru*, April 10, we have the following:—At the taking of Buxa the troops of the Rajah of Cooch Behar, led by Captain Hidayut Ally, behaved in a very gallant and plucky manner. Their conduct was brought to the notice of the Government, who, to mark its sense of the merits of Captain Hidayut Ally's services, has appointed him assistant to the political agent for Cooch Behar. We learn from Darjeeling that there is every probability of a disturbance taking place between the Bhootas and the Thibetans. The Bhootas are trying to cross over the Thibetan territory of Pek Phari to attack Sikkim. This the latter oppose with vigor. The Dhurm Rajah of Lhasa has collected a strong force to prevent the Bhootas from entering his dominions. Tounsoo Penlow has determined to punish Cheboo Llama, whom he considers as the author of the war with the British. We learn from Darjeeling that the Sikkim Rajah, looking upon the threats of Tounsoo Penlow as a matter not to be despised, and in a great fright lest the Bhootas should advance on Sikkim to carry out their intention of punishing Cheboo Llama, despatched one of his kardars on an embassy to Lhasa. The Sikkim Rajah represented to the Dhurm Raj of Thibet that the Bhootas could only attack his territories by crossing the Thibetan district of Phari, and he therefore entreated the Dhurm Raj to prohibit their advance in this direction. In reply, he has been assured that the Thibetan authorities will not allow the Bhootas to cross any territory belonging to Lhasa, and that the policy of the Thibetan Government is one of non-interference. The Bhootas having involved themselves in a war must fight their own battles, and make the best terms they can. It will be remembered that on previous occasions of a British advance on Bhootan the Dhurm Raj of Lhasa has acted as if the Bhootas were in some way under his protection, and has assumed the office of mediator.

CALCUTTA ON DITS.—We have heard of some disturbances among the hill tribes on the North-west Frontier, but the particulars have not yet come to hand. His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor will leave Belvidere on the 17th instant, the day fixed for the departure of the Viceroy and staff. We are glad to learn that her Highness the Secunder Begum of Bhopal has complied with the advice tendered her, and has abolished the prohibitive duties on grain passing through her territories. It is rumoured that the Government of India intends to bring one or two officers of the Engineer Corps from Madras to fill up permanently certain vacancies caused by the recent changes in the Department of Public Works at this Presidency. Her Highness the Secunder Begum of Bhopal we find, in order to perpetuate the dignity of the Star of India conferred on her, has presented her regiments with new colours, having the insignia of the Star of India beautifully worked thereon. We have been given to understand that the Hon. the Lieut.-Governor of Bengal has appointed Doctor J. Fawcus to officiate as Deputy-inspector-general of Jails in the

Lower Provinces. The Government of Bengal has sanctioned the erection of a hospital at Assaloo, and a branch one at Longting, in North Cachar, at a cost of Rs. 600, for the reception and treatment of the Kookee tribes suffering from skin disease.—*Hurkaru*, April 10.

RADICAL CHANGES IN LOCAL LAWS AFFECTING BRITISH-BORN SUBJECTS.—Never, since the Charter of 1833, when the last relics of the East India Company's exclusive system disappeared, have Englishmen in India seen so radical a change in the law which affects them most closely, as in the present year. The Acts of Parliament of 1858 and 1861, which removed the Company and established a new judicial system, did not so nearly concern them. The Indian Rent, Civil Procedure and Penal Code Acts of 1859 left all their national beliefs and traditional customs untouched, except in the one case of the new adultery law. But in this year 1865 some of the most important of their rights, in both Civil and Criminal law, undergo a modification, and, we venture to think, not for the worst in the latter, greatly for the better in the former case. Under the Indian Succession Act, from the close of this year, the legal age of majority in the case of all Christians not otherwise exempt by Government, will be eighteen years. The property of the Englishman who dies without a will, must, in the absence of any valid contract made before marriage, be divided in the proportion of one-third to his widow and two-thirds equally among his surviving children. And the evils of marriage settlements are prevented by the law which gives the wife power over her own property. The High Courts Criminal Jurisdiction Bill was passed into law on Monday. Under it the Englishman who is accused will be tried in the manner which we lately described. The discussion was remarkable for the difference which it brought out between the views of a broad-minded Englishman like Mr. Maine, and those of a *doctinaire* old Indian like Sir C. Trevelyan. Both agreed, as all agree, in expressing satisfaction that at last a plan has been found for trying European offenders without injustice either to the accused or their native fellow-subjects. But, after the inevitable allusion to Lord W. Bentinck, Sir C. Trevelyan puts it in this form—"The only question was how the protection of the natives could be reconciled with the maintenance of the just and necessary rights of the Europeans"—as though he had been speaking of a time long since past. On the other hand Mr. Maine prevents all possibility of irritation, and directly administers a well-deserved rebuke to his colleague, in these words:—"If there be any fragment of truth at the bottom of these miserable assertions of the inveterate hostility of class to class—assertions which seem to me to create the very feeling which they affect to decry—I should expect them to disappear in the common discharge of a most sacred duty."—*Friend of India*.

ANOTHER ACCIDENT ON THE HOOGHLY.—The report of the drowning of four Englishmen, including Mr. Bovill, C.S., and Dr. Honegger, while crossing from Samnuggur to Chandernagore, we regret to find is confirmed. Another accident of the same kind is recorded in the *Hurkaru* of the 10th. It appears that a party of Europeans were crossing the river, near Somnaghur, when they were overtaken by a violent gust of wind, which capsized the boat, and threw the entire party into the river. We fear from the accounts that reach us that the lives of all on board were lost. The only names of the unfortunate gentlemen we have been able to learn are those of Mr. Fisk Williams and Mr. Hughes. Another of the party, we are informed, was a clerk in the house of Messrs. Wattenbach, Heilgers and Co., but we have been unable, up to the time of going to press, to obtain any further particulars.

SPECULATION IN CALCUTTA.—The *Englishman* says:—New and extensive undertakings are now brought forward, and attract all attention, to the detriment of the older joint-stock companies, and the shares of the latter are neglected. The new joint-stock companies, however, demand so much money in deposit, and the amount of calls for all is so great, that many of the shareholders find it difficult to pay up. For this reason, shares in these companies also are very heavy. Port Cannings are quoted at 3,000 prem., Salt Water Lake Reclamation at 100 and 200 Rs. The new financial bank, the Imperial, has also just been floated, and the shares allotted. The Sunderbuns Reclamation and Land Investment Company has put forward a scheme, on a most gigantic scale, for cultivating the whole Sunderbuns, or the waste lands of the Delta of the Ganges; this company is strongly supported both in Calcutta and Bombay; the shares have not yet been quoted. The direction is composed of the following gentlemen: F. Schiller, Esq., chairman; R. Brown Mackay, Esq., J. M. Hall, Esq., William Grant, Esq., Hy. Reinold, Esq., W. M. Whitney, Esq., F. G. Eldrige, Esq., Hugh Fraser, Esq., Rajah Sutt Shurn Ghosal Bahadur; Baboo Heeralall Seal, Baboo Ram Gopal Ghose, Baboo Degumber Mitter and Dhunjeebhoy Byramjee Mehta, Esq.—Bankers, the National Bank of India, and Secretaries and Treasurers, Messrs. Borrodale, Schiller & Co. The promoters in Bombay are Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, Bart., the Hon. M. Scott, Hon. W. R. Cassels, J. Fleming, Esq., Premchund Roychund, Esq., Byramjee Hormusjee Cama, Esq., and others; and among the names in Calcutta are E. D. Kilburn, Esq., Seth Apar, Esq., H. Knowles, Esq., G. M. Struthers, Esq., W. C. Stuart, Esq., Baboo Samachurn Mullick, and others. The Salt Water Reclamation Company, which came out last week, does not appear to take well, or else the necessity of finding so large a deposit at first is weighing on the market. This company promises more immediate profits than any of the others, but is not so brilliantly supported by the great capitalists.

THE GENTLEMEN OF TIRHOOT (says the *Englishman*) must, without any flattery, be an uncommonly fine set of fellows. Their hospitality is proverbial, their kindness to strangers is known throughout India, and now they are mentioned in a special official letter, which we have much pleasure in reprinting elsewhere, as having organised, of their own free will, a dashing, well mounted, admirably equipped, and perfectly drilled corps, one hundred and twenty strong, of Mounted Rifles. The praise bestowed upon them is evidently well deserved, and we trust heartily that the corps will go on and prosper, and that such a gallant gentleman as James Forlong will live long to ride at their head.

THE MUNEEPOORIES GIVING TROUBLE.—We read in the *Englishman*:—The Viceroy has, we understand, thanked Lieutenant Williams, Dr. Nelson, and Messrs. Findlater and Belchambers, for their good conduct in dispersing a party of armed Muneepoories, assembled near Luckhipore. The exiled Rajahs of Muneepoor, now residing in British territory, assembled an armed force of Muneepoories to attack the Rajah of that country. On this occasion the police behaved in a very creditable manner, and held the Muneepoories in check till reinforced by the detachment of the 39th Native Infantry from Silchar.

ANOTHER GIGANTIC JOINT-STOCK COMPANY.—A new company, "The Imperial Finance Company Limited," is about to start here, and at Bombay, under most influential auspices. The capital will be one crore of rupees, in twenty-five thousand shares of four hundred rupees each, the payment on allotment being one hundred rupees per share. Ten thousand shares have been allotted to Calcutta, but applications have, we hear, been received for twenty-five thousand.—*Englishman*.

A FAILURE IN COTTON.—We noticed the other day how seriously the fall in cotton had affected the native merchants in the North-West; we had heard of one suicide amongst them, a practice not unusual amongst the respectable native merchants who have the same notions of honour as the Frenchman at Marseilles so graphically described by Dumas, who seemed to think that creditors should consider a discharge of a pistol as a sufficient discharge of their claims. The usual mode of committing suicide amongst the natives is poison, or, as they say, swallowing *kunee* or diamond dust; perhaps the crystals of corrosive sublimate are so elegantly named. But we have to-day heard of another mode of proceeding, an unhappy merchant at Dholpoor gathered a few bales of cotton together, well saturated with saltpetre, and then placing himself on the pile, set the whole on fire.

PROSPECTS IN BHOOTAN.—The *Hurkaru* contains the following:—There are strange rumours from Bhootan. The negotiations for peace would appear to have been definitively abandoned, the Bhoota peace-party not being sufficiently strong to resist the pressure of the party headed by Toungeoo Penlow. It is said that the Bhootas quite recently murdered three subordinates of the British Government, and that the British captured some Bhootas near Tajeegong, and that these events have led to the breaking off of the overtures on the part of the enemy. The Paro Penlow is the head of the western or peace-party, and the great rival of Toungeoo. His antagonism to the latter would seem to have arisen from circumstances connected with the appointment of the present Deb Rajah. He has, however, lost much influence, and indeed would seem to have incurred the hostility of many of the Kardars or Jungpeens in consequence of his reiterated assertions of the peaceful intentions of the British. He asserted that our troops would not for the future arrest travellers to the plains, that in fact the blockade of the hills would be considerably lightened. The Bhootas, however, complain that he has deceived them, as the runners and traders in *pan* and *siparee* have been seized at our outposts, and prevented from proceeding. This measure, they say, is a plain proof that the British have no real intention of concluding peace. It is remarkable that the party which would be most affected by our permanent occupation of the country are the party most in favour of peace, whilst the war-party is composed almost entirely of the men of the Eastern parts of Bhootan, who are absolutely safe from the danger of annexation. . . . The whole plateau of Dewangiri is in the hands of the General, but what will he do with it? This is a question which the public would like to see answered. One thing is certain—having retaken the position, it is a political necessity to hold it. We still, however, abide by our opinion that a substantial peace can only be conquered by an annexation of the south western corner of the country, that is by such an advance of our frontier as shall place us in a position to dictate our own terms to the Bhootan Durbar.

MACHINERY IN ALLIPORE JAIL.—The Lieutenant-governor has sanctioned the introduction of machinery into Allipore Jail, for the preparation of yarn from jute, at a total estimated cost of one lac of rupees. It has been calculated that by this measure a daily profit of Rs. 280 will accrue, which will be equal to a net annual return of Rs. 85,000. The machinery is to be supplied by Messrs. Jessop and Co.—*Hurkaru*.

THE INDIAN BRANCH RAILWAY, says the *Hurkaru*, will soon take up their work in Oudh in real earnest. They have a large staff on the spot, and with reference to their operations the Government has appointed three Commissioners to represent its interests and those of the inhabitants—the Deputy-commissioners of Lucknow and Oonao and the chief engineer of Oudh.

BURMAH.—A letter from Rangoon, dated March 14, contains the following:—Our cold season has all passed away, and we are now grilling under a noon day sun at 90 deg. in the shade, and so we must remain till about the middle of May, when our genial monsoon sets in with its usual vigor. At the same time the Rangoon merchants are up to their eyes in work; it is a most glorious sight to see our harbour so full of shipping and most of them first-class ships. The strand, by permission, is literally piled along the river's bank some thirty feet high, with bags of rice, catch, &c., &c.; most of this is for the Straits, China, Batavia, and Siam, a very small modicum going this year to England. At this time, even with the rumours of peace in America floating about, one or two firms are heavily engaged in cotton transactions; the majority, however, fight shy of it. There have been, on an average for the past six weeks, no less than eighty ships in harbour; they arrive as fast as others are loaded. Even the pilot service has broken down, and the master attendant advertises for six more candidates to pass as pilots; the present club are making a fortune by pilotage, and I am told at the present there are some thirty vessels outside waiting for pilots. Some captains risk coming up to town themselves when light. Colonel Phayre has returned from Calcutta—what transpired there between himself and the G. G. nobody knows. The chief commissioner went away just as the exhibition was about being opened, so he lost the sight of his secretary; Major Davies became his *locum tenens*, however, and the show has been pronounced a success. There were but very few Burmese exhibitors, which was rather unfortunate.

RAILWAY WORKS IN THE NORTH-WEST.—We (*Hurkaru*) have been informed that the Government of the North-Western Provinces has authorised the construction of several railway feeders and branch roads in the Bunderkund Division to promote the interests of commerce, and for the convenience of the people. The Lieut.-governor has solicited sanction of the Supreme Government to the employment for two years of an Executive Engineer on a salary of Rs. 1,200 per mensem, with subordinate assistants to inspect those roads now under construction in Ferozepore, Durbhangah, Mynpooree, &c., in connection with the main line of railway in that part of the country.

AN EXPENSIVE MARRIAGE.—We (*Hurkaru*) hear from Lahore that the marriage ceremonies of the young Maharajah of Putilallah have at last come to an end. It is said that the *tumasha* cost his Highness the very pretty little sum of fifty lakhs, or half a million sterling. Of course, we must not look forward to the success of our crusade against infanticide whilst we have such examples of extravagance as this has been set the people by their rulers. It is idle, of course, to blame the boy Rajah, but not so his Durbar. A heavy outlay would, of course, afford these men some very handsome pickings. We certainly think, however, that the influence of the British authorities might have been very properly exercised in this instance to reduce the expenses attending "marriages in high life" amongst the natives.

STORM IN THE HOOGHLY.—The *Hurkaru* of April 10 says:—"The storm of Monday evening, it appears, raged with great fury along the course of the river in the Hooghly district. The wind was very strong, and the storm was accompanied by an unusually heavy fall of hail. The villages have suffered in their crops especially. Many houses have been blown down, and many more damaged, whilst a large number of cattle are said to have perished in the hail storm."

THE MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH INDIAN ASSOCIATION have presented Sir Charles Trevelyan with a farewell address.

NATIVE LADIES IN EXILE.—We learn that the Begum Huzrut Mehal and her son Brijis Kudr, now in Nepal, have given up their intention of returning to the British territories. The great stumbling-block to the former arrangement would appear to be the suspicion entertained by the Begum and her son that they would be kept under more than surveillance. They have an unextinguishable suspicion of the motives of the Government, and do not understand that it really matters very little whether they join the Garden Reach family or not. From Nepal also there is a rumour that the stepmother of Nana Rao would like to return to the British dominions. It is said she has forwarded a petition to Government, in which she expresses her wish to return and end her days at the holy shrine of Benares, provided only the Government will not place her under surveillance. She asks for no allowances, having, as she says, ample funds of her own. The British Government does not make war upon women, and the refugees in Nepal have long ceased to be a source of anxiety to the Supreme Government. But although we would have these exiled ladies treated with respect and kindness, it would be a very great pity to shut our eyes to the fact that if allowed perfect freedom of action they would soon gather round them a little circle of busy intriguers, if not worse. The step-mother of Nana Rao, whether with or without her consent, would be a means of intercommunication of no slight importance in the eyes of those who persist in looking to the hills for a deliverer, or the head of a great conspiracy against our rule. If the ladies of the Nana's family wish to return to Benares, they might be told they can do so, but that they must submit to such a surveillance as shall defeat the aims of the disaffected, without needlessly interfering with their comfort or privacy.

MYNAGOREE.—A correspondent in Bhootan sends us the following, dated 19th ult.:—There are two routes from Mynagoree to Julpigoree—one by the bridge of boats over the Teesta at Palharpoore, and thence by the out-post of Domohani, around or rather along the two sides of an acute-angled triangle, a journey of some ten or twelve miles. The other route is by a ferry opposite Mr. Stewart's house at Julpigoree, and thence north-east to Mynagoree. For a great part of the way the road is a good country track, which may yet be made the foundation of a really good road. The rest of the way is across fields and ditches. The smoothing of the road—now called the road to Julpigoree *via* Dingreehat—is completed. Small pieces of bamboo have been stuck up at all places where a false turn might be made. There is a good direct road passable by carts between Mynagoree and the left bank of the Teesta. A tiger, which was the terror of the inhabitants of Mynagoree, has met with his quietus at the hands of the Deputy Commissioner. The road-making operations did not seriously interrupt the cultivation of the peasantry. Dingreehat is a village about four miles from Mynagoree, at which a large market is held twice a week. About 2,000 people assemble there; the staples are rice, and other kinds of grain, cotton, jute, vegetables, fish and country cloth. The Mynagoreeans nearly all speak a dialect of Bengali, different somewhat to that of their neighbours, but yet easily understood after a little practice at it. The villages are called *baris*. The people have no idea of the measurement or quantity of land, and estimate their holdings by ploughs, and a jote is described as an *ath* hull jote or a *dus* hull jote, as the case may be. Their tenure is one on a varying rental. The rents are low, as a general rule, as may be supposed when it is remembered what kind of a country they are levied in, and seem fixed on some very arbitrary principle, if indeed they are fixed on any principle at all. As regards the Bhootea rule, they seem to

have been passively acquiescent. The regular payments demanded were not grievous, and as regards oppression and plunder, one man said that the chances were it would not be his village which was plundered, leaving a very unchristian *ergo* to be supplied, namely, that it did not matter to him whether his neighbour's village was looted or not. The immediate neighbourhood of Mynagoree is said to be healthy. The people are also well to do, both men and women being better fed and better clad than their neighbours in many of the districts of Lower Bengal.—*Bengal Hurkaru*.

WHAT TO DO WITH DEWANGIRI.—Letters from Assam state that the difference between Colonel Hopkinson and the military is a subject of some remark. The commissioner, it would seem, advocates very much the same views in regard to Dewangiri as those which have found a place in the columns of the *Hurkaru*. We are glad to find that those upon the spot, whose position enables them to judge of the actual facts of the case, have come to the same conclusions with ourselves. It shows that our opinions are correct. Dewangiri should be given up this season, as irrespective of any question of policy, health, &c., the demands of the expedition for labourers and carriage are more than the districts contiguous to its line of march can possibly supply. Their resources are already crippled, and the arrival and movements of the European infantry and artillery will simply exhaust them. To give our readers some idea of the immense and extraordinary demand for men which has suddenly sprung up, we may mention that it is reported 220 or 230 men were required to grind flour only for the 29th Punjab Infantry. It must be borne in mind, moreover, that roads have to be made, barracks and huts built, and a general transport service organised in addition to such demands as that given above. The Government should call upon the chief civil and military officers for a report of the present state of the resources of the expedition. We believe it would be found that it is actually unable to make the advance so obstinately persisted in, at the very worst season of the year.—*Hurkaru*.

THE EXPORT DUTIES.—DEPUTATION FROM THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—The deputation headed by Mr. Bullen, President of the Chamber of Commerce, on the subject of the export duties, waited on Sir John Lawrence this day (April 10) at noon. They represented that the articles taken could not bear the duties now laid upon them. It was stated that the average export of silk had fallen off from 13,158 cwt. to 12,507 cwt., and that silk now conducted at a loss; that sugar which in 1852-4 averaged an export of 38,355 tons has averaged only 13,136 tons; that hides have fallen from 36,87,845 to 30,86,867 pieces, and that jute has experienced a very heavy fall in price. Under these circumstances it was represented that the trade of the country was unable to bear an increase in the export duties, which would not have been necessary had the opium average not been placed so low as eight hundred and fifty rupees per chest. The Viceroy, in reply, said that he could hold out no hope of the duties now imposed being taken off. It was very difficult to see how the revenue was to be raised if we are to give up our income-tax and have no export duties. That opium was very uncertain, no man being able to calculate within a million or a million and a half sterling what the yield would be. We have to face an increased expenditure every year, improved government and extra outlay being synonymous, and really he did not see where the increased revenue was to come from. He would, however, lay the matter before the Council, and would do whatever he could in fairness to meet the wishes of the deputation.

THE SUCCESSION AND INHERITANCE (PARSEES) BILL has been passed by the Legislative Council. The Hon. Mr. Anderson stated that the object of the Bill is to relieve the Parsees from the operation of that portion of the Indian Succession Act of 1865 which related to intestate property, and to state the provisions by which partition of such property should be regulated for that community. The Bill, then, as it now stands, has two prominent features. Firstly, it exempts the Parsees from the provisions of the Indian Succession Act relative to intestate property; secondly, it provides that the share of daughters in relation to such property shall be equal to one-fourth of the share of sons. The Indian Succession Act provides that daughters shall succeed equally with sons to intestate property. A large number of Parsees, principally residing in the Mofussil, consider that daughters should have no share at all, or at most only a minute fraction. The great majority of the Parsee community, and especially of those residing in Bombay, consider that the course proposed in the present Bill should be followed. That course, it will be observed, is a *via media* between the two extremes just stated.

THE SETTLEMENT OF SINDE.—The India Government directed the Government of Bombay to follow in the settlement of the province of Sindh the plan in force in Bengal. In reply Sir Bartle Frere pointed out that the operation of two such widely differing systems side by side would produce endless confusion and trouble, and that it would be better under all the circumstances of the case to follow the principles of the Bombay settlement. Sir Bartle's common sense view of the matter has had its proper effect, the Supreme Government having decided not to press the matter.—*Hurkaru*, April 10.

STRAWBERRIES IN CALCUTTA.—We have not seen it noticed before that we owe to Mr. William Taylor, of Patna, the introduction of strawberries to the Calcutta residents. He has taken advantage of the railway to send the produce of his garden to this city, and we shall, ere long, have grapes from the same quarter. This example should stimulate gardeners all along the lines of railway, and fruits in a condition unknown to Calcutta, heretofore, will be sent to us, paying the producers handsomely, and adding to the few luxuries we now possess.—*Englishman*.

HOSTILE CHIEFS.—We have heard of disturbances in Tipperah between the Rajahs, whose contention was so recently a nine days' wonder in the Calcutta High Court. The defeated chieftain intends to try the justice of the sword, having failed at law, and is making preparations to seat himself on the gudgeon by force of arms. The authorities, as recent events would show, are thoroughly on the alert, and have despatched a strong police force to keep the peace.

MAJOR IMPEY.—The *Hurkaru* has heard that in connection with the appointments in Rajpootana, Major E. C. Impey has been appointed agent at Jodhpore. Colonel Seymour Blane will revert to his old appointment as military secretary to the Viceroy. A better appointment than that of Major Impey could not have been made. Few officers know Central India and its politics better than he does.—*Hurkaru*.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 7. Industry, Linnell, Liverpool.—9. Ravensbourne, Richardson, Melbourne.—10. Comorin, Home, Liverpool; Trevelyan, Gooch, London; Port de Bordeaux, Auger, Pondicherry; Talavera, Harrington, Colombo; Samatra, Fletcher, Liverpool; Star of Erin, Ewing, London; Gustave and Louis, Borneo, Pondicherry; Abercrombie, Cole, Mauritius; R. H. Tucker, Clark, Akyab; Camperdown, Thomas, Colombo; Robinson Crusoe, Darlington, London; Star, Scotia, London; City of Madras, —, London.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Talavera.—Mrs. Harrington.
Per Trevelyan.—Mr. Jackson, Mrs. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs.

Parsons and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Woodroffe and Master Woodroffe, Capt. Carlisle, 90th Regt., Mr. Luymus, Kempton, Serg. McKenna, 90th Regt., wife and child.
Per Robinson Crusoe—Mr. and Mrs. Karly and child, Mr. and Mrs. Glasgow and child, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Crowe, Miss Reid, Mr. Hallier, Mr. Nurrill, Mr. Lyson.

DEPARTURES.

April 4. Sindbad, Mayaram Dayaram.—5. str. Burmah, Royal Sovereign, Impulse.—6. Carlisle, Bosphorus.—7. Durham, Esquimaux.—10. Mail str. Golconda, —, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Burmah.—Mrs. Fosberry and four children, Mrs. Cuffe, Maj. Thomson, Mr. U. Graf, Capt. Fosberry, Mrs. Atkinson and three children, Mrs. Juliette Pinault, Mr. Homan, Mrs. Homan and three children, Mr. Macrae, Mrs. Macrae, Mr. Higgs, Mrs. Higgs, Col. Chamberlain, Mons. Courjon, Madame Courjon, Mr. Newton, Mrs. Newton and four children, Mr. Robinson, Mrs. Robinson and three children, Mrs. Chamberlain and child, Mrs. Young and two children, Mrs. Gilchrist and child, Mr. Seidler.

Per str. Golconda.—For MADRAS.—Mr. and Mrs. Belli, three Misses Gobbett, Capt. Fowke, Mrs. Beans and infant. For GALLE.—Mr. and Mrs. Clarke, Mr. Kinchant, Capt. and Mrs. Boddam and three children, Mr. Le Mesurier, Mr. Dalzell, Capt. Carew. For MELBOURNE.—Mr. Von Walstab and family. For BOMBAY.—Mr. and Mrs. Anderson and infant, Mr. Howes. For SUZ.—Mr. Smith, Mr. H. Terry and infant. For MARSEILLE.—Mrs. Gilson, Capt. Rogers, Mr. Chisholm, Miss Russell, Mrs. Dove, Col. and Mrs. Trowers, Mr. Newnham, Col. Bright, Mr. F. M. Lind, Capt. and Mrs. Wright. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Behrenda, Rev. Mr. Stubbs, Mr. Arther, Mr. D. Mitchell, Mr. Stokoe, Mr. J. Walker, Mr. Hathaway, Mr. Allan, Mr. J. Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. Chase and family, Mr. J. Bright and family, Mr. Stewart and family, Maj. and Mrs. Swiney and child, Mrs. Chalmers and two children, Mrs. Bushell, Col. and Mrs. Maisey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cockerell and infant.

VESSELS SPOKEN.

By Queen of Australia.—City of Perth, off Ceylon.
By Coleroon.—March 13, King Arthur.
By Industry.—Peppino, from Glasgow to Calcutta, 98 days out, in lat. 4-28 N., long. 85-20 E. Gradelvan, from London to Calcutta, in lat. 6 N., long. 85-54 E.
By Robinson Crusoe.—Victoria Cross, from Liverpool for Calcutta, in lat. 31-51 S., long. 13-25 W. Crystalline, from Liverpool for Calcutta, in lat. 32-46 S., 13-23 W.
By Camperdown.—Startling, off Basses, on the 24th March, from Liverpool for Calcutta, 15 days out.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, April 10, 1865.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price
4 per Cent., Sa.	Sa. Rs. 89	88 12 to 89 6
Do. Transfer Stock.	Sa. Rs. 90	...
4 per Cent.	Co.'s Rs. 94½	89 8 to 91 0
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co.'s Rs. 100	8 8 to 8 10 pm.
5½ per Cent.	Co.'s Rs. 100	102 8 to 102 14
5 per cent., 56-57.	Co.'s Rs. 100	101 8 to 101 12

EXCHANGE.

	On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight	2 0½ to 2 0 9-16
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight	2 0½ to 2 0 9-16
Bills with Docs.	at 6 months' sight	2 0½
Bank Post Bills	at 1 months' sight	2 0 to 3 0½

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paid-up.	Quoted at
Ra. each.	Ra.	Ra.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	1300 to 1310
Alliance Tea Company	85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	200	510 to 525
Balasun Tea Company	100	185 to 140
Bank of Bengal	1000	1937½
Do. Interest bearing	4000	7900 to 8200
Beerbhoom Coal Company	1000	840 to 845
Do. Ditto	200	Nom. to 175
Bengal Coal Company	1000	1100 to 1105
Bengal Printing Company	100	15 to 10 dis.
Bengal River Company	1000	675 to 700
Do. Ditto	500	837 to 340
Bengal Tea Company	100	165
Do. Ditto new paid-up	100	183
Bengal Oil Company	250	par Nominal
Bengal Credit Mobilier (Lim.)	100	120 to 125 pm.
Bishnauth Tea Company	200	253
Do. Ditto, contributory	10	3 to 4 pm.
Bonded Warehouse Association	445	650 to 660
Borokai Tea Company (Limited)	25	par
British India Tea	80	par
Brunton's Press Company (Limited)	50	2 to 3 pm.
Burdwan Stone Company	100	75 to 80
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	185
Do. Ditto (Contributory)	115	15 to 16 dis.
Cachar Tea Company	600	725 to 730
Do. Ditto	450	50 to 55 pm.
Calcutta Docking Company	700	1350 to 1365
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	575
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	52	53
Central Assam Tea Company	100	101
Central Cachar Tea Company	300	275 to 240
Do. Ditto, new shares	200	260 to 262
Chattahar Tea Company	25	5 to 10 dis.
Commercial Transport Association	100	par
Dehra Doon Tea Company	100	90 to 92
Delhi Bank Corporation	500	710
Dooh Teria Tea Company	100	96 to 97
Dooh Teria Tea Company (Limited)	100	96 to 97
Durrang Tea Company	45	5 dis.
E. B. Indigo Company	100	75 to 80
East India Coal Company	100	30 to 33
East India Railway Company	218	216
East India Tea Company	100	116 to 118
Do. Ditto, contributory	80	12 to 13 pm.
Eastern Bengal Tea Company	50	55 to 56

Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	125 to 130
Do. Ditto, contributory	85	20 to 22 pm.
Eastern Bengal Railway Company	218	216 to 215
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000	1325
Eastman and Company	550	220 to 225
Equitable Coal Company	250	215 Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	500	Nominal
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	250 to 253
Gula Ghaut Tea Company	250	388
Do. Ditto new shares	250	272 to 275
Goswery Cotton Mills	85	13 to 15 dis.
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	309
Hooghly Steam Tug Company	1000	1200
Hooghly Lighter Association	80	10 to 15 dis.
Hope Town Tea Association	100	105
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	105
Howrah Docking Company	535	553
Hunter and Company	250	200 to 220
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	800
Jorehaut Tea Company	200	745 to 760
Kunchunpore Tea Company	100	250
Do. Ditto, contributory	125	20 to 25 pm.
Kurseong and Darjeeling Tea Co.	250	245 to 249
Do. Ditto, contributory	125	3 to 5 dis.
Landing Shipping	100	20 to 25 dis.
Leibong and Minchou Tea Company	65	par to 5 pm.
Loctv. Cotton Screw Company	25	par
Lower Assam Tea Company	35	par
Luckimpore Tea Company	155	50 to 55 pm.
Monacherra Tea Company	60	par
Moran Tea Company (Limited)	70	13 to 14 pm.
Muttuck Tea Company	50	par
Mutual Tea Company	100	122
Do. Ditto, contributory	70	16 to 18 pm.
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	330
New Fort Gloster Company	600	1400 to 1450
North-West Indigo Company	100	70 to 75
North-West Screwing Company	50	par
Oriental Gas Company	£1	12½ to 13
Peoples Bank of India	100	75 to 80
Port Canning Land Company	1000	\$200
Punjab Bank	100	120 to 122
Punjab Trading	75	10 pm.
Puokabarre Tea Company	100	100 duli
Do. Ditto	37	par Nominal
Ramghur Tea Company	100	par
Do. Ditto	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	148
R. Scott Thomson and Company	495	495
Screwing Company (Limited)	200	185
Sea Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.
Sechisauror Tea Company	100	82
Simla Club	500	650 to 655
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Soom Tea Company	80	12 to 15 pm.
Soorisore Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1510
Do. Ditto	750	450 to 480 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100	78 to 80
Spence's Hotel Company	250	230
Strand Pressing Company (Limited)	62½	9 to 10 pm.
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	200	150 to 165
Tirhoot Indigo	200	200 to 202
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	200 to 205
Do. Ditto, contributory	70	par
Union Steam Tug Company	250	22½ Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	160	180 to 182
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to 249
Do. Ditto, contributory	190	14 to 16 dis.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
Saltpetre	£1 12 6 to 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0
Sugar	Nominal.	1 10 0 0 0 0
Rice	do.	Nominal.
Seeds	2 12 6 to 0 0 0	2 7 6 0 0 0
Jute	2 13 6 to 0 0 0	2 10 0 2 11 3
Cotton	0 0 0 0 0 0	8 10 0 0 0 0

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE MHOW SCANDAL.—A letter from Mhow, dated April 2nd, and addressed to the *Madras Athenæum*, gives some further particulars of the affair in the 15th N. I. A few weeks ago, on the 11th January last, the Mhow force was ordered out for brigade exercise to a village called Hussora, a few miles distant from camp. Whilst the troops were advancing in line, a gallant commandant of an equally gallant native Infantry corps, determining that although there was no glory to be gained, the parade should not pass without bloodshed, suddenly made a violent charge from the rear on a wretched sepoy, and for some imaginary fault, first cut him over the shoulder with his sword, and then, to the astonishment of Ram Buxus, also gave him the point in the back, saying at the same time that he wished his sword was sharp enough to cut the unfortunate man in two; also using a word which, I fear, if written would shock your readers. On the return of the troops to camp, the man who had been so hardly used was obliged to go into hospital from the effects of the wound received from the point of his commanding officer's sword. On another occasion, the 25th of January, when the brigade was out for the same purpose as on the 4th, the

commandant was not inclined to let well alone. A captain in the corps, who was in the act of dressing coverers for some formation, took some time in getting them into a proper line; and the commandant, instead of remonstrating with him quietly, rode up and used the most intemperate and violent language towards him, so that he was overheard by several officers of another regiment that was on the right. A few days after, this officer applied (being only attached and not belonging to the corps) to be transferred to the other Native Infantry regiment quartered in Mhow, for reasons which he said he did not wish to give publicly, unless he was actually forced to state; that he had several times previously witnessed his commanding officer's intemperate conduct, and especially on two late occasions, which had become a common subject of station gossip, and in one of which he was the sufferer. The commandant, when he found the cutting and stabbing of the sepoy was coming against him, pretended entire ignorance of the whole affair,—was, of course, astonished to hear that such a story was the common subject of conversation in camp, and wondered with exceeding wonder how he had not heard anything of such a gross fabrication. He therefore despatched his adjutant immediately to suspend the captain. The matter, I understand, went on to the brigade authorities, and the officer commanding the station (the general being absent on a tour of inspection) ordered the captain to withdraw his statements and apologise to the commandant; but that officer not feeling inclined to acknowledge himself a perverter of the truth, respectfully declined to comply, for which he was ordered under arrest. After having been suspended about three weeks, a Court of Inquiry assembled to investigate the case, and after having heard some evidence, all of which, I may say, was in favour of the junior officer, it adjourned on account of some of the witnesses, officers in a distinguished Highland corps, being absent, their regiment having left Mhow. The evidence of these officers being written for, and obtained, the court re-assembled, and their statements are read in the presence of the commandant and the captain, and from what has oozed out I learn that this evidence is of so conclusive a nature that it entirely exempts the junior officer from any charge of untruth, while it literally condemns the senior. How, then, can you account for the former being still allowed to remain under arrest and suffer pecuniary loss therefrom, whilst the real offender is permitted to roam at large?

EPISODE IN ELEPHANT HUNTING.—Information has reached us that two gentlemen, Messrs. Thompson and Linton, whilst out elephant shooting in the neighbourhood of Cholady, South-East Wynaad, came upon a "rogue," when Mr. Thompson fired and wounded him in the head. The brute now turned and charged, seizing Mr. Linton by his belt. This fortunately gave way, but not before Mr. Linton was elevated considerably in the air, from which position he fell with great force. The elephant next tried to crush Mr. Linton with his feet, in which attempt he seems to have been frustrated by the blood from the wound running over his eyes and blinding him, so that Mr. Linton had an opportunity of making his escape—a very providential one. —*Madras Times*.

THE 4TH REGIMENT N. I.—We continue to receive unfavourable accounts of the health of this regiment, now on the march to Secunderabad. Colonel Brine, the commandant, was attacked by cholera, and happily recovered, but it is confidently stated that at least one subaltern, in addition to Lieutenant Young, has fallen a victim to that disease. Until we have positive evidence of this alleged casualty, it is well not to mention the name of the officer whose death is announced. —*Madras Times*.

COMMERCIAL PROSPECTS IN MADRAS.—The *Athenæum* and *Daily News* of the 14th says:—"Our commercial intelligence, we regret to say, is but of a gloomy character. The sudden receipt of advice from Europe of a fall in the value of cotton, and the daily telegrams announcing further decline in the value of that staple, have materially affected our market, and business within the fortnight has been brought completely to a stand still. The exporters of cotton must suffer a very heavy loss, considering that Rs. 380 was about the ruling price here in July, August, and September last, and that the price now realised would hardly get five pence per pound, or about Rs. 100 per candy. Already we hear sinister rumours of serious losses, and the prospect of what is to follow looks very discouraging. Local native dealers will also suffer severely, and in the absence of demand for their stocks by others they are shipping freely on their own account. Cotton cost the present holders about Rs. 250 per candy, and there is now no demand for it even at Rs. 100! Produce of other kinds is scarce, and prices are fully maintained. It is impossible to effect sales of cotton fabrics at present, for the fact is that no one has confidence in the stability of the market, and prices are constantly giving way. In the absence of speculators money is accumulating, and the rates of interest are falling. Last week the directors of the Bank of Madras reduced their previous rates two per cent. all round. The value of Government Securities and Bank shares has improved this week. We fear that the whole of this month will prove a season of great trial to merchants and dealers, more particularly to those who shipped cotton extensively within the last nine months."

STOCK AND SHARE MARKET.—On the 28th ult. the Bank of Madras reduced its rates of discount and interest one per cent., and on the 4th inst. the directors announced a further reduction of two per cent. all round. Loans are now granted on the deposit of Government securities at the rate of 8 per cent., and money is increasingly plentiful. There has been an active inquiry for Government securities since the publication of the financial statement of the Government of India, and considerable purchases have been made at improving rates. We now quote 5½ per Cents. at 112, 5 per Cents. at 103 to 103½, and 4 per Cents. at 92. A margin of fully 2 per cent. is visible between the rate ruling here for 5½ per Cent. stock and that advised from Calcutta. Bank of Madras shares have also participated in the beneficial influence of the improved state of the money market, and there have been large purchases at prices ranging from Rs. 85 to Rs. 105 per cent. premium during the fortnight. These securities are now firmly held for 108 per cent. premium.

THE MADRAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE BUDGET.—The *Athenæum* and *Statesman* of the 14th says:—"We have learned that the Madras Chamber of Commerce had a meeting on Wednesday last, when it was resolved to memorialise Government against the imposition of the new duties proposed by Sir Charles Trevelyan in his Budget; but we are not yet aware whether they have any definite suggestions to offer, as to what other expedients he should have recourse to, to make up in part the deficiency caused by the expiration of the Income-tax."

A LEGAL BRIGADIER-GENERAL.—We see it reported that Brigadier-general Shubrick, commanding at Kamptee, will not allow any of the officers under his command to be summoned before the Cantonment Joint Magistrate's Court, which is also the Small Cause Court for Kamptee. In most of the stations in the North-West Provinces Courts of Requests have been abolished where there are Courts of Small Causes. The Brigadier-general argues that Courts of Request were established by Act of Parliament, and therefore a similar Act is necessary for their abolition.

COURT MARTIAL.—According to the *Central India Times*, a court of inquiry, of which Colonel Halliday, 12th Regiment N.I., is president, has been sitting at Kamptee, to investigate charges of a social character, made against Captain Deacon, Paymaster of the Royal Regiment.

EXHIBITION AT NAGPORE.—We are informed that it has been proposed by the chief commissioner to have an Exhibition, rural and industrial, at Nagpore, in December or January next, and Government have promised to give Rs. 20,000 towards it, on condition that an equal sum is raised locally.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 31. H.M.S. Tubal Cain, —, Rangoon; Cheviot, Henderson, London.—April 3. Anevoa, Western, Aden.—6. H.M. str. Arracan, Rangoon; str. Arabia, Calcutta.—7. str. Moulmein, Calcutta.—8. Gallant Neill, Negapatam; Woodbine, Galle.—9. Indemnity, Colombo; Eastern Empire, Mauritius; Edmundsbury, Natal and Galle; George, Coconada.—10. str. Cashmere, Bombay and Southern Ports; Glenfalloch, Liverpool.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per H.M.S. Tubal Cain.—Major Clephane, Capt. Macleod, Lieut.-col. Yates, Lieut. Blenkin and Hallett, Dr. Smith, Mrs. Yates, Mrs. Clephane, Mrs. Kerridge and two children. Per str. Madras.—Col. Dale, Dr. Cooper, Lieut. Wood, Godfrey, Campbell, and Temple, Lieut. Craig, Mrs. Johnston and son. Per Cheviot.—The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Welsh and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, Master Reynolds, and two children, Mr. H. F. W. Richardson, the Rev. Mr. J. Peit.

DEPARTURES.

March 31. Helen Wallace, Stanton, Liverpool.—April 3. Camperdown, Thomas, Calcutta.—5. Enchantress, Pittendrick, London.—8. Unicorn, Singapore.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Helen Wallace.—Mr. T. Stanton, Miss Maggio, Mr. R. Maxwell's child.

COMMERCIAL.

Madras, April 13, 1865.

BANK OF MADRAS.

Interest on Loans on deposit of Govt. Securities...	8 per ct.
On Cash Credits on do. (subject to commission of ½ per cent. on the sum granted) on amount drawn	8 per ct.
Discount on Government Bills	9 per ct.
Ditto on Private Bills, at or within 3 months...	10 per ct.
Loans on deposit of Government paper...	9 per ct.

EXCHANGES.

Document Bills, at 6 months' sight	2 0½
Credit to 6 months	2 0½
Agents' Bills on England, at 6 months	3 0
" " at 3 months	1 1½
" " at 1 month	1 1½
" " at sight	1 1½
H.M.'s Treasury Bills	None.
Bank of England Post Bills	None.
Mauritius Government Bills	Nominal.
Ceylon ditto	"
Court of Directors' Bill on the Government of Bengal, 30 days' sight	None.
Agents' Bills on Calcutta, 30 days	2-3 per ct. dis.
Ditto on Bombay	1 per ct. dis.

RATES OF ADVANCE.

On Govt. 5½ per cent. Promissory Notes	100 per ct.
Ditto 5 ditto ditto	95 per ct.
Ditto 4½ ditto ditto	90 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Stock Receipts	80 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Promissory Notes Sica	85 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto Company's	85 per ct.
Ditto 3½ ditto ditto	— per ct.
On Tanjore ditto ditto	98 per ct.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

5½ per cent. Loan	1859	12 pm
5 per cent. ditto	1856-57	3 to 3½ pm
4 per cent. ditto	1832-33	
Ditto	1835-36	
Ditto	1842-43	8 dis
Ditto	1851-55	
5 per cent. Transferable Book Debt		No transaction.
Tanjore Bonds		4 per ct. dis.
Bank of Madras Shares		105 to 108 p.c. pm.

PRICE OF BULLION.

Sovereigns ————— each Rs. 10-3-6

FREIGHTS.

London and Liverpool.—Indigo, Hides and Skins, £2. 15s. 0d. to £3; Cotton, £2. 15s. to £3. 5s.; Seeds, £3. 5s.; Coffee, £3. 10s.

EXPORTS.—The dealers have at last credited the news that has suddenly stopped the operations of merchants, and have gradually reduced their demands from Rs. 200 to Rs. 150 per candy for far Western and purchases to some extent, it is believed, can now be effected at Rs. 120. The accumulations of Cotton are already very large, and the dealers are still bringing in fresh supplies from up-country. The shipments from this port during the first three months were 32,256 cwt. in 1862, 57,978 in 1863, 65,702 in 1864, and 89,214 in 1865; and

15,79,916 acres are now under Cotton cultivation in this Presidency, against 15,57,535 acres at the same date last year. Shipments of Indigo continue to be made to Suez on native account, and high rates are demanded for good samples, but we hear of no operations on European account.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NATURE AT PLAY.—Wondrous births and growths are frequently reported in Scinde. The other day we mentioned the birth of a monster; we now hear of that of twin-calves, both females, and that the pair are doing well. Then there is a story of five *nim* trees (*Azadirachta Indica*), which constantly exude a liquor resembling *toddy* in colour, but of a most abominable smell; it is rather sweet to the taste; this liquor exudes from orifices about ten feet above the roots of the trees, three of which have now been at work for upwards of two months, the other two having been in operation for a month only. When the liquor is put into a bottle and corked up its effervescing power is so great that it forces out the cork; it makes capital yeast, as was found by having some flour kneaded with it into a loaf which turned out well; but the smell was so bad that it spoilt the bread; the loaf was given to a dog to see whether there was anything poisonous about the *nim* juice, and it produced no bad effect.

CABOOL.—Hostilities have already commenced in Toorkistan. Abdalrahman Khan, the son of Afzul Khan, has come down to Ukcha, and laid siege to the place. The Ameer's commander has shut himself up, being unable to give battle. The King of Bokhara has mixed himself conspicuously in the matter. Auzim Khan is also giving trouble. The people of Cabool are in great apprehension, and the Ameer has been endeavouring to restore confidence. The means resorted to by him for the purpose are highly characteristic. The Ameer sent for Meer Syud Jan, merchant, and addressed him thus: "What a foolish set of men you are; at the slightest rumour of disturbance you begin removing your goods and suspend business. Please persuade all the shopkeepers to carry on their business as usual, or I will pass an order confiscating all their property." "It is not surprising if the men do secure their goods and make such arrangements as they think proper," replied Syud Jan, "when the Ameer's two brothers, Sirdars Mahomed Ameen Khan and Mahomed Auzim Khan, are close to Cabool. Besides, when there are no gates or fortifications to the city," continued Syud Jan, "what would the Ameer do if we were suddenly attacked. I will, however, inform every one of the Ameer's order, and reassure them as much as lies in my power." Everything in Cabool is sold at famine prices. Wheat-flour, one and three-quarter Cabool seers, barley two and half seers to the rupee; firewood and grass eight rupees per ass-load; other things in the same proportion.

MONTGOMERY MEMORIAL HALL.—Subscriptions for the purpose of erecting a memorial hall in honour of Sir Robert Montgomery, late Lieutenant-governor of the Punjab, have been realised to the extent of upwards of seventy thousand rupees, and the sum of one lac, it is expected, will eventually be reached. The form which the memorial is to take is not yet decided, the present idea being that of a *banqueting-hall*!

PRESENTS TO CASHMERE.—The *Lahore Chronicle* states that his Excellency Sir Hugh Rose, on the eve of his departure from India, forwarded a magnificent present, consisting of costly Japanese cabinets, which he has requested Mr. Cooper, Commissioner of the Lahore Division, to forward, with his Excellency's parting good wishes, to his Highness the Maharajah of Cashmere—in memory of many courtly and hospitable attentions received during a tour through his Highness's dominions.



Official Gazette.

BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Home Dept., Fort William, March 22.—No. 2,762a. —Notifications.—Mr. H. D. Willock, of the civil service, is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl. for a period of 3 years, from the date of embarkation.

March 28.—No. 2,815.—The services of the Rev. E. Godfrey, chaplain of Jubbulpore, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the Punjab.

No. 2,816.—Rev. C. W. Cahusac, chaplain of Jhansi, is app. chaplain of Jubbulpore, in the Central Provinces.

No. 2,905.—Hon. F. B. Kemp, a puisne judge of the High Court, availed himself, on the 22nd inst., of the leave granted to him on Dec. 14 last.

No. 2,906.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the undermentioned junior civil servant, transferred from the North-Western Provinces for service in Oude, with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 2nd class, described in Section 22 of Act XXV. of 1864 :—

Mr. A. F. Millett, offic. 3rd class asst. comsnt., Oonao.

No. 2,908.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to grant a licence to the Rev. J. Dawson, minister of the Free Church of Scotland, to solemnise marriages within the Central Provinces.

March 30.—No. 2,910.—The Gov. gen. in Council has been pleased to nominate Lieut. col. F. J. Goldsmid, Madras staff corps, to be superint. of the Indo-European Telegraph, v. Lieut. col. P. Stewart, dec.

No. 2,914.—Lieut. E. B. Ward, district supt. of police, Hurdul, has obtained 1 mo. leave from the 2nd inst., prep. to applying for sick leave to Eur.

No. 2,918.—Mr. D. F. Lonsdale, appd. an asst. comr. in British Burmah, is invested with the powers of a subordinate mag., 1st class, as described in sec. 22 of Act XXV. of 1861.

No. 2,920.—Messrs. E. J. Connor and J. W. Macdougall are appd. 3rd class sub assts. in the Great Trigonometrical Survey, with effect from 1st inst.

No. 2,922.—Leave of abs. on m.c. for a period of 11 mo. and 28 days is granted to the Hon. R. N. Cust, of the Bengal C.S.

March 28.—No. 141.—The following order issued by the officer comdg. Central India horse, dated 3rd inst., is confirmed by the Gov. gen. in Council :— Capt. F. P. Luard, offic. 2nd squadron officer, 1st corps, to offic. as 2nd in command of that corps, in addition to his other duties, pending the return of Capt. C. James from sick leave, or till further orders.

March 31.—ERRATUM.—No. 284.—In G.O. No. 224, dated 13th instant, for "March 7," read "March 8."

March 28.—No. 731.—Lieuts. D. W. Loughton and A. G. W. Hemans, appd. in G.O. No. 606, dated 16th inst., to be asst. comsrs., 3rd class, in the Berars, joined their appts. respectively Jan. 16 and Feb. 1.

No. 733.—Capt. C. Martin, 2nd in command, 2nd corps, Central India horse, received charge of the office of political asst. at Goona, from Col. H. D. Daly, c.b., on the forenoon of the 1st inst.

Col. H. D. Daly, c.b., assumed charge of the office of political asst. in Western Malwa, on the afternoon of the 3rd idem, from Lieut. E. R. C. Bradford.

March 30.—No. 747.—Lieut. W. Tweedie, offic. 2nd asst. to the resident at Hyderabad, has passed an examination in Persian.

No. 748.—Lieut. W. Tweedie, appd. in G.O. No. 619, dated 16th inst., to offic. as 2nd asst. to the resident at Hyderabad, assumed charge of his duties on the forenoon of the 9th idem.

March 31.—No. 755.—Mr. W. B. Jones, C.S., is appd. to be dep. comr. of the Wurdah dist., in the Central Provinces.

Lieut. A. Bloomfield, asst. comr., Central Provs., is appd. to offic. as dep. comr. of the Wurdah dist., as a temp. arrangement.

NEW DIVISION.

March 25.—No. 109.—It is hereby notified that the 3rd div. Great Northern Road, in the Central

Provs., is abolished, and a new div., to be called the Nerbudda div., is constituted. The Nerbudda div. will form a portion of the Nagpoor circle.

Capt. A. G. Priestley, S.C., is appd. exec. engr. of the Nerbudda div.

March 27.—No. 110.—Mr. W. McCracken, acct., 4th grade, Mysore, was granted 1 mo. priv. leave, with effect from March 13.

March 28.—No. 111.—Major J. C. Dickson, of the late 33rd N.I., is re-appd. tempy. to the public works dept. as an exec. engr. of the 4th class, and posted to Bengal.

No. 112.—The arrangement notified in public works dept. notification No. 30 of 1865, whereby Capt. W. S. Oliphant, R.E., asst. to chief engr. and asst. sec. to chief comr., British Burmah, is offic. tempy. as chief engr., 3rd class, and sec. to the chief comr., is confirmed as permanent during the abs. on leave of Capt. C. D. Newmarch, R.E.

No. 113.—Capt. L. Russell, R.E., exec. engr., 1st class, N.W.P., is appd. to offic. as supng. engr., 2nd class, and posted to Bengal, v. Colonel Maxwell.

No. 114.—Mr. A. C. Creegan, asst. engr., 1st grade, Punjab, passed the exam. in Hindoostanee on Jan. 26.

No. 115.—Major R. H. Sankey, R.E., exec. engr., 1st class, and asst. to chief engr., Mysore, has 3 mo. priv. leave from March 24.

No. 117.—Capt. A. S. Griffiths, Bombay staff corps, prob. asst. engr., Rajpootana circle, is prom. to asst. engr., 2nd grade, with effect from Jan. 18.

March 29.—No. 120.—The underment. 2nd class supng. engr. are appd. to offic. as supng. engr. of the 1st class :—

Major H. W. Gulliver, R.E., supng. engr., Western Circle of Irrigation Works, Punjab.

Major J. G. R. Forlong, M.S.C., supng. engr., 3rd circle, N.W.P.

Capt. F. W. Peile, R.E., supng. engr., 1st circle, N.W.P.

Capt. C. Pollard, R.E., supng. engr., Rajpootana circle.

Mr. T. W. Armstrong, C.E., superintg. engr., Cuttack circle.

No. 121.—Mr. G. Kilgour, asst. engr., 1st grade, Punjab, having been permitted by the Sec. of State to resign his appt. in the public works dept., is struck off the strength of the public works estab. from Feb. 9.

ERRATA.—No. 122.—In public works notification No. 100 of March 22, for "Punjab" substitute N.W.P.; and in notification No. 104 of March 23, expunge the words "on furlough."

March 30.—No. 123.—Maj. H. A. Brownlow, R.E., exec. engr., 1st grade, N.W.P. (lately rejoined from furl.) is prom. to be superintg. engr., 2nd class, and posted to the N.W.P. for employment in the irrigation dept.

No. 124.—Lieut. W. Shepherd, R.E., asst. engr., 2nd grade, is transf. from the N.W.P. to the Punjab.

No. 125.—Mr. H. Adams, asst. engr., 2nd grade, Oude, passed the examination in Hindoostani Jan. 9.

REGIMENTAL SERGEANT-MAJORS.

March 27.—No. 318.—The following Royal Warrant of Jan. 7, is published for general information, and under the authority of the Rt. Hon. the Secretary of State from India, the same is declared applicable to India, with effect from Jan. 1 last :—

Whereas it has been represented to us that it is expedient to improve the position of regimental sergeant-majors of regiments and battalions of our infantry of the line, our will and pleasure is that the pay of such sergeant-majors shall, from the first day of January, 1865, be raised from three shillings and two pence to three shillings and four pence a-day.

Given at our Court at St. James's, this 7th day of January, 1865, in the twenty-eighth year of our reign.

By her Majesty's command.

(Signed) DE GREY AND RIFON.

March 28.—No. 319.—Maj. J. Shand, of the late 51st regt. Madras N.I., is permitted, at his own request, to resign his appointment of doing duty officer in the 1st inf. Hyderabad contingent, and his services are accordingly placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Fort St. George.

No. 320.—Appointments :—

Hyderabad Contingent.

1st Inf.—Lieut. E. W. Shaw, paid doing duty officer and offic. adj., 5th inf., to be paid doing duty officer, v. Maj. Shand, resigned.

5th Inf.—Capt. A. Drury, offic. doing duty officer, 4th inf., to be paid doing duty officer, v. Lieut.

Shaw, transf. to the 1st inf., but to continue to do duty with the 4th inf. until further orders.

3rd Inf.—Lieut. A. F. Dobbs, offic. doing duty officer, to be paid doing duty officer, v. Lieut. Barnett, who vacates the appointment, having obtained an extension of leave beyond the prescribed period.

No. 321.—The services of the undermentioned medical officers are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal, with effect from Jan. 3 last :—

Surg. J. C. Bow, M.D., garrison surg. of Chunar. Asst. surg. B. W. Switzer, F.R.C.S.I.

No. 322.—The undermentioned officers are permitted to proceed to Europe on leave on m.c. :—

Maj. G. Weld, of the Bengal staff corps, fort adj., Chunar, for 20 mo.

Capt. H. D. Marsh, of H.M.'s 82nd foot, brigade major, Umballa, for 20 mo., under the new regulations.

No. 323.—The following orders issued by the Resident at Hyderabad are confirmed :—

No. 43, dated March 8.—Granting Lieut. R. F. Doig, paid doing duty officer, 2nd inf. Hyderabad contingent, 2 mo. leave on m.c., in ext.

No. 44, dated March 11.—The services of Lieut. W. Tweedie, adj., 1st cav. Hyderabad contingent, are made available for civil duty in the Hyderabad Residency from the 8th inst.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

March 16.—Appointments :—

Dr. B. W. Switzer to offic. as civil asst. surg. of Jessore.

March 25.—Mr. A. C. Bolst offic. as dist. superint. of police of Durrung from Sept. 22 to Nov. 30.

March 27.—Mr. W. H. D'Oyly to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Moorshedabad.

Mr. F. J. Cockburn, offic. judge of Dacca, is vested with the powers of a special comisar. under Regulation III. of 1828, as described in notification of April 15, 1852, published in the *Calcutta Gazette* of the 21st idem.

The following appointments are made subject to the orders of the Secretary of State for India in regard to the retention of the appointment of agent for transports, viz. :—

Capt. S. G. Boon to be 2nd asst. master attendant, and agent for transports.

Capt. A. Baker to be 3rd asst. master attendant, and agent for Govt. consignments.

Lieut. H. Sconce to be extra asst. master attendant.

Messrs. C. D. Field and J. O'Kinealy to be members of the local committee of public instruction at Jessore.

March 29.—Mr. H. Blochmann, M.A., to be an asst. professor in the Calcutta Mudressa.

April 1.—Mr. J. Mackenzie secy. to the income-tax commission, to be coll. of stamps in Calcutta, and superint. of Abkary revenue, in Calcutta, 24-Pergunnahs, and Hooghly, as far as the Sulkeah Thannah, in addition to the duties of his present office, with effect from the date on which he may have assumed charge from Mr. Hampton.

April 4.—Lord H. Ulrick Browne to offic. as mag. and coll. of Nuddea.

Mr. W. Cornell to offic. as mag. and dep. coll. of Howrah.

Mr. A. J. R. Bainbridge to be a mag. and coll. of the 2nd grade, and to offic. as mag. and coll. of the 24-Pergunnahs.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR, N.W.P.

March 14.—No. 227a.—Maj. F. W. Baugh, dep. conservator, and Mr. R. Thompson, asst. conservator of forests in Kumaon and Gurhwal, exercising the powers of subord. mag. of the 1st class, are invested with authority to be exercised within the limits of their jurisdiction to receive and try, without reference by the mag., all such charges as they are now competent to try upon reference by the mag.

March 16.—No. 883a.—One mo. priv. leave of absence has been granted to the Rev. J. J. Carshore, D.D., chaplain of Agra, with effect from the date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 886a.—The 2 mo. priv. leave of absence granted to Mr. A. Markham, asst. mag. and coll. at Bareilly, is hereby cane.

No. 888a.—Two mo. priv. leave is granted to Mr. B. Hardinge, joint mag. and dep. coll. of Bareilly, with effect from April 15 next.

No. 895a.—The services of Asst. surg. H. C. Cutcliffe, F.R.C.S., civil asst. surg. of Deyrah Dhoon, are placed at disposal of the Govt. of India, in the military dept.

No. 896a.—Dr. Cutcliffe will make over charge of the civil medical duties of Deyrah to the asst.

To Correspondents.

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ALLEN'S INDIAN MAIL,

MONDAY, May 15, 1865.

THE INDIAN BUDGET IN A BAD WAY.

THE Budget of Sir Charles Trevelyan, which was to have been taken for better or worse, according to general anticipation, has received a heavy blow and great discouragement at the hands of the Home Government. Since our last publication, Sir Charles Wood has announced from his place in Parliament that the new Export Duties and the new Loan will not be allowed to take effect. The Budget, shorn of two of its principal supports, thus falls to pieces, and the surplus, which was its proud result, becomes simply impossible. What Mr. Massey will say to the decision is difficult to anticipate; but it will assuredly prove a hard trial for his maiden attempt to make both ends meet.

It has been the opinion of many of Sir Charles Trevelyan's friends and supporters that he would be likely to fall into the error of unnecessary consistency in sacrificing the Income-tax as a matter of policy—irrespective of ways and means to supply its place. And, remembering the grounds upon which Sir Charles was recalled from Madras, it is impossible for the suggestion not to arise that his strong antipathy to the tax as a question of principle may have blinded him to its merits as a question of expediency. That Sir Charles was right in his original condemnation of the measure was proved by subsequent events—albeit that it was not his business, as a subordinate Governor, to publish his opinions to the world. But it was equally certain that, the tax being enforced, and relieved of a great deal of its most vexatious pressure, it was at last tolerably well received, and, with the aid of considerable compromises, worked remarkably well. It did not yield half what it would have yielded if thoroughly enforced; but it brought in a good round sum, and its continuance would have relieved the Exchequer from any present embarrassment, and in fact have enabled the Government to carry on with success pending the development of so many increasing

sources of revenue. Under these circumstances, the opinion seems to have been largely entertained in India that the Income-tax should have been retained for at any rate another year. It is true that it had been imposed only as a special necessity; it is true that its termination had been promised at a particular time. But special necessities are matters for the judgment of authority; and even when a particular time is fixed for relief, there must always be a margin allowed for the exigencies of the occasion. The promise to take off a tax is always understood as contingent upon the revenue being able to bear the loss; and the most punctual fulfilment of such a pledge is no gain to the people if a new and, perhaps, unaccustomed impost be the consequence. In the present case the country had a narrow escape from an increase in the Salt-tax, and it is indeed possible that such will now be the resort, though we will not anticipate so mischievous a measure, opposed as it is to the wishes of the Governor-general himself. His is, however, certain—that the ex-Finance Minister has incurred the charge of gratifying a prejudice at the cost of such an anomalous proceeding as making a reduction of taxation simultaneously with a deficit and an opened loan.

Such a course would be open to strong disapproval if the loan were the only objection. Not, however, that we are inclined to take exception upon this score. Pressing public works for military purposes, for which the loan was principally designed, may well justify a little infliction upon a future generation; and we doubt whether, supposing the Budget to have been otherwise unexceptionable, that this item would have been condemned. But when a deficit is held to be needlessly created, the means taken to meet the requirement are sure to be jealously watched; and so it seems that the loan, in conjunction with the export duties, are more than the Indian Secretary is disposed to suffer. That the export duties were a mistake is admitted by all competent authorities; and as far as the principle is concerned, even Sir Charles Trevelyan himself has made but a mild attempt to defend them. The present prosperity of the country, which he has pictured in such forcible terms, is attributable entirely to the new policy of allowing capital and enterprise fair play—of giving an unrestricted field to the pioneers of progress, who, by increasing the wealth of the people, offer the surest guarantee for the support of the State. Now that the effects of that policy have become so unmistakably a matter of revenue, the most sceptical Government must hold them in respect; and it is to the credit of Sir Charles Wood that he has not allowed official considerations to interfere with the plain duty before him. Sir Charles Trevelyan's

Budget has given satisfaction in India "as a whole"; but in a part it has found scarcely a single defender outside the Council Chamber. That it passed the Council at all is due, doubtless, to the all-powerful support of the Governor-General; and Sir John Lawrence, who was particularly reticent upon the subject of the Income-tax, was of course influenced by practical considerations, which compel a ruler to get revenue upon any terms besides his avowed dislike to an increase of the Salt-tax, which seemed the only alternative.

How Mr. Massey will manage to reconcile conflicting principles, and accommodate circumstances generally so as to bring the finances into favourable form, remains to be seen; but the task before him is not an enviable one, and as far as success is concerned, there is just this chance—that a new head may hit upon some expedient which old heads, it is evident, are unable to perceive.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MAY 8.

EXPORT DUTIES ON INDIAN PRODUCE.

Mr. CAIRD asked the Secretary of State for India whether it was the intention of the Government in India to impose export duties on the more important staples of that country, and whether the home Government approved of that course of policy.

Mr. CRAWFORD likewise asked whether the right hon. baronet had received an official copy of Sir C. Trevelyan's financial statement; and, if so, whether he would lay it upon the table.

Sir C. WOOD said he had not received any official despatches containing an account of the new Indian financial proposals; but he had received private letters communicating the course which the Council of India had taken with respect to those proposals. That course was one which he did not think he would have taken had he been in their place. He had only received those letters yesterday, and as yet he had not had time to fully master their contents. But he quite agreed that the question involved was of the greatest importance, and that it was most desirable the trade of the country should be informed of the determination of the Government on the subject. He had, therefore, collected together as many members of the Council as he could, and he had communicated to them that it would be his duty not to allow of the imposition of these export duties—(cheers).

A LOAN FOR INDIA.

Mr. CRAWFORD asked whether it was the intention of the right hon. bart. the Secretary of State for India to raise a loan for the purposes of the Indian Government.

Sir C. WOOD: it is not my intention to raise any large loan in this country.

THE LUCKNOW BOUNTY.

Sir S. NORTHCOTE asked the Secretary of State for India what was the total amount of the booty taken at the Begum's Coote, Lucknow, in December, 1858; what proportion of that amount was awarded to the troops by whom it was captured; whether the whole amount which was awarded had been distributed; and, if not, when the final distribution might be expected.

Sir C. WOOD said the original prize money derivable upon the capture of Lucknow had been distributed; some time subsequently to the capture, however, an additional sum of

£12,000 had been found, and of that one-fourth had been distributed under the orders of Sir Hope Grant. He was not aware that any further sum remained for distribution.

THE AZEEM JAH PETITIONS COMMITTEE.

On the order of the day for the consideration of the report of the select committee appointed to inquire into the signatures attached to the petitions in favour of the Azeem Jah claims,

Mr. Cox presented a petition from William Morris Mitchell, complaining that he had not been allowed the opportunity of meeting the case which had been brought forward against him, and asserting the untruthfulness of the evidence.

After a debate of some duration, but of little interest, the ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved an adjournment till the following day.—Adjourned.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MAY 9.

OFFICERS OF THE INDIAN ARMY.

Lord PROBY, Comptroller of the Household, appeared at the bar, and read the following reply from the Throne:—

"I have received your address, praying for redress of all such grievances complained of by officers of the Indian army which have arisen from a departure from the regulations of Parliament. I will give directions to inquire into the effect of the measures which have been adopted for this purpose, and, if it should be shown that ample redress has not been afforded I will direct such further steps to be taken as the case may require."

IRRIGATION WORKS IN INDIA.

Mr. LIDDELL asked the Secretary of State for India whether there was any objection to lay upon the table of the House a copy of his own despatch of the 8th of August last, and of the minute of Lieut. Colonel Strachey, late Secretary of Public Works, upon the policy of the Government undertaking the construction of the necessary irrigation works in India in preference to entrusting their construction to private companies.

Sir C. WOOD said he had received the minute alluded to, but had not yet had time to consider it, and it was unusual to lay such documents on the table until they had been duly considered by the Government.

THE AZEEM JAH PETITIONS COMMITTEE.

The adjourned debate on the report of the committee on the signatures to the petitions in favour of the claims of Azeem Jah, Nawab of the Carnatic, was resumed by the ATTORNEY-GENERAL, who said that, having carefully read and weighed the bearings of the evidence, he was satisfied that the inquiry had been conducted with a sincere desire on the part of the committee to do justice to George Morris Mitchell, who was charged with having himself fabricated, and knowingly procured other fabricated signatures to several of the petitions. He suggested, however, that the wisest and simplest course of proceeding would be to adopt the amendment of Lord R. Cecil, to refer the report back to the committee, with an instruction to take the petition of Mitchell, presented on the previous day, into their consideration. After some discussion this suggestion was agreed to.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MAY 11.

THE LAND TENURES OF OUDE.

Lord STANLEY asked the Secretary of State for India whether he had received any recent reports relative to the investigation into the land tenures of Oude; and, if so, whether he was able to state the substance of such reports, or to lay them upon the table.

Sir C. WOOD said he had not received any public documents that could be laid upon the table.

THE TRANSPORT OF TROOPS TO AND FROM INDIA.

Lord STANLEY asked the Secretary of State for India what amount of expenditure it was intended to incur in the establishment of a line of steam transports to convey troops by the overland route; whether all transport of troops to and from India was to take place

hereafter by that line; and, if so, at what seasons of the year, and what use, if any, will be made of the transports during the months not available for the conveyance of troops.

Sir C. WOOD said the question of the transport of troops to India had been under discussion for three or four years past. The Government of India had recommended the overland route as constituting a great gain in point of time alike to the soldier and the Government, and the result of the inquiry had been to prove that by the establishment of a line of transports between Suez and India troops might be conveyed to and from India at a cheaper rate than at present. It was therefore proposed to build five transports of a very large size, at a cost of something under £200,000 each; and under the advice of the Admiralty contracts had been entered into for that purpose. For three-fifths of the year these vessels would be in the employment of the Indian Government, and for the remaining two-fifths in that of the Admiralty. From the beginning of October to the end of March would be the period of year when they would be passing through the Red Sea.

INDIAN TRANSPORT SERVICE.

Mr. A. MILLS asked whether the million of money to be spent in conveying troops from India was to be a charge upon the Indian revenue or upon the home expenditure.

Sir C. WOOD replied that the money was advanced by the Government of India, but the annual charge would fall upon this country and upon India in proportion to the services each required.

HOUSE OF LORDS.—MAY 12.

THE INDIAN ARMY.

Lord BERNERS presented petitions from Captian Barrat, of the Bombay army; from Colonel C. Birdwood, of the Bombay army; from Lieut.-Colonel J. D. Stewart, Bombay army; from Major H. C. Cuppage, of the 15th Regiment Bengal Native Infantry; from Captain S. A. T. Judge, of the 67th Regiment Bengal Infantry; from Lieutenant P. L. Gordon, of the 6th Regiment Madras Cavalry; from Major J. A. Auldjo, of the 36th Regiment Bengal Infantry; from Major G. G. Anderson, of the 15th Regiment Bengal Infantry; from Captain E. P. W. Ripley, of the 1st Punjab Cavalry; from Lieutenant C. M. Smith, of the 32nd Regiment Madras Infantry; and from Veterinary Surgeon Underwood, of the Madras army, complaining of the violation of rights secured to them by Act of Parliament, and humbly praying for redress.

The Marquis of CLANRICARDE presented a similar petition.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MAY 12.

DELHI PRIZE MONEY.

Colonel DUNNE asked the Secretary of State for India why the third instalment of the Delhi prize money had not been paid, according to the recommendation of the Prize Committee, and when it would be paid.

Sir C. WOOD replied that the commissioners had considered the advisability of making a third distribution, but they found that a number of claims had not yet been preferred, and of course if they made the third distribution they would not have had the means of meeting those prior claims. The payment had been suspended only until these outstanding claims had been disposed of.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA.—The directors of the National Bank of India have given notice that they will allot the unissued 10,000 shares of £50 each, of which already 5,000 shares have been subscribed for in Bombay, at £2 premium. The remaining 5,000 shares will be allotted to the existing shareholders at the same premium, at the rate of one new for every two old shares.

THE ISTHMUS OF SUEZ CANAL.—The *Malta Times* states that an inspection of the works of the Suez Maritime Canal, recently opened, has just taken place, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce at Malta. The width of the canal varies at present, according to localities, from about sixteen to fifty-eight metres. Its average depth at present is not more than two to three feet. The company have contracted with various French firms for the completion of the whole of the works from the Mediterranean to the Red Sea by the 1st of July, 1868. The conclusion Mr. Christian, of the Malta Chamber of Commerce, arrives at, after a careful inspection, is, that the completion of the Ship Canal is only a question of time and money. It still, of course, remains an open question how far the canal will be useful to our sailing Indiamen, owing to the prevalent winds in the Red Sea; but that, in a very few years, an uninterrupted water route will be open, and the sea voyage from Europe to India for steamers shortened by fully one-half, there can be little doubt.

IMPORTS OF HEMP AND JUTE.—The quantity of hemp imported into this country last year was 1,010,688 cwts., against 1,067,913 cwts. in 1863, and against 915,807 cwt. in 1862. The chief sources of supply are Russia, Austria, British India, Philippine Islands; and these countries in 1864 furnished us with 540,093 cwts., 157,299 cwts., 75,522 cwts., and 183,943 cwts. respectively—all other places contributing 53,831 cwts. Reviewing the statistics of this article of commerce during the past fifteen years, it cannot be said to have exhibited any marked advance. Of jute and other vegetable substances of like nature the quantity brought into this country last year was 2,047,287 cwts., or 792,682 cwts. in excess of that in 1863, or 1,083,513 cwts. more than in 1862. Twelve years since, when jute was first specified in the official account under a heading distinct from that of hemp, the annual importation did not exceed 275,578 cwts.; the increment has been, therefore, more than sevenfold. Almost the entire supply was brought from India, Singapore, and Ceylon.

UNIVERSAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY.—At the annual meeting on Wednesday of the Universal Life Assurance Society, Mr. J. F. Leath in the chair, the new policies for the year were stated to have been for £268,207, yielding in premiums £10,843. The total of the existing assurances is £2,411,475, the assets are £818,594, and the annual income £137,327. A reduction of 50 per cent. was declared for the current year on all participating premiums. Mr. Osgood Hanbury, Jun., of the firm of Messrs. Barnetts, Hoares, Hanburys, and Lloyd, was elected a director.

THE MAILS, &c.—SOUTHAMPTON, May 12.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamer *Delta*, Captain Babot, sailed hence this afternoon with the mails for Gibraltar, the Mediterranean, Egypt, Aden, Bombay, and Upper Bengal. She took out 22 first and 25 second-class passengers, and on freight a general cargo and five boxes of specie, value £4,485. 10s., of which amount £2,340 in sovereigns and watches, jewellery, and gold thread, value £1,038. 10s., are for Bombay; for Alexandria, sovereigns, £1,000; and for Suez, watches, £107.

THE SURVEY OF NORTH-WESTERN INDIA.—A Royal medal for the encouragement of geographical science and discovery entrusted to the Royal Geographical Society has this year been awarded to Captain Montgomerie for his extensive and elaborate survey of North-western India and the Karakoram range.

MALTA AND ALEXANDRIA TELEGRAPH.—The re-opening of this telegraph, for the transmission of messages, is announced, a telegram having been received from Malta, dated the 13th May, 4.15 p.m., conveying intelligence of the successful completion of the repairs on the interrupted section of the line between Benghazi and Alexandria.

KEW GARDENS—INDIAN PLANTS.—In Sir W. J. Hooker's last report on Kew Gardens it is mentioned that most flourishing accounts of the Chincona plantations continue to arrive from India; in the Neilgherries the plants have been propagated at the rate of 30,000 to 40,000 monthly. In Ceylon there were in September 190,000 plants, the tallest six feet high; and it was expected to issue 20,000 monthly. Steps are being taken to introduce the ipecacuanha into Ceylon and India.

COLONEL WAUGH.—The case of Colonel Waugh, who is undergoing a second bankruptcy before he was well clear of the first, was brought before Mr. Commissioner Goulburn on the 10th inst. The colonel applied to be released from prison, but several of the detaining creditors opposed, and the commissioner refused to interfere in the matter till after the choice of assignees, which is expected to take place on the 27th inst.

CONSULAR APPOINTMENTS.—*Foreign-office, May 11.*—The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Francis Gerhard Myburgh, Esq., now her Majesty's Consul at Nagasaki, to be her Majesty's Consul at Kanagawa; Francis Howard Vyse, Esq., now her Majesty's Consul at Hakodadi, to be her Majesty's Consul at Nagasaki; and Abel A. J. Gower, Esq., to be her Majesty's Consul at Hakodadi. The Queen also has been pleased to approve of Don Juan Pisani as Consul at Gibraltar for his Majesty the Emperor of Mexico.

MILITARY ITEMS.—56th Regiment.—Capt. Gubbins is about to retire from the service, Lieutenant Bolton and Ensign de Mottee purchasing the steps in succession. 72nd Highlanders.—Captain MacNeill is about to retire from the service, Lieutenant Murray succeeding to the vacant company, and Ensign Goad to the lieutenantcy, by purchase. 79th Highlanders.—Lieutenant Hayward is about to retire, Ensign Morley succeeding to the vacant lieutenantcy. 93rd Highlanders.—Lieutenant Greig is about to retire from the service. 95th Regiment.—Lieutenant Fleming has arrived home from India with detachments. 102nd Regiment.—Captain Harcourt has arrived home from India with detachments. 103rd Regiment.—Lieutenant Bridges has arrived home from India with detachments. 105th Regiment.—Ensign Power has arrived home from India with detachments. 106th Regiment.—Lieutenant Heathcote has arrived home from India with detachments.

FAILURE OF MESSRS. HANKEY BROTHERS AND CO.—It was generally known in commercial circles on Friday afternoon that Messrs. Hankey Brothers and Co., merchants, of Liverpool, were in difficulties, but a confident feeling prevailed that, with the assistance of their influential connections, they would have been enabled to make a satisfactory arrangement with their creditors. Owing, however, to the name being made public, there is no longer any hope of such a result. The house was engaged in trade with India and Egypt, and entered extensively into cotton operations. It was established about two years ago, with a capital of £60,000. The liabilities are estimated at £250,000, but a favourable liquidation is expected, although much is said to depend upon the realisation of assets in the East.—*Daily Telegraph.*

The Bishop of Oxford, it is said, is about to send out to India a body of "artisan missionaries."

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 8. Eaglet, Cochín; Dhollerah, Bombay; Bayard, Calcutta; City of Lahore, Calcutta; Echunga, Colombo.—9. Castlemaine, Calcutta; General Caulfield, Madras; Queen of the Avon, Colombo; Victor, Manila; Camaron, Calcutta.—10. John Brenner, Colombo; Snaresbrook, Colombo.—11. Peice, Colombo; Tano, Calcutta; Cospatrik, Bombay; Middlesex, Calcutta.—12. Hampton Court, Manila; Continental, Calcutta; Victoria, Colombo; Matilda, Singapore; Astro-nomer, Calcutta.—14. St. Thomas's Packet, Penang; Cambridge, Ceylon; Rowantree, Bombay.

DEPARTURES.

May 8. Oliver Cromwell, Aden; Evelyn, Bombay; Beeston Castle, Bombay; Topscombe, Calcutta; Royal Adelaide, Bombay.—10. Indian Chief, Galle; River Clyde, Calcutta.—11. Avon, Colombo.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

COMBE.—The wife of Lieut. col. J. J. Combe, Bombay Army, of a daughter, at Compton, May 10.
FORBES.—The wife of Capt. Charles Henry H. Forbes, 14th Bombay N.I., of a son, at the Warrens, Feering, Essex, May 10.
MACNICOL.—The wife of Nicol Macnicol, Esq., of Calcutta, of a son, at 81, Cambridge-terrace, Hyde-park, May 8.
WIGRAM.—The wife of Money Wigram, jun., Esq., of a daughter, at Stanmore, Middlesex, May 7.

MARRIAGES.

ADAMS—CAMPBELL.—Thomas Rutherford Adams, of St. James's-road, Croydon, to Annette Grace, daughter of the late Lieut. col. Sir Edward A. Campbell, C.B., 3rd Bengal Lt. Cav., and granddaughter of the late Sir Robert Campbell, Bart., at St. James's, Piccadilly, May 4.
CAMPBELL—HOGG.—George William Campbell, Esq., son of the late Colin Campbell, Esq., of Colgrain, Dumbartonshire, to Florence, daughter of Sir James Weir Hogg, Bart., at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, by the Rev. Capel Molyneux, B.A., incumbent of St. Paul's, South Kensington, assisted by the Rev. Wm. G. Humphry, M.A., Vicar, May 8.
RICHARDSON—SCOTT.—William S. Richardson, Esq., H.M.'s 88th Regt. (Connaught Rangers), to Grace, daughter of Lieut. col. Scott, M.N.I., at Rothsay, May 4.

DEATHS.

CHAMLEY.—Capt. Braithwaite Chamley, H.M.'s 17th Lancers, at Warcop House, Westmoreland, aged 30, May 11.
LASCELLES.—Bt. Lieut. col. F. G. F. Lascelles, late of the 4th Madras Lt. Cav., at Twickenham, aged 54, May 6.
SUTLEFF.—Surgeon major Robert Rushbrook Sutleff, H.M.'s M.N.I., at 27, Chepstow-place, Bayswater, aged 53, May 10.
THOMSON.—Julia, relict of the late Capt. W. J. Thomson, H.E.I.C.S., at 4, Bridge-avenue, Ham-mersmith, May 6.

India Office,

May 13, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Surg. maj. S. A. Homan, Med. Estab.; Lieut. W. Hampton, Inv. Estab.; Major S. Sage, 30th N.I.; Major J. E. Thompson, Staff Corps; Vet. surg. M. J. Marshall, Vet. Estab.
Madras Estab.—Lieut. R. C. Budd, 39th N.I.; Asst. surg. W. Fry, Med. Estab.; Capt. W. M. Frazer, 25th N.I.; Capt. C. T. Haig, Engrs.; Major W. Rose, Staff Corps; Capt. R. H. Cunliffe, Staff Corps.
Bombay Estab.—Surg. maj. M. C. Coles, Med. Estab.; Surg. maj. J. Peet, Med. Estab.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

ECCLLESIASTICAL.

Bengal Estab.—Rev. H. B. Burney, Bengal Chaplain, 6 mo.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. H. Cowper, Cav., 6 mo.; Maj. J. C. Bonamy, 2nd N.I., 6 mo.
Madras Estab.—Lieut. C. R. Bradstreet, Inf., 6 mo.; Maj. A. Rishton, 1st N.I., 6 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Capt. W. D. Hogg, Staff Corps; Lieut. R. A. Dobbin, 6th Eur. Regt.
Bombay Estab.—Lieut. J. G. Griffith, 18th N.I.; Capt. P. K. Skinner, Inf.; Capt. R. R. Woodhouse, 30th N.I.; Capt. W. T. Mills, 25th N.I.

PERMITTED TO RESIGN.

MILITARY.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. F. J. Ashley, 14th N.I.

INDIA EXCHANGES.

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Madras.	1s. 10½d.	1s. 11d.	Hong Kong.	4s. 7d.	4s. 7½d.
Bombay.	1s. 10½d.	1s. 11d.	Shanghai.	—	—
Colombo.	1 pm	1½ pm.			

STOCKS AND SECURITIES.

Shares.		Paid.	Prices.
£.	India Stock, 1874.....	216 to 218	
	India 5 per cent.....	106½	
	India 4 per cent.....	99½	
	India 4 per cent. 1888.....	99½	
	India Enfranch. Paper 4 pr. ct.	88½	
	India 5 p. ct. Enfr. Paper, 1873	102½ to 1½	
	India Stock, Enfr. Paper, 3½	103	
	per cent.....	95½	
	India Stock Debentures, 1855	116	
	India Stock Debentures, 1859	1563	
	" " " 1863	1894	
	" " " 1864 or 1860	99½	
	India Debentures, do., £1,000	98½	
	Do. 4 per cent., 1866.....	3 dis.	
	India 5 per cent. for account.....	111	
	India 5 per cent., 1870.....	105	
	India 4 per cent.....	106½ to 107½	
	India Loan Scrip 5 per cent	99½	
	India Bonds, 4 p. ct. (£1,000)	104½	
	India Bonds (£1,000)	15s. to 16s. pm.	
	Ditto (under £1,000)	14s. to 15s. pm.	
		16s.	
	RAILWAYS.		
Stock	Bombay, Baroda, and Central India (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	102 to 103
90	Ditto F Shares.....	4	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Calcutta & S. Eastern (lim.)	100	99 to 101
Stock	Eastern Bengal (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	101 to 103
Stock	East Indian.....	100	104
90	Ditto J. Extension.....	10	par to ½
Stock	G. I. Peninsula (guar. 5 p. ct.)	100	103 to 104
90	Ditto (New ditto).....	19	½ to 1 pm.
Stock	Ditto, New.....	2	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Great S. of India (Lim.) Scrip	100	101 to 102
Stock	Ditto 4½ p. c.....	8	
Stock	Madras (guar. 4½ p. ct.)	100	89 to 91
Stock	Ditto 5 per cent.....	100	102
Stock	Ditto (guar. 4½ per cent)	100	93 to 95
20	5th Extension.....	3	½
Stock	Scinde 5 per cent.....	100	101 to 102
Stock	Ditto Indus Steam Flotilla (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	97
Stock	Ditto New.....	101½	
Stock	Dellhi guar. 5 per cent.....	100	100½ to 101½
Stock	Ditto Dellhi gua. 5 p. c.....	all	4 to 5
90	Ditto.....	2	½ to 1
Stock	Punjab (5 per ct.)	100	101½ to 102½
	BANKS.		
100	Agra and Masterman's (L.)	50	120 to 122
50	Do., New issue.....	25	59 to 61
50	Do. issue at 30 pm.....	25	60 to 62
20	Asiatic Banking Corp., new issue, £15 pm., on which £7. 10s. has been paid	2½	9 to 11
40	Australasia.....	all	71
40	New.....	all	68 to 70
25	Bank of Egypt.....	all	29 to 31
25	Chart. of Ind., Aus., & China	all	28 to 29
20	Ditto, New.....	all	
25	Chart. Merc. of India, Lond., and China.....	all	51
12½	New.....	all	35 x.d.
25	Commercial Bank of India	all	4 to 5
100	Hindustan, China, & Japan	25	5 to 8
100	Do. New issue at 3 pm.....	25	
100	New Issue at 6 pm., of which 1 pd.....	15	5 to 3
90	Land Mortgage Bank of India	4	par to ½ pm.
25	Oriental Bank Corporation	all	52 to 54 x.d.
10	Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi	10	2 to 1 d.
20	Ditto New.....	7½	2 pm.
	MISCELLANEOUS.		
5	Bombay Gas.....	all	5½ to 6½
5	Second issue.....	8	½ to 1½
1	Third issue.....	14	1½ to 1½ d.
20	British Indian Tea.....	1	par to ½ pm.
90	E. Assam Tea (Lim.).....	7	2½ to 3½
50	Ceylon.....	10	3 to 3 dis.
50	Credit Foncier of Mauritius	10	3 to 2 dis.
50	East India Irr. & Can.....	10	3 to 2
50	E. I. Financial.....	7½	½ d. par
2	Indian Carrying (Lim.).....	9	par to ½ pm.
20	Mauritius Land Credit (Lim.)	10	1 d. par pm.
20	Madras Irrig. and Canal.....	all	19½ to 20½
10	Do.....	all	3½ to 4½
20	Mediterran. Ext. Tel. (Lim.)	all	3 to 1
20	Nerbudda Coal and Iron.....	2	1½ to 1½
20	Do. New.....	5	½ to 1 d.
10	North Assam Tea (Lim.).....	7	24 to 24½ pm.
20	Oriental Commercial.....	10	8 to 6 dis.
50	Oriental Financial.....	10	1½ to 1½
1	Oriental Gas.....	all	1½ to 1½
1	Do. New.....	all	1½ to 1½
10	Oriental Inland Steam A. (L.)	all	2½ to 3½
50	P. and O. Steam Nav. Co.....	all	54 to 56
10	Ditto New.....	85	23 to 25
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DATES OF ADVICES.

Bengal	April 22	Burmah (Rangoon)	April 12
Madras	" 23	Bombay	" 25
Agra	" 21	Ceylon	" 19
China (Hong Kong)	April 1.		

SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

WE are in receipt of our usual files of papers from Bombay to the 28th of April, and Calcutta to the 22nd of that month.

Sir Charles Wood's telegraphic demolition of the Export Duties had reached Bombay, and was a general subject of conversation. The news had given much satisfaction, mingled with just a little jealousy of home authority. The *Bombay Gazette*, though agreeing in opinion with the Indian Secretary, still doubts the propriety of "inflicting on the Viceregal Government the humiliation of a public disavowal of the chief financial measure of the year." The writer, in fact, considers that "the boon which the remission of the new duties would confer on the mercantile community of India is much more than counterbalanced by the loss of reputation which our Government at Calcutta suffers when the people of India are able to read in one column of a newspaper a speech by the Viceroy rejecting the prayer of the Calcutta memorialists that the duties may not be imposed, and in another column the telegram announcing that "Sir Charles Wood had refused to sanction them," and he adds:—"Such a system of Government necessarily deprives the Viceroy of all power and dignity, and makes him in fact an object of contempt to the natives. . . . For the sake of appearances, at least, the broad principles of an Imperial policy should be agreed upon between the Home Government and the Viceroy in Council before

a financial statement is published, or an important Bill brought before the Legislative Council. If the telegraphic wire had been used before hand for its legitimate purpose, that is, to ascertain if the Budget would be approved at home, the public scandal of this disagreement between Sir Charles Wood and Sir Charles Trevelyan would have been avoided."

The weather, which has been more than usually hot all over India, was very oppressive at Bombay, but some rain had fallen, and an early monsoon was expected. Cases of cholera had occurred in several parts. At Kurrachee there had been two cases in the 23rd Regiment N.L.I., but the commanding officer being promptly and efficiently assisted by the local managers of the Scinde Railway, was enabled to remove the whole of his troops in the course of twelve hours to a change of air. This example of activity is contrasted with an instance of apparent neglect in official quarters in a manner not very flattering to the latter. On the 11th inst., it seems, one of the usual artillery relief parties, consisting of about 100 Europeans, was ordered to march from Mhow to Kirkee. The General commanding at Mhow protested to head-quarters against the men being taken through the deadly jungle during the fiercest heat of the season. His interference was disregarded; and the consequence was, that thirty-six miles from the station a large portion of the force was stricken down, and the rest compelled to return to save their own lives. The number left dead in the jungle was no less than twenty-five. There has been a general outburst of indignation against the authority which would not listen to the Generals' warning, and a court of inquiry has been ordered on the subject.

The Bombay International Exhibition is to be a fact after all. The project is getting influential and effective support. It is to be brought out under a system of guarantees, the joint-stock company having been broken up.

Financial affairs at Bombay were "getting no better very fast." The news from America was creating serious alarm for the fate of cotton and all concerned in it. Nothing but confidence in England kept off a serious panic. A great deal of discussion had been caused by the action of the Bank of Bombay, which had decided to advance money on the security of reclamation shares, &c., fixing for Back Bay the value of 30,000 rupees, viz.: 5,000 for the first call (paid

up), and 25,000 per share. The Bank of Bombay, being, as a writer on the subject remarks, the leading bank of the Presidency, the Government bank, and the bank of deposit for the spare cash of all the other banks, as well as that of merchants and private individuals, it is natural that its proceedings should be scrutinised with some strictness.

Lady Frere had left for England with the general good wishes of the community, expressed in one instance in a public manner.

Calcutta was principally remarkable for having been just abandoned by the Governor-general, who had proceeded to Simla for the hot season, his inevitable following upon this occasion having the addition of Mr. Massey. That gentleman, by the way, was stated to be unwell—a fact suggestive of unpleasant ideas, for which, let us hope, there is no foundation. On his arrival it is noticeable that the Finance Minister caused some astonishment by his fresh and (comparatively) youthful appearance. Old Indians cannot understand what mere boys men of fifty are at home.

Notwithstanding the remark made in Bombay about Sir Charles Wood's condemnation of the Customs Duties appearing side by side with Sir John Lawrence's confirmation of those imposts, it does not appear that the eventful news was known in Calcutta at the latest date from that city. There was certainly no allusion to the fact in the files that reached us, and the local press would be the reverse of reticent on the subject. Sir Charles Trevelyan had taken his departure, not quite uncheered on his journey, for the British Indian Association gave him an address, and so did the Mahomedan Association, thus putting a stamp upon Sir Charles's unpopularity, to prevent mistakes. Among the coming departures from Calcutta is that of the Hon. H. B. Harington, who retires after forty years' service, during which he have won the respect of all, both by his public and private conduct. Mr. Harington went to India in 1824, as an ensign, and his first "public appearance" was in planting the colours of the 37th Regt. on the walls of Bhurtpore. He then returned to England, and entered the Civil Service of the East India Company, becoming, in conjunction with Sir Charles Trevelyan, an assistant under Sir E. Colebrooke in 1829. Mr. Temple, the Chief Commissioner of Nagpore, returns to England for a twelve-months' leave. He seems to have been

"addressed" extensively before leaving his seat of government.

Sir William Mansfield's appointments are given elsewhere; but we see in addition that he has taken the Hon. Walter Harbord, of the 7th Hussars, on to his personal staff.

The news from Bhootan is meagre. The last telegram from Tombs was dated the 7th of April. The celebrated operation of the King of France with fifty thousand men had been repeated at Dewangiri. The place had been taken, not because it was wanted, or was intended to be kept, but as a moral lesson to the enemy. Having been formally occupied by our troops it was then as formally evacuated. Jugar Penlow, it seems, had been slain. He was next in authority to Tongso the Warlike, who, though opposed by the amlahs, or landlords, who desire to make peace, is gathering up stores with the evident intention of giving trouble when the rains come to his assistance. Our force now assumes a defensive attitude, and every consideration is given to the villagers. It is intended only to secure the Dooars, though the post of Bishen Singh, which is to be occupied, is quite within the boundary of Bhootan Proper. The *Gazette* contains a notification of the breaking up of the Bhootan Field Brigades. They are again united in one brigade, under the command of General Tytler, with headquarters "ordinarily" at Gowhatty. In consequence of this arrangement Brigadier General Tombs reverts to the command of the Gwalior district. Sir Hugh Rose has left behind him a minute on the occupation of the Dooars, which may claim our attention next number.

We notice that the Lahore and Mooltan line was to be opened for public traffic on the 24th of April.

Several shocks of earthquake have been felt in the North-West. Two days after the cyclone at Calcutta, says a letter published in that city, a visitation of the same kind, though milder, took place at Rio de Janiero. If this be true, what becomes of Mr. Piddington's "circular" theory?

The House of Lords has been discussing the Indian Army grievance during the week, and in the House of Commons the competition system in the Civil Service has had its usual airing. The opponents of the system may be right or wrong, but it is quite time they left off telling the "wallahs" that they are not gentlemen. Whatever the "wallahs" are they are public servants, and therefore entitled to a degree of consideration on the decorous side of insult from the members of the House of Commons.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

INDIA.

[By Direct Overland Telegraph.]

BOMBAY, May 12.

Shipments of cotton during the fortnight, 68,000 bales.

Exchange on London, 2s. 0½d.

CALCUTTA, May 11.

Shirtings improved.

Exchange on London, 2s. 0½d.

Money easier.

CHINA.

[By Overland Telegraph from Galle.]

CANTON, April 29.

Shirtings and twist unchanged.

Total export of tea to date, 113,250,000 lb.

Exchange on London, 4s. 5½d.

SHANGHAI, April 22.

The news that Prince Kung remains in office is confirmed.

The Amoy rebels are committing great devastations, but their movements are politically unimportant.

The Japanese Government have announced a foreign policy which excludes the subjects of non-treaty Powers.

SHANGHAI, April 23.

Tea dull. Silk little doing. Total export to date, 38,125 bales.

Exchange on London, 6s. 2½d.

Freights unchanged.

CALCUTTA AND CHINA MAILS.

The following telegram has been received by Reuter's Telegram Company (Limited), from the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company:—

ALEXANDRIA, May 19.

The *Nyanza* and *Ripon* left here with the above mails at five A.M. to-day.

The former may be expected at Marseilles on the 25th inst., and the latter at Southampton about the 1st June.

OUTWARD MAILS.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamship *Syria*, Captain Christian, sailed from Southampton on Saturday afternoon May 20th, with the mails for Gibraltar, the Mediterranean, Egypt, Aden, Ceylon, India (except Bombay), China, Mauritius, the Cape, Australia, and New Zealand. The *Syria* took out 39 first and 40 second-class passengers, and on freight 34 boxes specie, value £24,517, for the following ports, viz.: Alexandria, silver coin, £200; Mauritius, gold coin £15,000; Galle, gold coin, £1,500; Madras, gold coin, £250; gold thread, watches, &c., £1,045; Calcutta, jewellery, watches, &c., £1,185; Penang, watches, £91; Singapore, coral, watches, &c., £402; Hong Kong, jewellery, gold thread, &c., £1,959; Yokohama, dollars, £165; Hobson's Bay, jewellery and watches, £2,075; Melbourne, watches, £180; and for Sidney, sundries, £465. Amongst the passengers by the *Syria* are Captains Bailey, Douglas, and Craig; Commander Austin, Lieut. Neville, Lieut. Rendle, and Sir E. Hornby.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

BENGAL.—Mr. W. H. Holland, Resident, 2nd Central India Horse, at Aungur, April 5. W. R. Powell, Esq., Executive Engineer, Barrack Bridge, at Eastern Barrack, April 6.

MADRAS.—Lieut. Alexander, 22nd M.N.L., at Bangalore, April 10. Harry B. Shelley, late of the 31st Regt. M.L.I., aged 26.

Passengers by the present Mail.

For Marseilles.—From Bombay.—Dr. J. R. Scriven, Mr. Haley, Mr. and Mrs. Monnett, Mr. C. Henri, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke, Rev. Mr. Thurston, Mrs. and Miss Cloughton, Master Cloughton, Miss Gibson, Mr. Wise, Mr. Knecht, Mrs. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Inverarity, Mr. Locke, Capt. Gumbus, Capt. Tracey, R.N., Mr. Graham, Mr. Hallen, Mrs. Hallen and infant, Lieut. Reeves, Mr. Macdonald, Mrs. Keating, Lieut. Ellis, Lieut. Mayne, Mr. Ramsay, Capt. Dawson, Mr. Ward, Capt. Young, Col. Hughes, Mr. J. Brown, Mr. Rad, Mr. and Mrs. Broughton, Mrs. Taylor and two children, Lieut. Col. Biggs and child, Mrs. Leith, Cassimibhai Darumsay, Capt. Murray, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Manojjee, three ladies, and two children, Mr. B. Dadabhai, Mr. D. Cursetjee.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. *Euxine*, May 29.—From Bombay.—Mrs. Williams, Capt. Boxer, Mr. Warden, Mr. Marples, Mr. Power, Lieut. Taylor, Capt. Le Crau, Mr. Baldwin, Mr. J. C. Dixon, Mr. W. Dixon, Miss Dixon, Mr. Gordon and child, Mrs. Fuller and two children, Mrs. Fraser and child, Mr. and Mrs. Beaumont and five children, Mr. Penton, Mrs. Hamilton and two children, Capt. and Mrs. Boddon and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Davies, Mrs. Barnett and four children, Mrs. Hill and child, Mrs. Appleton, Mrs. Davies and infant, Lieut. Lott, Mr. Capt. Deacon, Lieut. Twining, Mr. Colville, Mr. and Mrs. D. Aguilas, Mr. Simpson and infant, Mrs. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Pattidge, Mr. Warden, Mr. Feun, Mrs. L. Ploomer, Dr. P. G. Bell.

BENGAL

THE LESSON TAUGHT BY THE ADVANCE OF RUSSIA.

The conquests of Russia in Central Asia have attracted the attention of the civilised world from America to China. When it was known in Europe that the Amoor provinces had been annexed there was a start of surprise at the quiet and stealthy advance of Russia, and the important addition she had made to her Siberian territory. It was, however, thought to be quite natural for a country, the coast line of which was hemmed in by Arctic seas, to seek an outlet for her trade by the Pacific. But the late series of subjugations, commencing with the Caucasus and ending we cannot yet say where, have roused strange suspicions as to her ambitious projects. Numerous European journals have uttered words full of import. The one thing all of them unite in believing is, that these Central Asian conquests have some present or future bearing on India. And now another envoy from Kokhan awaits an interview with the Viceroy at Jhelum.

We would utter a caution not to trust to the unmitigated liars of Central Asia, though they appear in the position of envoys. Such a character is easily assumed by them, and we have no practical means of testing the truth of their stories. The Toorks of Central Asia are treacherous to the last degree, and manifest a most unaccountable hatred of Englishmen and everything English. It therefore seems rather strange that there should still be an envoy from Kokhan, when there can be no question that half a year ago the country was annexed and settled by Russia. It is possible that attempts are being made, whether by the fanatic Khan of Bokhara, the rebels at large in his territory, or the Russians themselves, to mislead the British Government into taking prominent action in the matter, and sending troops beyond the frontiers where they would soon prove an easy prey to physical suffering, starvation, and unknown enemies. A circumstance must have been marked by those who have conversed with Yarkundis, that notwithstanding their known bitter hate of the English, they still invite Englishmen into Toorkistan, and promise them the country. So far as we are aware, the object of this deceit is to inveigle the simple and credulous to a certain and shameful death. But it may be asked, why should the Central Asian tribes wish Englishmen and English troops to enter and perish in Toorkistan? The reply to this has a reference to the state of Moslem feelings, against Government, so well illustrated during the mutinies and in the Patna conspiracy, the embers of which have not yet been trampled out. The Mussulmans of India, especially those of the North-West and the Punjab, look to Toorkistan as their *Wilayet*, their home, and the citadel of their faith. They refer to it with pride as to a country never yet attempted by the British, and where alone Englishmen have met with their deserts. There would be no greater satisfaction and triumph to the Mussulmans of India than to hear that a British army had perished in the wilds of Central Asia. And those who could see far into the future would hail the march of a British army across our northern frontier as the first step to a series of humiliations and complications which might ultimately cost us the country. That the Russians should wish a British army to perish in Toorkistan is not improbable from the uses to which they could turn the fact. If, therefore, we value our prestige we should take care that we do not listen to tales which, for all we know, may be false.

The reasons given why it is probable that Russia should invade India are these:—What other object can she have in advancing so near our Cashmere outposts? It is possible she might have that end in view, but it is as possible

that she has not. Central Asia, especially Bokhara and Yarkund, are exceedingly rich, fertile and populous provinces, and it is likely that Russia has her eye more on Toorkistan, the old cradle of the human race, as giving her a most enviable and commanding position among the nations of the earth. That in case of a war with England, Russia, near at hand, might attempt some mischief to India, is not unlikely. But we do not think she would do very serious injury unless she had an eye on the country, nor is it very probable that she has yet had India seriously in her eye. All her energies have for ages been directed to suppressing the Turkish and other Mahomedan powers, and we believe that in all her movements she has this object more in view than any other. She might have an eye even to China, but we hardly think it likely that for a long time to come she will interfere with India; and by that time it is possible that India may stand in other relations to England, and be able to defy the might of the whole Russian empire, if that be brought to bear on her. Still, it is our imperious duty, as the first power in Asia, to know what is actually going on very close to our frontier. The notorious ambition and greed of Russia are assigned as reasons for a probable advance. We know of these only with reference to Mahomedan powers, and it is possible she has a mission to fulfil with respect to the Mahomedan world. Such, at least, is her own belief, and the conviction of the Turks themselves. These two reasons, we believe, constitute the sum of all that have ever been advanced, and they will not stand examination. But a third reason is brought forward by some who know a good deal of the question, and that is that the Russians openly talk of going on to India, and the Central Asian peoples believe it. On this point we can only say it is possible a Russian organ may have said something in an idle mood, and that is merely in the anticipations of the people of Central Asia that the Russians talk of marching on India. Such rude Orientals as the Toorks, who have for ages marked the advance of England from the south and that of Russia from the north, and who cannot understand how two European States can live in peace and amity, when near each other, they may think many things which may not turn out to be facts. We have all along advocated a non-interference policy. But at the same time we have called out more than once, and now reiterate it, that we must have more sure and certain information of what is going on not far from our borders.

Having disposed of the arguments urged for Russia invading India, we now turn to the reasons which have been advanced why she should not do so. And here we find every reason hitherto urged insufficient. First, the physical difficulties are insurmountable. We confess we are surprised to hear such an objection from writers who, if they are ignorant of the geographical features of the country, can be under no mistake as to the facts of history. We know that in the very remotest ages the Aryans penetrated India from the north-west. That they had a severe struggle, or were strongly opposed there, cannot be a question, when they reduced the entire aboriginal population either to the state of helots, or drove them into fastnesses. How, we might ask, in those primitive times, when agriculture was carried on only to the point that would suffice for domestic purposes, could the vast tribe of the Aryans have migrated without starving by the way, or perishing on the mountains, or falling beneath the flint arrows and hatchets of the aboriginal Indians? The next record we have is of the invasion of Alexander the Great, which, coming all the way from Europe, and thinned step by step, yet passed through the mountains of Balch and Kafiristan, and, notwithstanding the most energetic op-

position of the most martial of the Indian nations, entered India in triumph. How was this accomplished? The invasions of the Mongols and Toorks after that became numerous, and how were these effected? It is only the other day that Cabul lost Cashmere. How could she have retained it so long? The truth is that the master of Cabul has a large vantage ground in any invasion of the Punjab. It is generally believed that there are only one or two passes. This is mistake. There are one or two grand passes; but all along the frontier there are numerous small highways and byways. The hills do not present the blank surface of a wall of a compound with one gate attached. This, however, is the usual idea of those ignorant of the physical features of the hills of the North-west. The whole country between Peshawur and Simla is a series of passes large and small.

But if the physical features of the ground near India may be overcome, there are immense ranges and deserts far beyond. These ranges are all in the same condition as the North-Western Himalayas, only a few great passes are used. But who proposes to oppose Russia at the Hindoo Koosh? Certainly not those who raise this objection. As for the deserts they are all imaginary. There is hardly any finer country—not excepting India herself—than Toorkistan. The so-called deserts are mere specks, are always traversed, and have never been much accounted of. The great Gobi desert does not lie in the way of Russia when advancing to India. But, it is said there are wild tribes on the way? We do not know of any. The Central Asian peoples are not wild tribes, but long settled nations with fixed forms of government. Again it is objected that there is no base for the operations of an army. Alexander the Great had no base, nor had Timour, nor had Nadir Shah. But we cannot conceive how this objection can be started with the magnificent base of the Caspian, or the line of forts which run across from the Aral Sea to a point not three hundred miles north of Cashmere, that is, as it were, from Calcutta to Patna in a straight line. Besides, it is an assumption to suppose that a Russian army would ever invade India without first providing for itself a base. Finally, the careless reasoner declares that the invasion will not be in our day. This is a convenient excuse for inaction. So is that other idea, that if Russia ever sends an army into India, it will never get out again. In the case of an invasion of Great Britain the utter annihilation of the invaders is a far more probable thing, but yet neither the army, navy, nor volunteers have therefore disregarded the very least signs of a probable invasion. We have not met with any other objections that can be thought of in respect of a Russian invasion of India. These which we have briefly examined either are not consistent with facts, or form but an idle excuse for inaction. The chances, therefore, on both sides of the question, are equal. The reasons stated for Russia invading India do not stand the test of examination, and the reasons given why Russia should not do so are found even more unsound. In this state of doubt the question must rest till the future course of events makes things plain.

The actual progress Russia has made in Central Asia appears to be this. She has taken Kokhan, and from both east and west, the Kokhan and the Caspian side, she is hemming in Khiva. Her Arab settlements, and her conquest of the Caucasus enable her to press in also from the north and south. Thus surrounded and hemmed in on all sides by victorious and veteran troops, the fate of Khiva can no longer be doubted. With Khiva and Kokhan in her possession she has only the south-east corner of Toorkistan, adjoining India, further to annex, and her appearance at Bokhara is suspicious, as to her further intentions that way. A letter

from Cashmere lately stated that it was reported that the Russians had penetrated far to the east into Tartary. It is possible that the insurrection in East Toorkistan has been occasioned by Russian intrigues, and that it has spread to the confines of China. But how the Russians could have got over the large and populous and important viceroyalty of Ila without some report of it having reached China, we cannot imagine. To the east of Kashgar the rumours are all vague and indefinite. There is an insurrection, and the Russians are somehow named in it. But nothing further can be said with certainty.

A brief review of the whole State of Central Asia at the present time, and a glance at the reasons started for and against the invasion of India by Russia, teach us above all things to keep ourselves properly informed of events. The semi-official mission from Lahore is the first step in that direction.—*Friend of India*.

THE MONEY MARKET.

A continued and increasing depression has pervaded our share market. The stocks of the older commercial and tea companies are still difficult to dispose of. Those of the new companies have, with the single exception of the Imperial Finance, all largely declined. Owing partly to the general depression, and partly to forced sales on account of defaulters, the shares of the Port Canning Land Investment, Reclamation, and Dock Company, Limited, have receded to Rs. 1,100 premium. The price of Salt Water Lake shares from the same causes fell to Rs. 200 discount, and there are now purchasers at Rs. 100 discount. In the case of the Sunderbans Reclamation Company no transactions are as yet reported, and, owing to the excellent arrangements connected with their allotment, they are not likely to be hurriedly placed on the market. There have been several transactions in the Imperial Finance Company's shares at from 5 to 10 premium. Those of the Bengal Credit Mobilier have exhibited a downward tendency during the whole of this period, and are now quoted at Rs. 80 to 85 premium. National Bank's are quoted at 295. Bank of Bengal's have receded to Rs. 1,750. Transactions have been principally confined to the above stocks.

Money is plentiful. The Bank of Bengal reduced its rate discount one per cent. all round on the 13th; and there have since been large transactions in company's paper, but prices of this stock have a downward tendency. It seems at first sight strange that, with an easy money market, there should have been so general a decline in the prices of joint-stock shares of every description. But the fact is that a combination of causes influencing the market, among which the unfavourable news regarding the course of the cotton trade, brought almost daily by the wires from Europe, and the deplorable reports from China, have an effect in discouraging buyers, but are not by any means the principal influence. There can be little doubt that the strain upon the capital on this side of India, caused by the almost simultaneous demands of so many new companies, has been more than it could conveniently sustain, and the pressure has been greatly aggravated by the extreme caution of the banks, which discourages the most legitimate speculations by an indiscriminate refusal to make advances upon joint-stock shares. The Bombay banks have, we are happy to say, reversed their former policy in this respect; and a similarly politic and liberal movement here would aid largely in restoring the market.—*Englishman*, April 22.

The *Hurkaru* pronounces as follows on the same subject:—Bombay has apparently, to use an odd expression, fairly taken "the bull by the horns," that is, if the share-market panic in full bloom amongst the ducks may be called a "bull." We have extracted from the *Bombay Gazette* an article on the action taken

by the Bank of Bombay at a most critical juncture of the market. This proceeding of the bank is well timed, and we cannot see that anything but good can result from a proper and careful administration of the advances proposed on some stock shares. We know the question has become more frequent, and is likely to be more closely asked in Calcutta, with reference to one or more of our City banks which have received very heavy deposits from the general public, how, to three-fourths, if not to all that general public, loans on well approved securities have been persistently refused. Caution is, or should be, the very soul of business, but caution may at times be carried too far. The position of this market is comparatively similar to our neighbours; abundance of capital, easy rates for money, and yet amongst a large section of the community a pressure and difficulty little short of, or if not amounting too frequently to, actual ruin. We do not anticipate any movement here on the part of the Bank of Bengal, although we are informed its able secretary is cheerfully lending his attention to the position.

MISCELLANEOUS.

CENTRAL PROVINCES, April 8.—Colonel Elliot's death took every one by surprise, as we were not even aware that he was so dangerously ill. He is much regretted by a large circle of acquaintances. Up to the last he subscribed and took an interest in all our public institutions, gardens, and societies. I hear that Major Meade at Indore is likely to get Colonel Elliot's appointment. Mr. Temple leaves us on the 17th instant, and the following will be the appointments created by his departure. Mr. Campbell will officiate as Chief Commissioner, Mr. Egerton as Judicial Commissioner, and Mr. Lyall, C.S., from Hoshungabad, as Commissioner of the Nagpore division, whilst Major Crichton, lately returned from England, will take Mr. Lyall's place as Deputy Commissioner of Hoshungabad. There are two appointments which have only been filled up temporarily, namely, Judge of the Small Cause Court at Nagpore, in which Mr. Drysdale is officiating, and Director of Public Instruction, in which Mr. Wyllie, Assistant Secretary, is acting, but Mr. Temple has intimated on the Bombay Government for two officers to fill those appointments. Some new appointments have been made in the Educational Department, Mr. Christopher Brits to officiate as head master of the Saugor school, and Mr. A. Drysdale, head master of the Kamptee school.—*Delhi Gazette.*

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS, &c., TO CLEARY.—The gallant young sailor Edward Cleary (says the *Englishman*) received his medals and testimonials on the 13th April, at sun-set; and the quiet spirit with which he bore his honors was in full keeping with his previous courage and daring. It was the same Cleary who went out during the cyclone last October, "just to see if anything was to be done." The same unconsciousness of self marked the man throughout this presentation, in the presence of the Viceroy, and with the Lieutenant Governor as the presenter. The patient recipient of all this glory, though he uttered no word, seemed really to find it a harder thing to bear than swimming the Hooghly with a hawser in his teeth. Cleary has just recovered from what Dr. Chevers describes as the very worst case he has known of cholera from which a patient has recovered. The effects of his late physical prostration, from which he is, as yet, but partially restored, were evident to every beholder, and his utter absence of pretensions and of all sense of having done anything more than his duty, disarmed envy, and carried all hearts with it. The Lieutenant Governor and several other gentlemen delivered addresses on the occasion. Mr. Beadon's opening remarks were as follows:—

"I have been asked by your friend, Mr. Roberts, to deliver to you, publicly, in the presence of your messmates, and of many others of the same calling as your own, the honorary and substantial rewards which have been assigned to you by the two excellent societies in our native country, the Royal Humane Society, and the Shipwrecked Mariners' Royal Benevolent Society. These rewards consist of a bronze medal from one of these societies, and a gold medal with a purse of ten sovereigns from the other. The purse which hold the sovereigns has been knitted by the fair hands of one of your countrywomen in Calcutta, and the money grant from the benevolent society is, I believe, the largest they have ever given. It affords me the greatest pleasure to be the instrument of conferring upon you these rewards, which you have so richly and deservedly earned by your gallant conduct in saving the captain and crew of the *Gorindpore* when wrecked in the cyclone of last October, and I trust that the medals may be carefully preserved in your family as a memorial of one of the bravest of the many brave acts for which British seamen have always been justly renowned throughout the world."

WASTE LANDS.—The *Gazette of India* has just published the rules for the granting of waste lands in British Burmah, alternative to those dated June 30, 1863. By these rules the land is divided into five classes, each of which is granted for a number of years free, and for a corresponding number at a fixed rate per acre. For instance, forest jungle or hill land is granted for thirty-two years free, for the succeeding eight years the rated assessment is four annas an acre, for the next eight years the rate is increased to eight annas, and during the following sixteen years it is raised to twelve annas an acre, making a total duration of sixty-four years. The other classes of land are granted in a similar manner, except that the periods of the grant diminish as the class of land increases in value. The most valuable class is the short grass jungle and fallow land, which is granted for only four years free, for other four years it is charged rates similar to that of the first class, and thus the whole period extends over only eight years. On the completion of the term of each grant it shall be at the option of the grantee to demand a settlement of the land revenue of his grant in perpetuity, at the yearly rent of one rupee and a-half per acre payable to Government, and this payment shall be the maximum rate payable for ever as land revenue for such grant. The nature of three-fourths of the land is to determine the class of the whole. No one grant is to be more than 10,000 acres, and none are to include fisheries, forests, &c. The lands assigned are to be the hereditary property of the grantee, provided he adheres to the terms on which he receives them; but if he neglect to do so, the grant is to be resumed: grantees must satisfy the local revenue officers that they possess capital necessary to cultivate during their lease according to a graduated scale. Each grant will be registered and surveyed; and in case of transfer, the deed of transfer must be attested by the principals or their agents. Forms of application may be obtained from any of the Deputy Commissioners or local revenue officers.—*Hurkaru*, April 22.

TESTS FOR THE STAFF CORPS.—The Secretary of State rules, and the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief concurs in the view, that an officer who has been preparing to pass the tests, and has but a short time to complete the period of probation required for admission to the Staff corps before his corps embarks, may remain in India on Indian pay and allowances, provided he may be fairly expected to pass the tests satisfactorily, and there is a vacancy to which he may be posted, or that his appointment does not unduly increase the number of reserve officers.

THE SUNDERBUNS RECLAMATION COMPANY.—The *Englishman* says:—In our last overland paper we announced the formation and favourable reception of one of those vast undertakings which are likely to do so much for India and for England, and the success of which will, in as great a degree, secure our rule and our revenue beyond all accidents, as they will lead to individual and national enrichment. We refer to the Sunderbuns Reclamation Company, which was ready to take off the hands of Government, at an average price, the whole Delta of the Ganges, by so doing rendering available to the State a large sum for the reproductive works now so urgently required, and bringing within the prospect of early utilisation lands which have lain waste for ages, and several hundred thousand acres of which can never be separately taken up by individual enterprise, except at a loss. Under the general term of Sunderbuns, the Government conceded to the company, without reservation, about two million acres of land. With this concession the project was launched upon the market. It appears, however, that the Viceroy had not fully apprehended the magnitude of the undertaking. The discovery that he had conceded so vast an area to one company was no sooner made than its novelty alarmed him into a revoke. Like the manager of a well-known bank in the olden times, who considered no security good enough to warrant his lending one man the enormous sum of three lakhs of rupees, the Viceroy felt that two millions of acres exceeded the limit of land with which one company, however powerful and well-supported, could be trusted.

THE CHURCH MISSION AT UMITSUR.—Yesterday, Sunday, the 9th April, the Bishop of Calcutta concluded his visitation at this station by confirming upwards of forty native Christians of various ages, from the almost grey beard of fifty to the tender orphan of fifteen. The ceremony was preceded by the ordinary evening service, which having concluded, the Bishop read, with great precision and singularly correct intonation, an address in the vernacular bearing on the importance of the ceremony he was about to perform. His Lordship then proceeded to the imposition of hands on all the candidates for confirmation one by one, and to judge by the earnestness he displayed was himself deeply impressed on the occasion. The Bishop left Umitsur on Monday morning by train, and proceeded on arrival at Lahore to the Government House. The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor invited all the clergy at Lahore, including the members of the American Presbyterian Mission, to meet his Lordship at breakfast, on Thursday morning, the 11th April.—*Delhi Gazette.*

A CONTRACT LAW FOR INDIA.—A Bill to regulate Contracts for Labour has been passed by the Bengal Council. It fixes minimum rate of wages below which no contracts will be recognised; these rates are Rs. 5, 4, and 3 per month for men, women, and children respectively. A "protector" of coolies is to be appointed with ministerial powers. He will travel through the districts where the emigrant labourers are mostly employed—the tea-plantations in the north-east of India. The coolies who desire the intervention of the "protector" must give at least forty-eight hours' notice before his arrival.

EARTHQUAKES.—In the *Hurkaru* of the 19th instant were recorded the earthquakes that happened on various dates at Nynee Tal, Simla, and Mussoorie. We hear that on the 11th there was one at Sabathoo, which, however, did no damage; and another at Roorkee on the 13th.

A CONFLAGRATION took place on the 8th April in the Sudder Bazaar, outside the city of Delhi, destroying many houses and lives. The fire originated in a stack of grass.

SIR JOHN LAWRENCE AND THE TALOOQDARS.—The *Oudh Gazette* contains the following, which we fear is not of much significance:—"We congratulate the press and the public of England and India on the certain prospect of a speedy termination to the Oudh Talooqdarees question, which called forth such a spontaneous outburst of independent opinion, excited the fears of some, roused the indignation of many, and engaged the attention of all. Sir Charles Wood has sent peremptory orders to Sir John Lawrence to assure the Talooqdars of Oudh that the sunnuds granted to them by the Government of India, sanctioned by the Cabinet, and approved by the Parliament and the people of England, will be upheld to the letter."

THE LATE FINANCIER.—The *Hurkaru* says:—"In the plenitude of his pretensions to universality, Sir Charles Trevelyan wrote one of his usually clever 'minutes' on 'Dentistry in the Army,' the object of which, in common with many other equally sensible objects advocated by him, was that our soldiers should have their teeth kept in order without Government being put to any expense. We believe that it was his idea that army surgeons should be compelled to pass an examination in dentistry before getting their commissions. But, as army surgeons had quite enough to study, it was felt to be impossible to add to their tasks, and Sir Charles Trevelyan's scheme fell to the ground, like so many others of his clever but impracticable 'ideas.'"

THE DISTURBANCES AT TIPPERAH.—We learn from Tipperah that by the timely interference of the police, the armed bands collected by the contending chief have dispersed. Nilkissen Thakoor, without further disturbing the peace of the country, has petitioned the Governor-general that the title of Rajah Bahadur be not conferred on Beer Chunder Thakoor, till his appeal case has finally been disposed of by the Privy Council.—*Hurkaru*.

THE RAJPOOTANA APPOINTMENT is gazetted. Colonel W. F. Eden succeeds the late Colonel Elliott as Agent Governor-General; Major J. P. Nixon gets the political agency of Meywar, and Captain E. C. Impey that of Marwar. Colonel S. Blane will, it is surmised, succeed Captain Impey as Military Secretary to the Governor-General.—*Delhi Gazette*, April 8.

COTTON.—The *Mofussilite* of the 11th instant says that cotton in the bazaar here is offered for sale at Rs. 11-8, in the district at Rs. 10-8. The staple is of inferior quality, and can only be had in small quantities. Large holders will not sell. There is no doubt that the price of cotton will rise and go up to its former price of Rs. 24 per maund.

THE PUNJAB RAILWAY.—We learn from the official progress reports of the Punjab Railway for the half-year ending December, 1864, that in little less than six months sixty-eight miles of this railway had been laid, and that the Lahore and Mooltan section of 208 miles will be open for public traffic immediately.

THE BAR AND "THE LANGUAGES."—The *Indian Daily News* says:—"It is probable that a Government notification will shortly be issued inviting barristers to submit themselves to an examination in the vernacular languages, in view of appointments from the Bar to the judicial appointments likely to become vacant or to be created."

MR. TEMPLE.—From the *Imperial Gazette* we learn that Mr. Temple proceeds home shortly on leave for six months. Mr. J. S. Campbell, Judicial Commissioner, will officiate as Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces, Mr. R. E. Egerton as Judicial Commissioner, and Mr. A. C. Lyall as Commissioner of the Nagpore Division.

BAD NEWS.—The *Pioneer* says:—"We are sorry to say that Mr. Massey is already ill. This augurs badly for the future. We hear that Mr. Muir is ailing also, and that Mr. G. Noble Taylor has had a relapse."

OFFICIAL TELEGRAMS FROM BHOOTAN.—From Dewangiri, from General Tombs, to Calcutta, to Colonel Norman (no date). We had heavy rain all last night at Dewangiri, and the troops, being without bedding or shelter, will, I fear, suffer. I shall evacuate the sixth, after destroying every stone building and the fine trees at the Rajah's house. I have had parties out scouring roads and jungles, but beyond wounded men have come across no other Bhootas. The enemy could not have lost less than two hundred men on the second; one hundred and twenty bodies have been counted, and we have upwards of forty prisoners, some of whom are badly wounded. Our own casualties will amount to eighty, but a great number of these are slightly wounded. From Koomreehatta, through Gowhatti, from General Tombs, to Calcutta, to Colonel Norman. April 7, 10 A.M.—Dewangiri was evacuated yesterday. Everything that could be destroyed, was. Not a Bhoota was seen. The country for miles deserted. Jugar Penlow, who is next in authority to the Toungsoo, was killed on the second. Sky very cloudy, every appearance of continued rain.

DEATH BY CHOLERA.—We regret to announce the death by cholera of Lieutenant Alexander, of the 22nd M. N. I., on the evening of the 10th inst., at Bangalore.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 11. Fort William, Barnidly, Liverpool.—13. Coringa, McCorkendale, —; Sterling, Wisnau, Liverpool; Dagmar, Winter, —; Omar Pasha, Liffin, Bombay; Gertrude, Dugdale, Jaffnapatam.—15. Pamplunous, Courtois, Nantes.—17. Moulmein, Gray, Madras; Arratoon Apar, Smith, Hong Kong; Turkey, Cottrill, Mauritius; Golden Empire, Goodall, Liverpool; Agra, Bell, Bombay; Staffa, Alister, Liverpool; Bucentaur, Robert, Colombo.—18. Antelope, Smith, Colombo; Ellen Hood, Kelby, Akyab; City of Bombay, Arror, London; Leonardo Da Vinci, Se-cotto, Table Bay; Sebastopol, Dowther, Hong Kong; Cheduba, Moddisson, Moulmein.—20. Helvetia, Warren, —; Kentworth Castle, Steel, Glasgow; Arabia, Patterson, Point de Galle; Patriot Queen, Cragg, Liverpool; Jane Porter, Hanna, London.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Arratoon Apar.—Mrs. Sarkies, Mrs. Mackertoom, Mr. Mrs., and two Misses Moses, Lieut. A. Hain, Mr. Warden, Mr. G. Demetius, Mr. D. Maincock.
Per Turkey.—Lieut. C. S. Bally, Capt. Rapson Marton, Mr. S. Thompson.
Per Ellen Hood.—T. C. Gohan.
Per Leonardo Da Vinci.—Mr. A. Alone, Mrs. Braddock and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Sykes.
Per Cheduba.—Mrs. Lawrence, Messrs. A. Cock, C. Hopper, J. C. Dion, L. W. Essum, W. Jones.
Per Helvetia.—Mrs. and Miss Warren, Mr. J. Prague.
Per Queen Esther.—Mrs. and Miss Dubern, Miss Lambert.
Per str. Arabia.—From MARSEILLES.—Mr. White, Mr. McArthur, Mr. Delpech, Mr. Morse, Mr. Passick. From PONCE.—Mr. and Mrs. Chevalier. From MADRAS.—The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Leupolt, Lieut. Clerk.

DEPARTURES.

April 13. City of Berlin, Taylor, London.—14. Harold, Lattie, Liverpool.—15. Queen of the East, Rees, —; Jacques Scario, Martin, Mauritius.—16. India, Lewis, Bombay, via Madras Coast; Garnet, Bradford, Boston; Marian Moore, Munroe, Liverpool.—17. Pembroke Castle, Ogilvy, Liverpool; Sir Robert Sale, Lumsden, Shanghai; British Trident, Wright, London; Rangoon, Templeton, Akyab, Rangoon, and Moulmein.—18. Wallace, Evans, Hong Kong; Himalaya, Cow, London; Celestial Empire, Murray, London; Nagpore, Macdonald, Shanghai; Water Lily, Nacoda, Muscat.—20. John Lidgett, Robertson, —; Khimjee Odowjee, Salt, Liverpool; Nusser Mujeed, Mathews, Colombo; Maria Hay, Middleton, Dundee.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. India.—For MASULIPATAM.—Mr. A. French. For MADRAS.—Mr. J. Wood, Mr. Judah Ezekiel, Capt. Geo. Steadman, Mr. A. Hamilton, Mr. A. N. Capel. For COLOMBO.—Mr. and Mrs. Nelson. For BOMBAY.—Mrs. Horbitts.
Per str. Rangoon.—For RANGON.—Mr. E. H. S. Davies, Lieut. R. Wilson, Mr. R. Dickinson. For MOULMEIN.—Mr. R. Redpath. For AKYAB.—Mr. J. P. Langlois.
Per str. Lady Melville.—Mrs. Peterson and five children, Capt. Barwell, Mrs. Barwell and child, Mr. and Mrs. Brook, Capt. Warren, Mrs. Lewis and child, Lieut. Barbara, Mrs. Rogers and child, Mrs. Cody, Mr. Semor, Mr. Huanan, Mr. Waks, Mr. and Mrs. Marcell, Mrs. Hamilton.
Per str. Moulmein.—For CHITTAGONG.—Mr. Tanney, Dr. Barry. For AKYAB.—Mr. C. Whitefield.
Per str. Simla.—For MADRAS.—Mr. C. Palmer, Mr. R. Campbell, Mr. M. C. Clenton. For GALLE.—Mr. Muspratt. For SOER.—Mrs. Allan. For MALTA.—Col. Thullier. For SYDNEY.—Col. and Mrs. Muter. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. Wauchope, Mr. Connell, Mr. Hankey, Mr. J. Simson, Mr. D. Simson, Mr. Brandis. For MARSEILLES.—Lieut. Ryan, Mr. Mathews, Col. and Mrs. Simpson, Rev. J. Robinson, Capt. Colham, Hon. R. Cust, Mr. Dear, Master Christian, Mr. Beaghi, Mr. W. T. Campbell, Mrs. Faithfull, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Grant, Mr. Hopper, Mr. W. McClure, Mr. Maclean, Mr.

Warwick, Mrs. Forbes, Mrs. Paul, Dr. Harrison, Capt. Fitzroy. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. and Mrs. Behurst and family, Mrs. Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Dodson and family, Mr. Blake, Mrs. Muspratt, Mrs. Murray and family, Mr. and Mrs. Peacock and family, Capt. Best, Dr. Duka, Mrs. Abercrombie, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Grey, Wm. Hutton, Dr. Higginson, Mrs. Daniel, Dr. Reed, Mr. B. Burs, Capt. and Mrs. Barrow and family, Mr. Gavin, Mrs. Copley, Hon. W. P. Bawrie, Mrs. Bovell, Miss Jenkins.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, April 22, 1865.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price.
4 per Cent. Sa. Rs.	Sa. Rs.	89 Rs. 88 12 to 89 6
Do. Transfer Stock....	Sa. Rs.	90
4 per Cent. Co's Rs.	Co's Rs.	91 1/4 .. 89 8 to 91 0
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co's Rs.	100 .. 98 3/4 to 100
5 1/2 per Cent.	Co's Rs.	100 .. 102 8 to 103 1/4
5 per cent., 56-57.....	Co's Rs.	100 .. 101 8 to 101 12

EXCHANGE.

On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills at 6 months' sight ...	2 0 1/2 to 2 0 9-16
First Class Credit at 6 months' sight ...	2 0 1/2 to 2 0 9-16
Bills with Docs. at 6 months' sight ...	2 0 1/2
Bank Post Bills..... at 1 months' sight ...	2 0 to 2 0 1/2

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paid-up.	Quoted at
Ra. each.	Ra.	Ra.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500 ..	1400 to 1410
Alliance Tea Company	85 ..	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	250 ..	525 to 527
Balasun Tea Company	100 ..	185 to 190
Bank of Bengal	1000 ..	1750 to 1755
Ditto Interest bearing	4000 ..	7900 to 8200
Beerbhoom Coal Company	1000 ..	840 to 845
Ditto	200 ..	Non. to 175
Bengal Coal Company	1000 ..	1100 to 1125
Bengal Printing Company	100 ..	16 to 10 dis.
Bengal River Company	1000 ..	560 to 765
Ditto	500 ..	387 to 340
Bengal Tea Company	100 ..	165
Ditto new paid-up	250 ..	1 0 to 160
Bengal Oil Company	100 ..	par Nominal
Bengal Credit Mobiler (Lim.)	100 ..	180 to 190pm
Bishnauth Tea Company	100 ..	252
Ditto, contributory	10 ..	8 to 4 pm.
Bonded Warehouse Association	415 ..	615 to 650
Borokai Tea Company (Limited)	80 ..	5 .. par
British India Tea	50 ..	2 to 3 pm.
Brunton's Press Company (Limited) ..	100 ..	75 to 80
Burdwan Stone Company	100 ..	15
Cachar and Assam Tea Company ..	200 ..	15 to 16 dis.
Ditto (Contributory)	115 ..	500 to 710
Cachar Tea Company	450 ..	50 to 55 pm.
Ditto	600 ..	1350 to 1355
Calcutta Docking Company	700 ..	570 to 575
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	52 ..	62
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway ..	100 ..	101
Central Assam Tea Company	200 ..	255 to 260
Central Cachar Tea Company	200 ..	260 to 262
Ditto, new shares	25 ..	5 to 10 dis.
Chatlawhar Tea Company	100 ..	par
Commercial Transport Association ..	100 ..	90 to 92
Dehra Doon Tea Company	500 ..	710
Delhi Bank Corporation	100 ..	96 to 97
Joshi Teria Tea Company	100 ..	96 to 97
Jooteriah Tea Company (Limited) ..	100 ..	5 dis.
Durrung Tea Company	100 ..	75 to 80
E. B. Indigo Company	100 ..	30 to 32
East India Coal Company	218 ..	217
East India Railway Company	100 ..	116 to 120
Ditto, contributory	80 ..	12 to 13 pm.
Eastern Bengal Tea Company	50 ..	55 to 56
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100 ..	125 to 130
Ditto, contributory	65 ..	20 to 22 pm.
Eastern Bengal Railway Company ..	218 ..	216 to 218
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000 ..	1220 to 1225
Eastman and Company	250 ..	220 to 225
Equitable Coal Company	250 ..	215 Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company ..	500 ..	Nominal
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250 ..	250 to 255
Gola Ghaut Tea Company	250 ..	308
Ditto new shares	250 ..	272 to 275
Goswary Cotton Mills	85 ..	12 to 15 dis.
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank ..	250 ..	309
Houghly Steam Tug Company	1000 ..	1200
Houghly Lighter Association	80 ..	10 to 15 dis.
Hope Town Tea Association	100 ..	105
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company ..	100 ..	105
Howrah Docking Company	535 ..	535
Howrah and Company	250 ..	200 to 220
Hunter and Company	1000 ..	775 to 800
India General Steam Navigation Co. ..	200 ..	745 to 750
Jorehaut Tea Company	10 0 ..	250
Kunchunpore Tea Company	125 ..	20 to 25 pm.
Ditto, contributory	250 ..	245 to 248
Kursong and Darjeeling Tea Co.	125 ..	3 to 5 dis.
Ditto, contributory	100 ..	20 to 25 dis.
Landing Shipping	65 ..	par to 5 pm.
Leibong and Minchout Tea Company ..	25 ..	par
Lofty Cotton Screw Company	35 ..	50
Lower Assam Tea Company	155 ..	50 to 55 pm.
Luckimpore Tea Company	60 ..	par
Monacherra Tea Company	70 ..	15 to 14 pm.
Moran Tea Company (Limited)	50 ..	par
Muttuck Tea Company	100 ..	122
Mutual Tea Company	70 ..	16 to 18 pm.
Ditto, contributory	250 ..	320
National Bank of India (Limited) ..	600 ..	1400 to 1450
New Fort Gloster Company	100 ..	70 to 75
North-West Indigo Company	80 ..	par
North-West Screwing Company	21 ..	124 to 13
Oriental Gas Company	100 ..	75 to 80
Peoples Bank of India	1000 ..	1000 to 1200
Port Canning Land Company	100 ..	120 to 123
Punjab Bank	75 ..	10 pm.
Punjab Trading	100 ..	100 dull
Paukabarre Tea Company	37 ..	par Nomina
Ditto		

Ramghur Tea Company	100	par
Ditto	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	142
R. Scott Thomson and Company	495	495
Serwint Company (Limited)	200	185
Sea Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.
Seebauger Tea Company	100	82
Simla Bank	500	650 to 655
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Sumo Tea Company	80	12 to 15 pm.
Sourisore Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1510
Ditto	750	450 to 480 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100	78 to 80
Spence's Hotel Company	25	230
Spence's Pressing Company (Limited)	624	9 to 10 pm.
Silverwood Cachar Tea Company	200	167 to 170
Tirhoot Indigo	200	200 to 202
Tuckar Tea Company	200	200 to 205
Ditto, contributory	70	par
Union Steam Tug Company	250	220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	100	180 to 182
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to 240
Ditto, contributory	190	14 to 16 dis.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
Saltpetre ...	21 5 0 to 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0
Sugar	Nominal.	1 10 0 0 0 0
Rice	do.	Nominal.
Seeds	2 5 0 to 0 0 0	2 0 0 0 0 0
Jute	2 5 0 to 0 0 0	2 5 0 0 0 0
Cotton	2 10 0 0 0 0	3 0 0 3 2 6

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

PROJECTED SANITARIUM.—Government are about to try whether the Puchmaree Hill, in the Central Provinces, can be used for the purpose of a sanitarium. With this view orders have been issued to clear it to a certain extent, and Captain Mackenzie, Commissioner of the Nerbudda division, has been directed to proceed there at once, and lay out plans for a station. The climate is said to be mild and genial, and a company of soldiers from Jubbalpore will be sent up as an experiment to see whether it will prove a sanitarium or not.

A COURT OF ENQUIRY, of which Colonel Halliday, 12th Regiment N. I. is president, has been sitting at Kamptee, to investigate charges of a social character, made against Captain Deacon, Paymaster of the Royal Regiment, which we fear will oblige that officer to resign the service.—*Central India Times.*

INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION AT NAGPORE.—It has been proposed by the Chief Commissioner to have an Exhibition, Rural and Industrial, at Nagpore in December or January next, and Government have promised to give 20,000 rupees towards it on condition that an equal sum is raised locally. We shall notice this more fully in our next.

DEATH OF CAPTAIN M'BRIDE.—We are sorry to announce the death of Captain John M'Brice, Assistant Commissary of Ordnance of the Madras Veteran Establishment, well known as a long resident in this station. The deceased officer landed in India in 1818 or '19, and was appointed to the Ordnance Department on the 27th December, 1825. He served with the force from Sholapore directed to proceed against Vuttoo in 1824, proceeded from Sholapore with the force ordered against Oomraige in 1825 in charge of a six-pounder gun, and lost his right eye by a gunshot wound at the assault of that place on the 28th February, 1825.—*Central India Times.*

COURTS OF REQUESTS.—We learn with some surprise that Brigadier General Shubrick, commanding at Kamptee, will not allow any of the officers under his command to be summoned before the Cantonment Joint Magistrate's Court, which is also the Small Cause Court for Kamptee. In most of the stations in the North-West Provinces Courts of Requests have been abolished where there are Courts of Small Causes. The Brigadier General, we believe, argues that Courts of Requests were established by Act of Parliament, and therefore a similar Act is necessary for their abolition, hence his objection to recognise Captain Playfair's Court.

LIEUT. COL. F. J. GOLDSMID.—The Governor-general in Council has been pleased to nominate Lieutenant-Colonel F. J. Goldsmid, Madras Staff Corps, to be Superintendent of the Indo-European Telegraph, vice Lieutenant-Colonel P. Stewart, deceased.

FEMALE NORMAL SCHOOL AT NAGPORE.—We hear that a Female Normal School is to be immediately established in the city of Nagpore, and that the services of a qualified European lady have been obtained for the Institution.

FAREWELL TO MR. TEMPLE.—Mr. Temple, Chief Commissioner for the Central Provinces, leaves India on the 14th May, on twelve months' visit to England. He has parted from his subjects amidst the most cordial demonstrations of esteem. The Rajah Janojee Bhonsla gave a splendid entertainment at the Toulsee Bagh of Nagpore in honour of Mr. Temple, when the Rajah delivered, in Hindustani, a speech highly eulogistic of the Commissioner, enumerating the great and substantial benefits which the Central Provinces have received from his enlightened and vigorous administration. A few days afterwards Mr. Temple held a farewell durbar, the Residency being illuminated with great splendour. There were present 150 native gentlemen, as well as most of the European residents of Nagpore. Mr. Temple addressed the assembly, especially thanking the honorary magistrates for the assistance they had rendered him.—*Times of India.*

MESSES IN MADRAS.—A correspondent of the *Athenaeum and Daily News* makes the following remarks on this subject:—"Where are those homes of bachelors, those well-kept and well-attended institutions, of which our Presidency was justly proud? and where are their supporters? Echo glances at the Army List, and forbears the time-honoured answer—where? Without deep research corps may be found with only one officer actually belonging to the regiment with it, and he not a dining member, whilst only three of the whole corps can ever more return to that regiment in the course of events. Staff corps men and officers of broken-up regiments you may attach in dozens to reap the benefit of the thrift or judgment of the former members of the mess, but they pay no donations, and are but birds of passage. The palmy days of regimental (N.I.) messes are numbered with the past, and yet the order is not issued to break up the messes, and give to members a fair share of their own (as has been done in Bengal and with the broken-up regiments), and unhappy local officers are to see the properties of the mess they have subscribed to for years unequally at the mercy of a shoal of outsiders. Let Government choose this opportunity to establish station messes wherever the Madras troops are stationed—let the allowances of the messes be given in proportion to the number of regiments, and you would again have creditable mess-houses, good messes and a great degree of tone pervading each cantonment. Most regiments march camp fashion, and they could lay in the stores before starting from the station mess, making over the surplus if they had any at the new station. Every year would add to the prosperity and wealth of a mess that never had to move."

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 6. Arracan, Sladen, Rangoon; str. Arabia, —, Calcutta; str. Simla, Weston, Suez; str. Moulmein, Gray, Calcutta;—9. Indemity, Jenkins, Colombo; Eastern Empire, Jury, Mauritius; Edmondshury, Varley, Port Natal;—10. Cashmere, Baxter, Bombay; Glenallock, Buchanan, Liverpool.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per H.M. str. Arracan.—Capt. and Mrs. Trimy, Lieut. Russell, 25th Regt. M.N.I., Apothecaries Lincoln and Mansfield.

Per str. Arabia.—For Madras.—Dr. Fitzgerald, Mr. E. Hankey, Mr. L. E. Todd. For Suez.—Mr. and Mrs. Newton and four children, Mr. Morland, Mr. P. Seliger, Mr. P. Granin, Mr. Muehlin. For Marseilles.—Capt. Johnson, Maj. Thomson, Mrs. Atkinson and two children, Mr. and

Mrs. Lindstedt, Mr. Hyde, Mr. Grof, Col. and Mrs. Chamberlain and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson and two children, Capt. Hampton, Mr. W. P. Duff, Mr. Moulouque, Mr. and Mrs. Conjon, Mrs. Cuffe, Col. Wilson, G.B., M's. G. Christ and infant, Mr. C. J. Rowland, Mr. and Mrs. Homan and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Higgs, Dr. Charles, Capt. and Mrs. Fosherry and four children, Mrs. Young and three children, Maj. M. Dyne, Mr. and Mrs. Mackrue, Mr. B. Hamilton, Capt. J. G. Piton.

Per P. and O. S. N. Co's str. Simla.—Mr. S. Moss, Mr. Powis, Mr. Lloyd, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Pearson, Mr. C. Reynolds, Asst.-surg. Ashton, Mr. Johnson.

Per str. Moulmein.—Mrs. B. Thompson, Mr. J. Milne, Maj. Baldwin, Mr. A. M. Alone, Mr. A. M. Smith, Capt. Grone and lady, Miss Merrill, Mrs. Laville, Mrs. Hooper, E. de Lemmas, Col. Nott and lady, two Masters Vally.

Per Indemity.—Mrs. Jenkins.

Per Glenallock.—Mr. A. Blackwood.

DEPARTURES.

April 6. Tubal Cain, Butler, Rangoon.—7. Mauritius, Regnier, Bordeaux; str. Simla, Weston, Calcutta; str. Arabia, Patterson, Galle.—8. Unicorn, Horn, Singapore Auevca, Western, London.

BOMBAY.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MISSION INTO CENTRAL ASIA.—A flat contradiction is given by the *Lahore Chronicle* to the statement of the *Friend of India* regarding a proposed expedition into Central Asia. The *Chronicle* says:—"The *Friend of India* of the 13th inst. publishes a very circumstantial account of a proposed expedition into Central Asia, which he highly approves, and thinks ought to have been undertaken long ago. We feel grieved to awaken our contemporary from his pleasant dream, for really his statement is nothing less than visionary; but it is our stern duty to assure him that the Punjab Government has neither encouraged nor sanctioned any wild mission of the nature he describes, nor has it the least intention of doing so; and we may further express our belief that the head of the local administration never heard that such a scheme was afloat until he read the account in the *Friend*, who owes it to himself to explain from whence he derived his information, as people will, otherwise, be apt to think the *canard* was hatched at Serampore." Our Lahore correspondent writes to us, under date the 11th April, on the subject of this mission, as follows:—"After all, the proposed mission to Khokund has ended in smoke, Government having stepped in at the last moment and cruelly put an extinguisher on it by prohibiting the party from proceeding. Thus are crushed all the fond hopes of the enthusiastic individuals whose souls have for the last month been wrapped up in the thought of this romantic and lovely undertaking."

A FATAL MARCH.—The military station of Mhow seems destined to be continually associated with military errors and misfortunes of one kind or another. We deeply regret to learn that a grievous disaster has befallen a detachment of artillery consisting of one hundred Europeans which left Mhow on the 12th inst., en route for Kirkee. A march or two from Mhow they were attacked by cholera, and the detachment was obliged to return to Mhow with a loss of nearly one-third of the number. We trust that Government will institute an inquiry into the orders which have led to such a deplorable waste of life, and that no pains will be spared to ascertain the exact quarter in which the blame lies. The road through the jungle there is well known to be deadly at this season, and unless the military authorities at Mhow exerted themselves to prevent the march of these brave men, they are clearly responsible for their untimely deaths. If they did perform their duty in that respect, then a very grave responsibility rests elsewhere.—*Times of India.*

THE MAHARAJA HOLKAR AND HIS HAREM.—Preparations on a grand scale are being made, both at Indore and Mhow, on account of the Maharaja Holkar adding another lady to his harem. It is said the number already there is very great, among whom is an Englishwoman.—*Letter in Bombay Catholic Examiner.*

ATTEMPT ON THE LIFE OF AN OFFICER.—

A correspondent has kindly favoured us with the following account of an attempt, by a sowar, on the life of Major Mainwaring, of the 2nd Regiment Sind Horse:—"Jacobabad, April 10.—This morning a sowar of the 2nd Regt. Sind Horse, having obtained permission to absent himself from the quarter-guard, went to the bungalow of the officer commanding the regiment, Major Dick. He had, providentially, selected a longer route on his return from the parade-ground, and by so doing had unwittingly disappointed the man's expectations. Foiled here, he next visited the adjacent bungalow of the officer commanding the 1st Regt. Sind Horse; not finding that officer, and determined to secure some victim, he went to the next bungalow. Addressing Major Mainwaring's orderly, he asked to see the owner of the house, and to the orderly's rejoinder as to what he wanted, said that he had a request to make of the 'sahib.' Major Mainwaring chanced to overhear the conversation, and having come out, asked the man what he wanted. The sowar immediately levelled his carbine and fired at him; the first shot missed, and Major Mainwaring's orderly was just in time to render the contents of the second barrel useless by knocking up the carbine as it was being discharged. Breaking from the orderly, the sowar, with sword drawn, rushed at Major Mainwaring, who dodged the cut aimed at him, grappled with the man, and with the assistance of his orderly and servants secured him. Major Mainwaring, with the exception of a slight wound in the hand, escaped unscathed. While struggling with Major Mainwaring, the sowar received a rather severe sword-cut on the left arm and shoulder, from the orderly. The man is now awaiting trial in Jacobabad jail. He is a Mussulman; he had been refused furlough a short time before the occurrence, and disappointed in the special object of his revenge, determined to avenge himself on the class to which his intended victim belonged. Intoxication by spirituous liquor or drug, fanaticism, or insanity, do not seem to have actuated him.—*Bombay Gazette*.

COMMERCIAL PROSPECTS IN BOMBAY.—The *Bombay Gazette* gives rather a doleful account of commercial prospects in that Presidency. The troubles are accumulating in Bombay, pretty much in the same manner as the gathering clouds portend the storm. It is impossible to say whether the storm will burst right upon us, or pass lightly off. Although there is the most disastrous outlook ahead for Bombay, the confidence of the public has not been so much affected by the last American news announcing the capture of Richmond and Petersburg as the character of the news might have suggested. That confidence is maintained more by the apparent firmness of English feeling in the face of events that have almost put an end to the Southern Confederacy, than by the remotest expectation that any return to the old "prosperity" is in the least degree probable. But as the American struggle drags itself nearer and nearer to its issue, and the prospects of peace become more probable; as every day may bring a telegram from England announcing that the faith of English merchants is departing, the feeling in Bombay is very unsettled and desponding. The depots are still filled with cotton bales which no amount of shipments seems to diminish,—every day pouring in a fresh supply from the interior—and as much of the cotton has been purchased at a time when rates ruled double their present figures, the losses to large numbers of dealers will be immense. One of the most pregnant signs of the time is the closing of the share market. It has utterly collapsed for the present. Who could have prophesied such a catastrophe to speculation in Bombay four months ago? We might have indulged in the dream that shares would fall to a reasonable quotation, but the formal closing of the share market, never.

THE RAJAH OF BHUTPORE.—On his way to Hurdwar, the Rajah Bulwent Sing of Bhutpore paid a visit to Roorkee, and took the opportunity of inspecting the workshops. His Highness, who was attended by a number of native gentlemen, members of his court, appeared surprised and delighted with all that was shown him, and more especially with the castings in the foundry, under the immediate superintendence of the foreman. His Highness, who appears to be about fifteen years of age, is an intelligent looking youth, and displays much solicitude to learn something of everything calculated to improve the welfare of the people over whom he reigns. Before taking leave, the Rajah ordered the sum of Rs. 300 to be distributed among the workmen.

RETURN OF NATIVE REGIMENTS FROM CHINA.

—A letter from Hong Kong, dated the 19th of March, says:—"The head-quarters of the 22nd Regt. N.I., consisting of Col. Beale and 607 men and officers, left Hong Kong in the sailing ship *Oasis* on the morning of the 16th inst. The men were very much crowded and inconvenienced. A medical board had protested against more than 500 men being put on board this ship, which is only 1,116 tons register. The remaining portion of the 22nd Regt. leave Hong Kong about the 25th inst. in the ship *Jane Leech*, 910 tons register, and consists of 126 men and native officers, under Major J. G. Scott. They are expected to take about fifty days on the passage. There were several steamers fit, and could have been got for £5,000, capable of conveying the whole regiment, and the voyage could have been accomplished in twenty days. But no; the removal of the native troops had caused Indian pay to cease in Hong Kong, so no consideration was likely to be shown. The *Oasis* was taken up for £1,750, and the *Jane Leech* tendered at £13 a-head, for the 126 men. The amount of money Government will lose by their proceeding is just £4,600, as the men's rations cease on reaching India. The men are many of them in a very sickly state, and with a fifty days' voyage feeding on parched gram and other dry food, it may be safely assumed that there will be numerous cases of scurvy among them. But there is no Mansfield in China to protect native soldiers. The sepoys feel acutely the way they have been treated in China, and they may not unlikely spread reports that would deter native regiments from again embarking for the Celestial Empire.—*Times of India*.

SIGNS OF THE SEASON.—In nearly all parts of India the heat has been excessive, less rain than usual having fallen; but there has recently been rain in Southern India, and an early monsoon is generally expected. There have been a great number of isolated cases of cholera in many parts of India; but in nearly every instance the proximate cause is apparent, as,—impure or stagnant water—foul accumulations on the windward of cantonments and villages—or the crowding together of travel-worn and dirty pilgrims. In nearly all these circumstances foresight and energy would avert the danger. An instance where these qualities were exercised, and probably several lives saved thereby, should be named. At Kurrachee one or two cases of cholera had occurred in the 23rd Regt. N.I., but the commanding officer, Major Campbell, being promptly and efficiently assisted by the managers there of the Scinde Railway, was enabled to remove the whole of the troops in the course of twelve hours.—*Times of India*.

VERY SAD.—The Chaplain of Anarkullee has great cause of complaint against certain members of the congregation who write their names, but more frequently only their initials, in a most illegible manner, on the cards they put into the offertory plate. We have one or two before us now, of which it is impossible to make anything. One card is inscribed with the single word "Miss," no doubt by mistake. *Lahore Chronicle*.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION.—The *Bombay Gazette* says:—"If there were ever a real need in Bombay it is that of hotel accommodation, a most amusing incident in connection with which has recently occurred. The P. and O. Company's steamer *Ottawa*, which arrived from China on Sunday last, brought on to Bombay a large number of Australian and other passengers who, unable to proceed by the corresponding steamer at Galle, and unable, also, to procure hotel accommodation at the latter place, determined on coming to Bombay, for the purpose of being conveyed to England by the steamer of the 29th. On arrival here they found the *Orissa*, the boat which takes on the next mail, full to overflowing; and as to hotel accommodation, there was none of any kind whatever to be had. In this emergency the Superintendent of the P. and O. Company permitted these unfortunate passengers to be located on board the *Ottawa*, an advantage which, they assure us, it took but little time to appreciate. Now, in the first place, there never was such an opportunity for the display of individual cleverness and joint-stock enterprise as at the present time, in the formation of a good hotel company; the thing, if properly managed, would pay magnificently. In the second, a line of steamers to run on alternate fortnights with the P. and O. would be an immense boon. It is to be hoped Messrs. Sterns, Hobart and Co. will persevere in their efforts, and not be deterred by any illiberality of patronage they may at first experience. The want of a second line of steamers is severely felt, and that want the above-named gentlemen can supply far better than any Messageries Imperiales Company.

THE BOMBAY EXHIBITION.—The *Gazette* says:—"We are glad to learn that there is now no doubt of the scheme of an International Exhibition for Bombay being carried out next year. The difficulty of obtaining money in these hard times from a great number of petty shareholders has induced the promoters of the Exhibition to determine to wind up the joint-stock company, and to rely upon a system of guarantees. The leading native gentlemen of the Presidency have come nobly forward to save Bombay from the disgrace and ridicule of a collapse of this grand undertaking, and the sum of twenty-five lakhs, to be raised it is hoped to forty-five lakhs, has already been guaranteed. The guarantors have resolved to appoint Mr. T. C. Hayllar managing director in Bombay. The Governor, who takes the warmest interest in the project, has applied to the Governor-General to become the Indian patron of the Exhibition, her Majesty the Queen having graciously consented to accept the office of patron in England, and it is anticipated that the Prince of Wales will now become president of the home committee.

WEEKLY COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ENGLAND AND BOMBAY.—A memorial from the members of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce to Lord Stanley of Alderley in support of the London merchants' memorial for a weekly mail to India on a fixed day of the week, and praying for the establishment of a weekly mail in the same manner from Bombay to England, was transmitted through the Government of Bombay by the mail of the 14th inst.—*Times of India*, April 28.

MEET ME BY MOONLIGHT ALONE.—The *Times of India* has "received an authenticated letter from a resident at an out-station, complaining that a letter was addressed to his wife by an officer asking her to meet him clandestinely. She handed the letter to her husband, who sends us the name of the officer inculpated, and requests us to publish the facts of the case."

THE ROHILLAS are reported to be getting troublesome again in the Nizam's territories, and some gang robberies having taken place a party of Arab troops have been despatched against them.

FAREWELL TO LADY FRERE.—The Student's Literary and Scientific Society presented an address to Lady Frere, on the occasion of her departure to England. A deputation waited on her ladyship at Government-house, Parell. It was received with great kindness by the Governor and Lady Frere; Miss Frere, Lord John Hay, and the private secretaries being also present.

THE CHOLERA has broken out in the lines of the 23rd N.L.I. at Kurrachee. Ten of the corps have died, and the authorities, to prevent the further spread of the scourge, have ordered them to move into tents. A special train conveyed some of the sepoys with their families to Landi, where they will stay while the epidemic lasts.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 13. Prefet de Montigne, Bondon, Havre; Hydree, Crichton, Calcutta; str. Malta, Gibraltar, Suez.—14. Georgiana, Knappman, Calcutta; Aden, Remy, Rangoon; Montrose, McIntyre, Liverpool; Curlew, Page, Lacadive Island.—15. Belgravia, Pentecost, Liverpool.—16. Fez Rabance, Lowther, Calcutta; Mary Crocker, Stuber, Calcutta; Faize Allum, Stafford, Bishree; Aurora, Madlad, Calcutta.—17. Nydia, McKelvie, Liverpool; Zambouia, Griffith, Port Adelaide; Japan, Symon, Lacadive Island.—18. Shah Jehan, Rogers, Calcutta; Tim Whillier, Catter, Liverpool; Ion-stadion, Gibs n, Sunderland.—19. Levant, Ross, Liverpool; Statesman, Morrison, Singapore; Pensacola, Stewart, Liverpool.—20. Ambrose, Daniel, Liverpool; Helvellyn, Benedict, Liverpool; Royal Visitor, Forsyth, Liverpool; str. Costentia, Pardy, Galle.—22. Albuera, Lievack, London.—23. str. Ottawa, Eastley, Hong Kong; Burnah, Irvine, Calcutta; Mistress of the Seas, Ockney, Liverpool; Tigra, Gould, Moularia; Cutch Merchant, Achil, Calcutta.—24. Americana, Potts, Rangoon; Chippawa, Lamont, Kurrachee; Latona, Ledwick, Calcutta.—25. str. Baraja, Haselwood, Suez.—26. str. Charles Napier, Bell, Liverpool; Temysan, Clarke, Liverpool; Khundesh, McPherson, Glasgow; str. Kuma, Trout, Suez.—27. str. Ephraim, Day, M-sorah; Egeria, Barnes, Liverpool; Rescue, Thelaud, Liverpool.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Malta.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Miss Merritt, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Atkin, Mr. Budd, Mr. Jax Lloyd, Miss Hurst, Mr. H. Johnson, Mr. P. Warren, Mr. C. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Swan, Mr. Cumberland, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Helm, Mr. Sevestre, Mr. D. Lee, Mr. T. Weatherburn, Mr. W. Boyer, Mr. J. Hume, Mr. Maham and three children, Mr. Edwards, Mrs. Higgs, Mr. Smith. From MARSKILLES.—Mr. Thorwaite, Mr. Sheppard, Mr. Howlet, Mr. Daniell, Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins, Mr. J. Shewell, Mr. Fietch, Mr. Meidinger, Mr. Holland, Mr. Watson, Mrs. Merewether and child, Capt. Carlton, Mr. Astlet. From SUZ.—Mr. Siagrandi, Mr. Hardy.

DEPARTURES.

April 13. Myrtle, Murr, Liverpool.—14. City of Pekin, Reid, Liverpool; Clyde, Woodmass, London; str. Carnatic, Angove, Aden and Suez; W. A. Farnsworth, Thorneick, Hong Kong.—15. str. Jedd, Dundas, Hong Kong.—17. Herald, McGrath, Liverpool.—18. Lancashire, Geething, Penambuco; Marquard Family, Kolback, Bishree; Hahnemann, Phillips, Liverpool.—20. Nile, Bristow, Lutrin; Castrina, McGarry, Calcutta.—22. str. Singapore, Black, Hong Kong; Saugor, Gigueaux, Bordeaux via Coast; Salamanc, Livesay, London via Kurrachee; Glen Ida, Cowin, Calcutta.—25. Stag, Ellis, Mauritius; str. Coronandel, Carew, Kurrachee.—27. Queen of the Seas, Poters, Liverpool; Joadul Manen, Jarvis, Calcutta.—29. P. and O. str. Orissa, Curing, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Orissa.—Mr. T. F. Gray, Mr. Blair, Mr. and Mrs. Brown and child, Mr. Hall, Mr. R. Temple, Mr. and Mrs. Bickerton and child, Mr. McNeill, Mr. Scott, Mr. Whylock, Mr. Paton, Mr. Turner, Mr. Downie, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke, Mr. Dalziel, Mr. Kupperberg, Mr. T. Parsons, Capt. Greig, Mr. J. E. Todd. To ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. Montehiore. To MARSKILLES.—Mrs. L. Reid, Mr. W. Ramsay, Mr. C. F. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Inverarity, Mrs. Miss, and Master Cloughton, Miss Gibson, Rev. Mr. Thurston, Master Layard, Col. Hughes, Mrs. Keatinge, Mr. Q. L. Younge, Mrs. Dawes and children, Mr. C. Hani, Mr. and Mrs. Broughton, Mr. and Mrs. Lvall and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Engle and two children, Capt. Spiers, Mr. Turnbull, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. F. Fletcher, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Shipster, Mr. Wise, Capt. Barnes, Lieut. Mayne, Mr. Kunchent, Lieut. Ellis, Mr. J. P. Lenth, Capt. E. K. Dawson, Mr. J. W. Haley, Mr. and Mrs. Monnet, Mr. and Mrs. Hallen and infant, Mr. Brown, Mr. H. E. Lecke, Mrs. Malcolmson, Capt. Gubbins, Lieut. Reeves, Commr. Tracy, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. Ashton, Mr. A. Watson, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Angel. To MALTA.—Mr. R. W. Graham. To SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Gordon and child, Mr.

and Mrs. Partridge, Mrs. Fuller and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Beaumont and five children, Mrs. Hill and child, Miss Thompson, Mr. G. Coote, Mrs. Warden, Lieut. Taylor, Mrs. Marple, Capt. Le Crow, Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Macarish, Mr. Spiers, Mr. J. C. Dixon, Mr. W. Foxon, Miss Dixon, Mr. Ward n, Mr. Fenn, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Hamilton and child, Lieut. Lofthouse, Mrs. Stopson and infant, Mrs. Fraser and child, Mr. W. H. S. Crawford, Mr. J. Matchett, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Pen-on, Mrs. Tighe and infant, Mr. J. Smith, Mrs. and Miss D'Aguilar, Mrs. Barnett and four children, Capt. Boxer, R.N., Mrs. Williams, Mr. Power.

VESSELS SPOKEN.

Per Belgravia.—On Jan. 15, Scotland, from London to Calcutta, in lat. 1-27 N., long. 40-1 W., 36 days out. Jan. 17, the Union, from Leth to Rio Janeiro, in lat. 1 N., long. 23-17 W., Jan. 24, Enna, from Liverpool to Calcutta, in lat. 15-43 S., long. 30-20 W., 45 days out. Feb. 16, Paradise, from C. Negres to Hong Kong, in lat. 38-47 S., long. 27-5 E., Feb. 15, Cheviot, from Greenock to Melbourne, in lat. 38-20 S., long. 24-1 E., 72 days out. Feb. 2, Agenora, from Liverpool to Singapore, in lat. 34-57 S., long. 18-15 W., 47 days out. March 4, Clara, from Liverpool to Singapore, in lat. 21-45 S., long. 63-15 E., 66 days out. March 8, Delbadin Castle, from Bombay to Liverpool, in lat. 12-49 S., long. 65-30 E., 23 days out. March 14, Persia, from Greenock to Muscat, in lat. 6-52 S., long. 65-4 E., 92 days out. Per Ambrose.—Jan. 24, Flora, from London to Madras, in lat. 27-5 S., long. 26-17 W., 48 days out. Jan. 31, Ionistallen, from Sunderland to Bombay, in lat. 35-43 S., long. 10-56 W., 49 days out. Feb. 2, Fort William, from Liverpool to Calcutta, in lat. 57-14 S., long. 7-50 W., 60 days out. Feb. 2, Cheviot, from London to Madras, in lat. 37-14 S., long. 7-50 W., 54 days out. Feb. 9, Persia, from Greenock to Muscat, in lat. 39-44 S., long. 16-40 W., 60 days out. March 29, Albura, from London to Bombay, in lat. 1-33 S., long. 70-23 E., 122 days out.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, April 28, 1865.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks—at 6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s 4d. 6 ditto ditto 2s 4d. Cred. Bills. 6 ditto ditto 2s 1d. Duets. 101½ On Calcutta, at sight, per 100 100½ Ditto at 30 days' ditto 100½ Ditto at 60 days' ditto 95½ On Madras, at 30 days' ditto 100 On China, at 60 days' ditto Rs. 220 per 100 dols.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES.

Agra Bank (Rs. 500)	150 pr. cent pm.
Assatic Bank	115
Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000)	110 do.
Bank of India (Rs. 25)	36 pm.
Broker's Banking Co. (Rs. 20)	12 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 250)	120 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200)	120 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500)	80 do.
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200) ..	100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 20)	83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 250)	160 do. inc. n. sh.
Oriental Bank Corporation (Rs. 250)	170 pm.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25)	28 do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000)	137 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000)	par
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 2,700)	Rs. 6,000 p. sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667)	Rs. 14,500 p. sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co.—	
(A) share (Rs. 6,000)	3600
(B) share (Rs. 6,000)	Rs. 1,200 pm.
Freer Press Co. (Rs. 250)	25 pm.
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,200)	5 per cent. dis.
Great Indian Peninsular Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 218-3-0)	Rs. 5 do. dis.
Ditto, New 220 Shares (Rs. 87-4-4)	par.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 600 prem.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 100 prem.
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company (Rs. 1,100)	Rs. 25 prem.
Manockjee Pitty's Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 850)	Rs. 400
House and Land Investment Co. (Rs. 200) ..	Rs. 3,000
Bombay Shipping Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 700 dis.
Iron Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 25 pm.
Oriental Ship Owning Association (Rs. 250) ..	Rs. 800 dis.
Prince of Wales Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 250
Western India Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 3,200 p. sh.
Hydraulic Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 500 prem.
Coria Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 90,000 pr. sh.
Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 400
Colaba Land Co. (Rs. 10,000)	Rs. 21,000 pm.
Bond & Warehouse Co. (Rs. 400)	Rs. 150 prem.
Back Bay Reclamation Co., Rs. 5,000 paid-up Oriental Weaving and Spinning Company (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 100 prem.
Royal Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 1,500) ..	Rs. 100 prem.
Victoria Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 1,000 prem.

PRICE OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns	Rs. 10-6
Bank of England Notes	10
Spanish Dollars	210
Carolin Dollars	290
Mexican Dollars	235
Five Franc Pieces, Rs. 232 tolas	208
German Crowns	214½
Bar Silver, 17 and 17½ dwt. better, per 100 tolas ..	106-10
Sycee Silver	105
Gold Leaf 99½ touch	16-12
Gold Bars, English	16-10
Ditto, Pekin	16-5

FREIGHTS.

To London—Cotton, nominal; Seeds, £1 1s. 6d. to £1 10s. To Liverpool—Cotton, £1 7s. 6d. to £2 2s. 6d.; Seeds, £1 5s. to £1 7s. 6d.



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Fort William, April 1.—No. 3,204.—The following prom. is sanctioned in the telegraph dept. from the date of Lieut. col. P. Stewart's death:—Mr. C. Galbraith, supt., at present offic. as director of the western div., to be director.

RETIRING PENSIONS OF CHAPLAINS.

April 5.—No. 3,205.—The Gov. gen. in Council directs the publication of the following despatch from the Right hon. the Secy. of State for India, No. 32, dated Feb. 17.

The rules contained in this despatch supersede those published in the Gazette of India of Oct. 15, 1864:—

Financial.—No. 32.

India Office, London, Feb. 17.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

Sir,—I have considered in Council your Ecclesiastical letter, dated Dec. 8 last, No. 13, in which you recommend for favourable consideration the proposition of the Bishop of Calcutta, that chaplains who may retire prior to the occurrence of a vacancy in the senior chaplaincies, and who would consequently only receive a pension of £292 per annum, may be admitted to the increased pension of £365 as soon as a vacancy occurs, which would render pensions of that amount available.

2. On a reconsideration of the whole question, and the inconvenience shown to be likely to arise from not limiting the period of chaplain's service, H.M.'s Government are of opinion that, instead of acceding to the proposition now submitted, it would be better, for the interests of the service, that the following rules should be published in substitution of those sanctioned in my financial despatch of the 30th July last, No. 186, to take effect from the 15th October last, the date of the publication of that despatch in India:—

I.—A chaplain retiring after completing the full period of service, as prescribed by Government regulations, shall receive a pension of £365 per annum. This rule to come into operation in each Presidency as soon as either of the two senior chaplaincies in that Presidency is vacant.

II.—Every chaplain shall be compelled to retire after 25 years from the date of the commencement of his service in India, unless specially retained in the service by the Secretary of State for India in Council on the recommendation of the Governor General in Council or Governor in Council of his Presidency. This rule to come into operation in three years.

III.—During the next three years the second chaplain may succeed to the senior chaplaincy, and the third to the second chaplaincy; but if either of them accepts that advantage, he thereby forfeits his claim to the increased pension. After three years there shall be no more appointments to the two senior chaplaincies, but the incumbents then existing, if any, may retain them, unless they fall under the operation of Rule II. The incumbents now existing, in order to entitle themselves to the increased pension, must resign before the end of three years.

IV.—The lower rates of pension payable to chaplains compelled by ill health to retire after a shorter period of service, shall remain as at present.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) C. Wood.

No. 3,206.—Mr. F. M. Lind, C.S., is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl. for a period of 3 years from the date of embarkation.

No. 3,207.—The Gov. gen. in Council has been pleased to grant Mr. H. B. Medicott, dep. supt. of the Geological Survey of India, leave of abs. for 6 mo.

April 6.—No. 3,209.—The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Calcutta has granted 10 days' priv. leave to the Rev. C. S. P. Parish, chaplain of Moulmein, in ext.

No. 3,212.—Lieut. M. M. Bowie, asst. comr., Sumbulpore, in the Central Provinces, offic. as dist. superint. of police of that dist. from Oct. 24 to

Feb. 15. This cancels notification No. 1,766, dated Feb. 23.

No. 3,214.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to appt. Mr. J. Hornby, insp. of police, to offic. temp. as dist. superint. of police, Chindwarra, v. Capt. E. B. Clay, res.

April 7.—No. 3,216.—Mr. F. Wyllie, asst. sec. to the chief comr. of the Central Provinces, to offic. as director of public instruction in those Provinces, in addition to his own duties, as a temp. arrangement.

No. 3,218.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Messrs. F. W. R. Fryer, S. S. Thorburn, and J. W. Gardiner, of the C.S., reported qualified for the public service, to the N.W.P., the Punjab, and Oude, and to place their services at the disposal of the foreign dept. for employment in the Punjab.

No. 3,219.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to appt. Maj. A. E. Wilkinson, asst. comr., 3rd grade, Oude, to offic. as city mag. of Lucknow, during the absence on leave of Maj. Chamberlain, or until further orders.

No. 3,221.—Maj. T. H. Chamberlain, city mag., Lucknow, availed himself on the afternoon of the 10th ult. of the 24 days' prep. leave granted him in G.O. No. 2,220, dated 10th idem.

No. 3,223.—With reference to section 8 of Act XXII. of 1864, the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased, under section 23 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to invest the following officers with the powers of a mag. :—

Capt. R. A. Cole, within the limits of the cantonment of Bangalore.

Major R. Renton, within the limits of the cantonment of Mysore.

April 5.—No. 123.—The Gov. Gen. in Council is pleased, with reference to section II., Act VIII. of 1855, to declare the Province of Coorg subject to the Presidency of Madras for the purposes of the said section.

THE MAGISTRACY.

April 6.—No. 795.—A commission of the peace was issued from the High Court of Judicature in Bengal on the 24th ult., directed to the undermentioned officers serving in the central provs. and in Rajpootana :—

Central Provinces.—Capt. E. M. Playfair, cantonment joint mag. of Kamptee.

Rajpootana.—Lieut. A. N. Bruce, asst. to the agent, gov. gen.

Lieut. W. J. W. Muir, asst. to the agent, gov. gen.

Lieut. J. J. Blair, asst. to the agent, gov. gen.

Lieut. A. W. Roberts, offic. asst. to the agent, gov. gen.

Lieut. col. W. F. Eden, pol. agent Meywar.

Lieut. col. J. C. Brook, political agent, Jeypore.

Capt. W. H. Beynon, offic. pol. agent, Jeypore.

Major J. P. Nixon, political agent, Marwar.

Capt. C. K. M. Walter, political agent, Bhurtpore.

Capt. H. Phillpotts, offic. political agent, Harrowtee.

Lieut. col. J. F. W. D. Hall, political supnt., Serohie.

April 5.—No. 296.—Mr. W. S. Steel, consul for H.M. the King of the Netherlands, and vice consul for H.M. the King of Denmark at the port of Rangoon, resumed charge of his duties on Feb. 21.

No. 780.—Asst. surg. W. J. Moore resumed med. charge of the Joudhpore political agency on March 12.

No. 781.—Mr. R. Temple, chief comsnnr. of the Central Provs., has leave for 6 mo., together with 20 days' prep. leave.

The following arrangements are made in consequence :—

Mr. J. S. Campbell, judicial comsnnr., Central Provs., to offic. as chief comsnnr. during Mr. Temple's absence.

Mr. R. E. Egerton, comsnnr. of the Nagpore div., to offic. as judicial comsnnr. of the Central Provs.

Mr. A. C. Lyall, dep. comsnnr. of Hoshungabad, to offic. as comsnnr. of the Nagpore div.

No. 783.—Mr. H. Denny is appt. to offic. as an extra asst. comsnnr. in the Central Provs.

April 7.—No. 804.—The services of Major A. E. Wilkinson, asst. comr., 3rd grade, Oude, are placed temp. at the disposal of the home dept.

No. 806.—Lieut. E. S. Ludlow, prob. asst. supt., Mysore Commission, has priv. leave of absence for 30 days, from date of departure, to proc. to Madras and Galle.

No. 808.—Mr. G. S. Lang, asst. settlement officer in Oude, has leave of absence for 18 days, from 15th inst., or any subsequent date, prep. to applying for furl. to Europe.

No. 812.—The following appointments are made in Rajpootana consequent on the demise of Lieut. col. E. K. Elliot :—

Lieut. col. W. F. Eden to be agent, Gov. gen., for the States of Rajpootana.

Major J. P. Nixon to be political agent, Meywar.

Capt. E. C. Impey, to be political agent, Marwar.

April 1.—No. 1,885.—Mr. J. Christie, 1st asst. dep. auditor and acct. gen., Bombay, to offic. as civil

paymaster, Bombay, from the date of Mr. Mangles' dep. for British Burmah.

OFFICERS REJOINING.

April 6.—No. 1,950.—The underment. despatch is published for general information :—

Financial.—No. 50.

India-office, London, Feb. 28, 1865.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Governor General of India in Council.

Sir,—With reference to section 6 of the new civil absentee rules, which limits to one week the period within which officers absent on privilege leave must rejoin their appointments after the expiration of such leave, I have to acquaint you that it is not intended that the rule in question should be applied in the cases of officers who may have been granted privilege leave prior to the date of the publication of the rules.—I have, &c.,

(Signed) C. Wood.

No. 1,960.—Mr. W. J. Raynor received charge of the office of 1st asst. dep. auditor and accountant gen., Madras, on March 28, 1865, from which date Messrs. J. Mackey and H. A. Moraes reverted, respectively, to the acting appts. of 2nd asst. dep. auditor and accountant gen. and chief asst. in the office establishment of the dep. auditor, Madras.

No. 1,977.—Mr. C. R. Kiernander, chief asst. in charge of the office of dep. auditor and accountant gen., British Burmah, has 1 mo.'s leave of absence.

April 3.—No. 126.—Lieut. G. L. B. Simmons, R.E., asst. engr., 2nd grade, British Burmah, is posted to the Rangoon div.

No. 127.—Three mo. priv. leave have been granted to Mr. Dep. comsny. J. Brook, sub. engr., 1st grade, Mysore, with effect from Jan. 1, 1865.

No. 128.—Mr. W. B. Macrone, exec. engr., 4th grade, offic. in charge of the Boolandshuhur branch of the Ganges Canal, is appt. to offic. as asst. secy. to the Govt. of India, in the public works dept., v. Lieut. C. H. Luard, R.E., who has been appt. to act as dep. consulting engr., railway dept., Bengal.

April 5.—No. 129.—Mr. W. R. Chill, 4th class account., Oude, has been perm. to res. his appt. from Feb. 15.

March 27.—No. 326.—The undermen. officers are perm. to proc. to Eur. on leave on m.c. :—

Lieut. col. T. F. Wilson, c.b., of the Bengal staff corps, comdt., 7th B.C., for 20 mo.

Lieut. (brevet capt.) G. V. Fosbery, of the late 4th Eur. regt., adjt., Calcutta volunteer rifle corps, for 20 mo.

No. 327.—Capt. J. Sykes, of the Bengal staff corps, sub asst. comsny. gen. and offic. dep. asst. comsny. gen., is allowed leave for 1 mo., to Presidency, prep. to leave on m.c. to Eur.

Appointments :—

Punjab Irregular Force.

Peshawur Mountain Train Battery.—Lieut. A. Conolly, doing duty officer, No. 2 light field battery, to be doing duty officer, v. Lieut. Pemberton, app. A.D.C. on the personal staff of the Hon. the Lieut. gov. of the Punjab.

No. 2 Light Field Battery.—Lieut. V. Rivaz, offic. doing duty officer, No. 1 light field battery, to be doing duty officer, v. Lieut. Conolly.

March 29.—No. 330.—The undermentioned officers are admitted to the Bengal Staff Corps, with effect from the dates specified opposite their respective names, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India :—

Lieut. W. S. Brooke, of the late 2nd regt. N.I., asst. comr., Boorhanpore, Central Provinces; Jan. 22, 1863.

Lieut. A. F. P. Harcourt, of the late 30th regt. N.I., asst. comr., Punjab; March 28, 1862.

Lieut. W. G. Cubitt, v.c., of the late 13th regt. N.I., adjt. and offic. wing officer, 16th regt. N.I.; July 16, 1862.

Lieut. B. J. Parsons, of the late 23rd regt. N.I., asst. engr., Meerut div., Ganges Canal, public works dept.; Jan. 10, 1863.

TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

March 30.—No. 332.—The following alterations in G.G.O. No. 778 of Sept. 22, 1864, laying down rules under which officers are allowed to travel at the public expense, are notified for general information :—

In para. 1 the words "otherwise than by sea," are to be inserted after the words "proceeding on public duty."

The following will be substituted for the 5th and 6th paras. of the G.O. above adverted to.

5. When a commissioned or warrant officer is ordered to travel on public duty under any of the above conditions, he must apply to the divisional officer of the quarter master gen.'s dept., or, if time does not admit of a reference to the head quarters of the division, to the brig. or station staff officer on the spot, who will furnish him with either a railway pass, or passage order by any vessel or conveyance by which free or contract passages can be provided, on which pass or order is to be entered a copy of the general, divisional, or garrison order referred to in para. 2.

When no railway pass or passage order can be provided, a certificate to that effect is to be given to the officer.

6. The charge for conveyance supplied on Govt. pass or passage order will be adjusted as heretofore; the officer's certificate that the passage was provided, and, in the case of vessels, that he was messaged on board from, and to such a date, being the only other voucher required. Bills for other passages, vouched by the same certificates and by a certified copy of the order to proceed at the public expense, will be payable on demand to the person supplying the passage by the nearest paymaster; or, if the officer has to pay for his passage, he can recover the amount in the usual way.

No. 335.—The services of Hon. asst. surg. F. H. A. Leach are placed temp. at the disposal of the Govt. of the N.W.P.

No. 336.—The undermen. officer having completed 26 years' service, 8 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be Lieut. col., from the date specified opposite to his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval :—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Maj. J. Fullerton, March 26.

No. 337.—The undermen. officer having completed 12 years' service, 4 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be capt., from the date specified opposite to his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval :—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Lieut. (Brevet capt.) G. B. C. Simpson, Feb. 19.

March 31.—No. 338.—The undermen. officers are permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence, m.c. :—

Capt. W. W. Boddam, of the Bengal staff corps, dist. superint. of police, Punjab, for 20 mo.

Surg. maj. S. A. Homan, of the medical dept., for 20 mo., under the old regs.

No. 339.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on furl. :—Surg. C. T. Paske, of the medical dept., for 3 years, under the old regs.

No. 341.—Major C. H. Byers, of the Bengal staff corps, 2nd in com., and wing officer of the 3rd regt. N.I., is allowed leave of abs. from March 11 to date of embarkation, to Bombay, prep. to furl. to Europe on m.c.

No. 342.—The services of Major C. E. Mills, of the late 28th regt. N.I., are made available for employment under the mil. dept.

No. 344.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on leave of abs. on m.c. :—

Major T. H. Chamberlain, of the Bengal staff corps, city mag., Lucknow, for 20 mo.

April 1.—No. 345.—The servs. of the underment. medical officers are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the Punjab :—

Asst. surg. A. P. Holmes, M.D., attached to the 37th (The Meerut) regt. N.I.

Asst. surg. E. A. Fitzgerald, attached to the 1st N.I.

Asst. surg. R. T. Lyons, attached to the 20th (Punjab) regt. N.I.

April 3.—No. 347.—The services of Major W. Paske, of the Bengal staff corps, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the Punjab.

No. 349.—The undermen. officer has reported his return from England :—

Asst. surg. J. R. Jackson, M.D., of the med. dept., superint., Allahabad central prison; date of arrival at Fort William, March 3.

No. 351.—Dep. comsny. J. Brooke, sub engr. of the dept. of public works, is perm. to retire from the service on the pension of his rank, with effect from March 31, and with perm. to reside and draw his pension in Eur.

No. 352.—The following proms. are made subject to H.M.'s approval :—

Cadre of the late 50th N.I.—Lieut. (capt. in the staff corps) G. J. Reeves to be capt., from March 25. v. Brevet major H. E. Read, dec.

Cadre of the late 53rd N.I.—*Lieut. H. Collett, (staff corps) to be capt., from July 16, 1864, v.

Capt. W. R. E. Alexander, staff corps, prom. in cable of late 53rd N.I.

No. 353.—Dep. asst. comsry. A. Bremner, sub engr., dept. of public works, is perm. to retire from the service on the pension of his rank, with perm. to reside and draw his stipend in India, with effect from March 1.

April 4.—No. 354.—With reference to Govt. G.O. No. 857 of Nov. 1, 1864, the services of Asst. surg. T. W. Sheppard, are placed at the disp. of the Govt. of the N.W.P.

No. 355.—The undermntd. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on urgent private affairs:—

Lieut. E. G. Newnham, of the gen. list inf., doing duty officer 17th Bengal cav., for 6 mo., without pay.

No. 356.—The undermntd. officers are perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on m.c.:—

Maj. H. M. Garstin, of the Bengal staff corps, comdt. of the 42nd (Assam) regt. light inf., for 20 mo.

Capt. (brev. maj.) A. O. Wood, of the late 14th regt. N.I., for 20 mo., under the old regltns.

INDIAN PAY DURING ABSENCE.

No. 357.—The following military letter from the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India, No. 52, dated 25th Feb. last, is published for general information:—

MILITARY No. 52.

India Office, London, Feb. 25, 1865.

To His Excellency the Right Hon. the Governor General of India in Council.

Sir,—Your letter dated 21st Dec. last, No. 491, solicits instructions whether an officer of a British regt. which may be ordered home, and embark not long before the completion of his period of probation, may be allowed to continue in India on Indian pay and allowances, in order to complete the period, pass the tests, and join the staff corps.

2. Your Government are of opinion that, if there is any vacancy for the officer so situated to fill on his passing, or if his joining the staff corps will not unduly increase the number of reserve officers, he may be allowed to remain, provided fair reason for expecting him to pass the tests satisfactorily can be shown, and the application is supported by the head of his department and by the Commander-in-Chief.

3. I agree in the view taken by your Government on this subject.

4. This despatch has been submitted to, and has received the concurrence of, the Field-Marshal Commanding-in-Chief.—I have, &c.,

(Signed) C. Wood.

DR. F. ANDERSON.

No. 358.—The following military letter from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, No. 54 of Feb. 28 last, is published for general information:—

Military.—No. 54.

India Office, London, Feb. 28, 1865.

To H.E. the Right. Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

Sir,—With your letter dated Jan. 6, No. 13, you transmit papers relative to a question raised by Dr. F. Anderson, deputy inspector general of hospitals, as to whether an officer of the Indian medical service can retire on half-pay under the same conditions as are necessary in the case of an officer of the British medical department, i.e., without residing in a temperate climate for the usual term of a furlough.

2. My despatch dated May 16 last (No. 152, para. 15), out of which this question has arisen, referred to officers compelled to leave the service on account of ill health, and entitled to half pay pension under present regulations. By those regulations an officer is precluded from retiring from the service on half pay pension in India. Under these circumstances, the view taken by your Govt. is quite correct, viz., that my despatch referred to merely altered the rate of pension and did not affect the rule of the service, which requires an officer, to entitle him to half pay pension, first to try the effects of a temperate climate.—I have, &c.,

(Signed) C. Wood.

No. 360.—Capt. W. W. Aubert, 2nd examiner, pay dept., has leave for 6 mo., from the 1st inst., to Simla, on m.c., under old reg.

No. 361.—Capt. H. A. Cockburn, paym. and supnt. of native pensioners, Lucknow circle, is allowed leave of abs. for 6 mo. from the 12th inst.,

* This is done in the promotion of Lieut. R. N. Evans, cadre of the late 53rd N.I. who died at sea, when on his way home from India, on the 5th June, 1863, announced in G.G.O. No. 868 of 1864.

to Mussoorie and Cashmere, on m.c., under new reg.

THE MADRAS COMMAND.

No. 359.—The following military letter from the Right hon. the Sec. of State for India, No. 60 of March 3, is published for general information:—

Military No. 60.

India-office, London, March 3, 1865.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

Sir,—H.M. has been pleased to approve of Lieut. gen. Sir J. G. LeMarchant, G.C.M.G., being placed upon the staff of the army in India as a Lieut. gen., with a view to his commanding the troops in Madras, in succession to Lieut. gen. Sir Hope Grant, G.C.B., who has accepted the appt. of qmtr. gen. at head quarters.—I have, &c., (Sd.) C. Wood.

No. 362.—Appointments:—

Capt. H. D. Batty, asst., pay dept., to offic. as 2nd examiner, pay dept., during the abs. on m.c. of Capt. W. W. Aubert.

Capt. J. P. Martin, asst., pay dept., to offic. as paym. and supnt. of native pensioners, Lucknow circle, during the abs. on m.c. of Capt. Cockburn.

April 5.—No. 364.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave of abs. on m.c.:—

Lieut. col. H. E. L. Thuillier, of the royal art., surveyor gen. of India and supnt. of the Topographical and Revenue Surveys, for 20 mo., under the new reg.

No. 365.—Under the authority of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, the name of Lieut. W. P. Onslow, borne on the cadre of the late 11th regt. N.I., is struck off the list of the Bengal army, with effect from July 31, 1864.

April 6.—No. 366.—The underment. officers are permitted to proceed to Europe on leave on m.c.:—

Capt. J. Sykes, Bengal staff corps, sub-asst. com. gen. and officg. dep. asst. com. gen., for 15 mos.

Capt. H. B. Chalmers, Bengal staff corps, asst. com. gen., for 20 mos.

No. 368.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on leave on m.c.:—

Lieut. col. F. C. Maisey, of inf., dep. judge advocate gen., army head quarters, for 20 mos.

No. 371.—The services of Lieut. H. T. Christie, gen. list, Bombay inf., are placed at the disposal of the C. in C. for appt. on H.E.'s personal staff.

April 7.—No. 372.—Under instructions from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, the promotion of Lieut. col. M. Galwey, C.B., Madras inf., to the rank of col. in the army, announced in Govt. G.O. No. 751 of Sept. 15, 1864, is to be held to have effect from May 9, 1863, instead of the date previously fixed.

No. 373.—The undermntd. officers are perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on m.c.:—

Maj. G. Swiney, of the Bengal staff corps, dist. supt. of police, Allahabad, for 20 mo.

Asst. surg. A. K. Reed, of the med. dept., garrison asst. surg., Attock, for 20 mo., under the new regltns.

No. 374.—The undermntd. officer has reported his return from England:—

Lieut. H. A. Booke, of the late 12th regt. N.I., date of arrival at Fort William, March 31.

No. 375.—The undermntd. officer having completed 20 years' service, six of which were on permanent staff employ, to be maj. from the date specified opposite to his name, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Bengal Staff Corps.—Capt. (brev. maj.) A. Le Gallais, April 3.

No. 376.—Erratum.—In Govt. G.O. Nos. 892 of 1864, and 258 of 1865, making and cancelg. certain brevet promts., for "Lieut." F. A. Sage, read Capt. F. A. Sage. Order books to be corrected accordingly.

No. 377.—The undermntd. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on m.c.:—

Capt. H. W. Best, of the late 5th Eur. L.C., 2nd in comd. and squadron officer, 17th Bengal cav., for 3 years, under the old regltns.

April 7.—No. 3,439.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Messrs. F. P. Beachcroft and A. W. Stogdon, of the C.S., reported qualified for the pub. serv., to the N.W.P., the Punjab, and Oudh, and to place their services at the disposal of the foreign dept.

April 12.—No. 3,441.—Mr. G. L. Lang, of the C.S., is permitted to proceed to Eur. on furl. for 1 year from date of embarkation.

No. 3,442.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest Dr. J. C. Corbyn, inspec. of jails and supt. central prison, with the powers of a mag. within the precincts of the Lucknow Central Jail.

No. 3,444.—Capt. J. Loch, asst. com., cent. provs., is app. to offic. as judge of the Court of Small Causes, Nagpore, as a temp. arrangement.

April 13.—No. 3,446.—The undermentioned officers, attached to the topographical branch, survey dept., have priv. leave of absence for 3 mo. from the dates on which they may respectively avail themselves of the same, at the close of the present survey field season, making over charge of their offices to the senior assts. of their respective parties:—

Lieut. col. C. H. Saxton, staff corps, in charge of No. 3 Topographical Party, Ganjam and Orissa survey.

Capt. G. C. Depree, R.E., in charge of No. 8 Topographical Party, Chota Nagpore div. survey.

No. 3,448.—Mr. J. B. N. Hennessey, 1st asst., Great Trigonometrical Survey, returned on the 10th inst. from furl. to Europe on m.c., and resumed the duties of his appt. on the follg. day.

No. 3,449.—Mr. W. Blunt, of the Bengal C.S., has reported his departure from India per steamship *Mooltan*, which vessel was left by the pilot at sea March 24.

No. 3,452.—Leave of absence for 3 mo. is granted to the Hon. W. Morgan, Puisne judge of the High Court of Calcutta, under sec. 6 of the Covenanted Absentee Rules, with effect from the date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 3,460.—Mr. D. Simson, C.S., is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl. for a period of 1 year 9 mo. and 28 days from the date of embarkation.

April 13.—No. 160.—The following order, by the officer comdg. Central India horse, on April 1, is confirmed:—

Lieut. J. S. Irvine, adjt., 1st regt. at Augur, will receive charge of the staff office from Capt. J. D. Hall, of the 2nd regt., consequent on the removal of the head qrs. of the force from Goona to Augur.

April 11.—No. 841.—Mr. A. Young, officg. dep. comsny. of Durriabad, in Oude, has obt'd. 15 days' leave from the 25th ult., under the rules applicable to milly. officers in civil employ.

No. 843.—Asst. surg. J. C. Morrice, of the 16th B.C., is apptd. to the med. charge of the Gwalior political agency, in addition to his own duties, v. Surg. maj. S. A. Homan.

No. 845.—Capt. H. C. Menzies, asst. comr., Oomraotee district, has obtained priv. leave of abs. for 3 mo.

April 2.—Lieut. A. H. Eckford, asst. comr. of Sultanpore, in Oudh, has priv. leave of abs. for 3 mo., from the 23rd ult.

NATIVE LANGUAGE.

April 13.—No. 858.—H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to extend Act XXIX. of 1837 to the Central Provs., and under the authority contained therein, to declare that the language to be used in the proceedings before the civil courts in the Central Provs. shall, as regards the courts in each district, be the same as the language prescribed under section 197 of the Code of Criminal Procedure to be used in such district for the purposes of the said Code.

No. 860.—Lieut. col. W. F. Eden, apptd. in G.O. No. 812, dated 7th inst., to be agent to the Gov. Gen. for the States of Rajpootana, received charge of the agency from Lieut. A. N. Bruce on 3rd idem.

April 12.—No. 2,071.—Mr. E. S. Berne received charge of the office of dep. auditor and accountant gen., Hyderabad, from Mr. J. Rose on March 28, 1865.

No. 2,099.—Mr. J. Christie received charge of the office of civil paymr., Bombay, from Mr. H. A. Mangles on March 31.

April 7.—No. 131.—The following promotions and changes are made, with effect from April 1:—
Special Assistant Engineers to be Executive Engineers.

4th Grade.—Capts. W. H. Burton, R.E., Hyderabad; and D. J. P. Campbell, M.S.C., Mysore.

Major T. J. H. Keyes, M.I., Central Provinces.

Lieut. J. M. McNeile, R.E., lighthouses (local rank).

Mr. J. H. McRae, Oudh.

Lieut. J. H. Bedford, R.E., Rajpootana.

Messrs. E. Hyde, British Burmah; R. Tyndall, Central Provinces; and J. H. Wilson, ditto.

Probationary Assistant Engineers to be Assistant Engineers, 2nd Grade.

Lieuts. W. G. Cumming, R.E., British Burmah; and C. E. Shepherd, R.E., Central Provinces.

Probationary Assistant Engineers to be Assistant Engineers, 3rd Grade, on probation.

Messrs. J. M. Algie, British Burmah; R. C. Anderson, Central Provinces; A. B. Gatherer, Mysore; H. W. Hughes, Oudh; and W. Scott, Central Provinces.

No. 133.—Mr. J. H. Wilson, exec. engr., 4th grade, Central Provinces, passed the examination in Hindoostanee Jan. 26.

April 11.—No. 136.—Mr. W. H. Pigott, acct., 2nd grade, Central Provinces, has 2 mo. leave, on m.c., in add. to the 6 mo. granted him in public works notification No. 307 of Nov. 10.

No. 137.—Capt. D. Ward, exec. engr., 3rd grade, offic. exec. engr. of the Lucknow div., is confirmed in that appt., from March 1.

No. 139.—Dep. comy. J. Brooke, having been admitted to pension from March 31, his name is, at his own request, struck off the rolls of the public works estab.

April 12.—No. 140.—Mr. J. W. Henry, asst. engr., 1st grade, Central Provinces, is transf. to Rajpootana.

No. 141.—Mr. J. M. Span is app. to the public works dept. as an asst. engr., 1st grade, and posted to the Central Provinces.

April 13.—No. 142.—ERRATUM.—In notification No. 115 of 28th ult., granting 3 mo. priv. leave to Major R. H. Sankey, R.E., exec. engr., 1st class, and asst. to chief engr. in Mysore, for "March 24" read "March 23."

No. 143.—In continuation of notification, No. 71, dated March 1, the special work on which Capt. R. B. Pemberton, R.E., is engaged being so far completed that he can discharge his proper duties as asst. secy. to the Govt. of India, in the public works department, the services of Capt. W. Jeffreys, R.E., are no longer required in the secretariat. His services are, therefore, replaced at the disposal of the Govt. N.W.P., with effect from April 18.

REVENUE FORESTS.

No. 6.—Leave of absence for 12 mo., on m.c., is granted to Mr. D. Brandis, insp. gen. of forests to the Govt. of India. During the absence of Mr. Brandis, Capt. Williams, R.E., under secy. to the Govt. of India, in the public works dept., will take charge of the office of insp. gen. of forests.

April 8.—No. 378.—Under the authority of the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India, Dep. asst. comisy. A. Stoney, of the ordnance commissariat dept., who is reported to be unfit for further active service, is, as a special case, transferred to the pension establishment, on a stipend of Rs. 121-12 per mensem, payable in India.

April 10.—No. 379.—The services of Lieut. G. N. Ross, 12th Madras N.I., are placed temporarily at the disposal of the home dept.

No. 310.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appt.:

Punjab Irregular Force.

No. 1 Light Field Battery.—Lieut. H. S. Hutchinson, R.A., to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Lieut. V. Rivaz, apptd. to No. 2 light field baty.

No. 382.—The undermen. officer has reported his return from England:—Capt. H. C. Sitwell, of the late 5th Eur. L.C.; date of arrival at Fort William March 31.

No. 384.—The services of Lieut. W. F. Badgley, of the staff corps, adjt., 20th regt. N.I., are placed at the disposal of the home dept.

No. 385.—Lieut. A. L. Heyland, R.A., is perm., at his own request, to resign his appt. as private sec. and aide de camp to the Hon. the Lieut. gov. of the Punjab, and his services are accordingly placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C., with effect from April 25.

No. 386.—The services of Capt. C. McW. Mercer, of the R.A., are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of the Punjab.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO STAFF OFFICERS.

No. 387.—The following military letter from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, No. 61, dated March 9, 1865, is published for general information:—

Military.—No. 61.

India-office, London, March 9, 1865.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

SIR,—I have considered in Council the correspondence regarding the grant of leave to officers of the British service holding staff appointments in India, forwarded with para. 9 of your letter No. 462, dated Dec. 21, 1864.

In reply to an inquiry made by H.E. the C. in C., you have informed H.E. that, as all officers, whether of the British or Indian service, holding staff appointments in India, and retaining these appointments whilst on leave to Europe, must obtain such leave from the Government in G.G.O., it appears to the Gov. gen. in Council desirable that they should obtain leave under the same terms and for such

periods as may be fixed by the medical committee in accordance with the rules laid down in the New Furlough Regulations, and that British officers proceeding to England as staff officers, with retention of appointment, should appear, therefore, before the same board as Indian officers similarly situated, viz., the Army Medical Board at the Presidency.

I approve of this decision, which has been communicated to H.R.H. the Field Marshal C. in C., with the suggestion that all such officers desirous of obtaining extension of leave in England, with retention of appointment to the full extent allowed by the New Furlough Regulations, should make their application to this office.

H.R.H. has expressed his concurrence in this arrangement.—I have, &c.,

(Signed)

C. WOOD.

REGIMENTAL ALLOWANCES—ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT.

No. 388.—The following mily. letter from the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India, No. 69, dated March 9, is published for general information:—

Military.—No. 69.

India Office, March 9.

H.E. the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. of India in Council.

SIR,—I have considered in Council your military letter, No. 37, dated Jan. 21, recommending, with reference to my despatch, No. 266, of Aug. 26, 1864, that the rule hitherto in force in Bengal, by which officers serving in the ordnance dept. are granted regimental allowances at the field rate, wherever stationed, may be extended to the same class of officers at Madras and Bombay, in which presidencies officers now draw pay at full or half batta rates according to their location.

2. As these appts. may be considered in one sense as regtl. appts., and as the distinction between half and full batta stations as affecting regtl. officers as well as non-commissioned officers and soldiers has been recently abolished, I shall not object to the proposed rule with regard to the pay of officers of the ordnance dept.

3. This measure, as you observe, will place all on the same footing, the only exception being that of ordnance officers at the Presidency, who, like other staff officers similarly situated, draw Presidency rates of house rent.—I have, &c., Signed, C. WOOD.

April 13.—No. 391.—The underment. officer is admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the date specified opposite to his name, subject to the confirmation of the right hon. the Sec. of State for India:—

2nd Capt. C. J. Mead, R.A., 1st class exec. engr., dept. public works, Nov. 7, 1864.

No. 392.—The services of the underment. officers are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept.:—

Lieut. H. Gibson, Bombay staff corps.

Lieut. J. Ketchen, gen. list, Bombay inf.

No. 393.—The Rt. Hon. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to direct that the troops composing the Doar field force shall be formed into one brigade, with effect from such date as may be ordered by H.E. the C. in C.

Brigdr. gen. J. M. B. F. Tytler, c.b., is app. to command the Doar field force, and will have his head quarters ordinarily at Gowhaty.

Brigdr. gen. H. Tomba, c.b., v.c., will revert to the command of the Gwalior district.

No. 394.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appointment:—

Punjab Irreg. Force.—3rd Inf.—Lieut. G. N. Saunders, late 24th regt. N.I., to officiate as wing officer during absence of Lieut. Mcney.

No. 395.—The following alterations of rank are made, subject to her Majesty's approval:—

General List, Cavalry.

Lieut. S. A. Swinley, from July 30, 1862, v. Lieut. G. W. C. Plowden, 21st hussars, promoted in cadre of late 3rd Eur. L.C.

Lieut. C. B. Horsburgh, from *Aug. 15, 1862, v. Lieut. J. C. Lockwood, 20th hussars, promoted in cadre of late 2nd Eur. L.C.

Lieut. W. G. Craig, from *Oct. 4, 1862, v. Lieut. J. Biddulph, cadre of late 5th Eur. L.C., transferred to 19th hussars.

Lieut. R. B. Lockwood, from *Dec. 4, 1862, v. Lieut. A. Hearsey (dec.), cadre of the 5th Eur. L.C., transf. to the 19th hussars.

Lieut. R. Bartholomew, from *Feb. 20, 1863, v. Lieut. H. M. Caulfield (dec.), prom. in cadre of late 4th Eur. L.C.

* The men on which they respectively completed one year's service, as required by Government General Order No. 214 of 1861.

General List, Infantry.

Lieut. A. B. Clare, from *Oct. 20, 1862, v. Lieut. C. Middlemass, gen. list, inf., transf. to the 107th foot.

Lieut. G. C. Napier, from *Nov. 4, 1862, v. Lieut. C. W. Biggs, gen. list, inf., transf. to the 101st foot.

Lieut. W. H. Meiklejohn, from *Dec. 4, 1862, v. Lieut. J. H. Campbell, gen. list, inf., transf. to the 109th foot.

Lieut. A. J. Nicholson, from *Jan. 2, 1863, v. Lieut. H. F. Showers, gen. list, inf., transf. to the 104th foot.

Lieut. A. C. B. Wither, from *Jan. 2, 1863, v. Lieut. C. Pakenham, gen. list, inf., transf. to the 101st foot.

Lieut. H. J. Lawrence, from *Jan. 4, 1863, v. Lieut. J. R. E. J. Royle, gen. list, inf., transf. to the 107th foot.

Lieut. W. Loch, from *Jan. 4, 1863, v. Lieut. A. G. Remington, cadre of late 12th N.I., prom.

Lieut. R. Shakespear, from *Jan. 4, 1863, v. Lieut. C. Pigou, cadre of the late 4th Eur. regt., transf. to the 104th foot.

Lieut. B. Wemyss, from Jan. 20, 1865, v. Lieut. J. S. Bagshaw, cadre of late 5th Eur. regt., transf. to the 101st foot.

Lieut. R. W. Napier, from Jan. 20, 1863, v. Lieut. F. Henderson, cadre of the late 16th N.I., transf. to the 107th foot.

Lieut. F. M. M. Harris, from Jan. 20, 1863, v. Lieut. G. S. Dysart, cadre of the late 23rd N.I., transf. to the 107th foot.

Lieut. J. G. G. Shaw (resigned), from Feb. 4, 1863, v. Lieut. C. M. Boswell, cadre of the late 23rd N.I., transf. to the 104th foot.

Lieut. A. S. Roberts, from Feb. 20, 1863, v. Lieut. T. H. Lewin, cadre of the late 31st N.I., transf. to the 104th foot.

Lieut. S. Hotham, from March 1, 1863, v. Lieut. C. K. Mylne, cadre of the late 35th N.I., transf. to the 104th foot.

Lieut. E. H. C. Plowden (resigned), from March 4, 1863, v. Lieut. C. P. Chambers, cadre of the late 48th N.I., transf. to the 107th foot.

Lieut. H. Kingscote, from March 4, 1863, v. Lieut. W. Owen, cadre of the 61st N.I., transf. to the 107th foot.

Lieut. A. D. Strettell (now of the 109th foot), from March 4, 1863, v. Lieut. C. O. Bowles, gen. list, inf., resigned.

The proms. of the undermen. officers announced in Govt. G.O. No. 868 of 1864 are hereby cane. under the operations of para. 55 of Govt. G.O. No. 632 of Aug. 4, 1864:—

PROMOTIONS.

General List, Cavalry.

Cornet E. A. Money (now of 19th hussars), to be lieut., from July 30, 1862.

Cornet T. Shepherd (now of 20th hussars), to be lieut., from ditto.

Cornet G. R. J. Shakespear (now of 20th hussars), to be lieut., from ditto.

Cornet J. Boulderson (now of 19th hussars), to be lieut., from ditto.

Cornet F. H. Huth (now of 19th hussars), to be lieut., from July 6, 1863.

Cornet A. W. G. Brehner (now of 20th hussars), to be lieut., from March 24, ditto.

Cornet C. R. St. Quintin (now of 19th hussars), to be lieut., from ditto.

Cornet W. A. Lawrence (now of 21st hussars), to be lieut., from April 23 ditto.

Cornet C. Mangles (now of 20th hussars), to be lieut., from Sept. 18 ditto.

Cornet C. R. Chase (now of 21st hussars), to be lieut., from Nov. 17th ditto.

Cornet F. D. Harding (now of 19th hussars), to be lieut., from ditto.

Cornet E. S. Neave (now of 21st hussars), to be lieut., from ditto.

Cornet C. Bailey (now of 20th hussars), to be lieut., from Nov. 28 ditto.

Cornet S. D. Barrow (now of 19th hussars), to be lieut., from July 2, 1864.

Ensign H. P. Airey (now of 101st foot), to be lieut., from July 30, 1862.

Ens. A. Peel, transf. to 101st foot (now of 7th hussars), to be lieut. from ditto.

Ens. W. H. Hyne (now of the 107th foot), to be lieut. from ditto.

Ens. R. C. Richardson (now of the 104th foot), to be lieut. from ditto.

Ens. V. C. E. Parker (now of the 104th foot), to be lieut. from ditto.

Ens. M. F. Stokes (now of the 104th foot), to be lieut. from ditto.

Ens. M. F. Stokes (now of the 104th foot), to be lieut. from ditto.

Ens. M. F. Stokes (now of the 104th foot), to be lieut. from ditto.

Ens. F. O. Fuller (now of the 101st foot), to be lieut. from ditto.

Ens. R. H. A. Quinet (now of the 101st foot), to be lieut. from ditto.

Ens. E. A. Down (now of the 107th foot), to be lieut. from ditto.

Ens. G. S. Sewell (now of the 101st foot), to be lieut. from ditto.

Ens. H. Bailey (now of the 106th foot), to be lieut. from 2nd Oct. ditto.

Ens. W. H. Browne (now of the 101st foot), to be lieut. from 20th ditto.

Ens. H. J. Woodward (now of the 104th foot), to be lieut. from ditto.

Ens. W. G. Beresford (now of the 107th foot), to be lieut. from 26th Oct. ditto.

Ens. B. Hudleston (now of the 104th foot), to be lieut. from 4th Dec. ditto.

Ens. A. J. Shepherd (transf. to the 107th foot, now of 93rd regt.), to be lieut. from 20th ditto ditto.

Ens. R. T. Mayne (now of the 109th foot), to be lieut. from Jan. 2, 1863.

Ens. E. L. Clarke (now of the 103rd foot), to be lieut. from 27th ditto ditto.

Ens. C. M. Stockley (now of the 101st foot), to be lieut. from 25th Feb. ditto.

BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR.

March 17.—Mr. E. S. Moseley, asst. mag. and coll., to have temp. charge of the sub div. of Arrareah, and to exercise the powers of a sub mag. of the 1st class, and the powers of a dep. coll. in Purneah.

The following transfers of district superintendents of police are sanctioned:—

Capt. C. T. Hitchins, from Tipperah to Gowhatty.

Capt. W. T. Fagan, from Gowhatty to Tipperah.

March 19.—Lord H. U. Browne to offic. as mag. and dep. coll. of Howrah, during absence, on deputation, of Mr. E. C. Craster.

March 20.—Mr. F. W. V. Peterson to be dep. registrar of assurances of the sub district of Arrah, having its head quarters at the Sudder station of the district of Shahabad.

March 16.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. J. Cooper, asst. superint. of police, Patna, for 14 days, from the day on which he may have availed himself of the leave under the orders of the Insp. gen. of Police.

Mr. H. Mo-Jey, C.S., for a week, in extension of the time allowed for joining his appt. at Chumparun.

Mr. W. A. Madge, dep. coll. of the Soonderbuns, for 1 mo., from date on which he may have availed himself of the same.

Mr. F. Weyer, asst. mag. of Arrareah, for 2 mo., from the date on which he may avail himself of the leave.

March 22.—Mr. J. Anderson, asst. mag. of Bettiah, for 2 mo., in supersession of the leave granted to him on 21st ult., from the date on which he may have availed himself of the new leave.

March 23.—Mr. M. B. Rochfort, asst. superint. of police, Bogra, for 10 days, from 15th inst., or any other day on which he may avail himself of the leave.

March 22.—No 123.—Mr. F. E. Archer is appd. an asst. engr. of the 1st grade in the local engr. estab., and posted to the circular and eastern canals div.

No 125.—Mr. R. F. Chisholm, exec. engr. of the 4th grade, assumed charge of the Cuttack div. on the 18th current.

March 27.—No 127.—Mr. F. Bond, exec. engr. of the 3rd grade, assumed charge of the Balasore div. on the 22nd current.

March 23.—No 10.—Lieut. C. H. Luard, R.E., who was gazetted to act as dep. consulting engr. to Govt. of Bengal, railway dept., v. Capt. R. de Bourbel, R.E., temp. att. to the Bootan field force, joined his appt. on this day.

No 2,093.—The following officers of the subord. exec. serv. are prom. viz.:—

To the First Grade.—Mr. W. C. Tayler.

To the Second Grade.—Mr. W. O'Reilly.

To the Third Grade.—Mr. J. B. Shadwell, Mr. W. M. Smith, Mr. J. A. Ricketts, Mr. A. D. B. Gomes, Mr. F. J. R. Walker.

To the Fourth Grade.—Mr. G. C. Kilby, Mr. E. B. Godfrey.

To the Fifth Grade.—Mr. R. T. Sevestre, Mr. R. Rattray, Mr. E. Eyre.

March 16.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. J. S. Driberg, extra asst. comsnnr., Durang, for 3 mo.

March 27.—Mr. S. Wauchope, C.B., additional judge of 24-Pergunnahs, Hooghly, and Burdwan, for 6 mo.

March 29.—Dr. S. M. Shircore, civil asst. surg. of the 24-Pergunnahs, for 2 mo.

March 29.—No 129.—Mr. F. E. Archer, local asst. engr. of the 1st grade, joined the circular and eastern canals div. on the 25th current.

March 30.—No 132.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. R. Brooks, supervisor of the 1st grade, att. to the garrison engr.'s dept., Fort William, is allowed 1 yrs' furl. in India, with effect from the date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No 135.—Capt. L. Russell, R.E., appd. offic. superint. engr., 2nd class, and att. to Bengal, is posted to the Behar circle, the head qrs. of which will be removed from Shergotty to Patna.

No 136.—Major J. C. Dickson, late 33rd N.I., appd. temp. an exec. engr. of the 4th grade, and att. to Bengal, to offic. as exec. engr. of the 24-Pergunnahs div.

April 4.—No 140.—Mr. W. Nicholson, local asst. engineer 2nd grade, attached to Jessore Road division, resigned his appointment, with permission of Government, from Feb. 1 last.

April 5.—No 141.—Mr. W. L. Granville, architect to the Government of Bengal, public works dept., availed himself of leave granted for 6 mo. from 24th ult.

April 7.—No 142.—Mr. T. J. Macnamara, asst. engineer 1st grade, assumed temp. charge of 2nd division, Grand Trunk Road, on 30th ult.

April 8.—No 143.—Mr. C. Ducas, exec. engineer 4th grade, is transferred from the Tumlook to the Burrakur division.

No 144.—Mr. T. J. Macnamara, asst. engineer 1st grade, attached to 2nd division, Grand Trunk Road, to officiate as exec. engineer of the Tumlook division.

April 10.—No 147.—Major J. C. Dickson, exec. engineer 4th grade, assumed charge of the 24-Pergunnahs division on 31st ult.

April 6.—No 2,444.—Appts.:—

Mr. E. Drummond to offic. as mag. and coll. of Behar, during the absence, on deputation, of Mr. A. Hope.

Mr. T. Walton to offic. as mag. and coll. of Sylhet.

Mr. E. E. Lewis to offic. as mag. and coll. of Furreedpore.

April 7.—Mr. J. D. Gordon to offic. as civil and sess. judge of Purneah during the absence, on leave, of Mr. J. R. Muspratt.

April 8.—Mr. H. A. R. Alexander to offic., until further orders, as mag. and coll. of Pubna.

Major J. Emerson, cantonment mag. of Dinapore, to be judge of the Court of Small Causes in that cantonment.

April 10.—Mr. J. M. Scott, B.A., C.E., to be an asst. professor in the engrng. dept. of the Pres. college, with effect from the date on which he may have assumed charge.

April 12.—Mr. G. Graham to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. of Nuddea.

April 13.—Mr. H. F. J. Kean to offic. as mag. and coll. of Berar, with effect from the 1st inst., the date on which he assumed charge from Mr. Hope, until the arrival of Mr. E. Drummond.

April 7.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. J. Muspratt, judge of Purneah, for 6 weeks, from 17th inst.

April 8.—Mr. H. Hankey, offic. mag. and coll. of Pubna, for 11 days, prep. to Eur. on furl.

Dr. E. J. Gayer, for 15 days, in addition to the time allowed for joining his appt. as civil asst. surg. of Tirhoot.

Mr. W. E. Kinsey for 30 days, in addition to the time allowed for joining his appt. as asst. mag. and coll. of Patna.

April 12.—No 148.—Mr. J. O'Flaherty, exec. engr. of the 2nd grade, assumed charge of the circular and eastern canals div. on the 1st current.

April 13.—No 149.—Mr. J. Robinson, prob. asst. engr., from the Behar (local road) to the Burrakur div.

No 150.—The transfer of Mr. H. Beck, overseer of the 2nd grade, from the Damoodah, to the Hidgelee div., is cane.

No 153.—Dep. asst. comsry. A. Bremner, having been admitted to pension from March 1, his name is struck off the roll of the upper subord. estab. of the public works dept.

April 7.—Mr. J. Tweedie made over charge of the Mynagore treasury to Mr. W. H. Verner on the 5th inst.

Court Martial.

CAPT. A. WHITING, OF THE LATE 59TH REGT. N.I., ATTACHED TO THE 8TH N.I.

Head Qrs., Calcutta, March 22.—At a general court martial, assembled at Bareilly, on March 14,

1865, Lieut. and brev. capt. Alfred Whiting, of the late 59th regt. N.I., and attached to the 8th N.I., was arraigned on the following charge:—

Charge.—For conduct highly unbecoming an officer, and to the prejudice of good order and military discipline, in having been drunk at a brigade parade on the morning of Jan. 5, 1865, and in that state having fallen off his horse on the parade ground.

Finding.—Guilty.

Sentence.—To be severely reprimanded, and further to be placed at the bottom of the list of lieutenants of the cadre of the late 59th regt. N.I.

(Signed) T. J. DEVERELL, Colonel,
77th Regt., President.

Bareilly, March 14.

APPROVED AND CONFIRMED.

(Signed) HUGH ROSE, General,
Calcutta, March 21. C. in C. in India.

Assumption of Command by H.E. Sir William Mansfield.

Head Quarters, Lahore, March 23.—In pursuance of G.O. by H.E. the Viceroy in Council, dated 23rd inst., No. 309, Genl. Sir W. R. Mansfield, K.C.B., announces to the army that he has assumed command of the forces in the East Indies, from this date.

H.E. the C. in C. is pleased to make the following appts. on his personal staff:—

Maj. F. R. S. Flood, 82nd foot, to be mil. sec.
Lieut. H. T. Christie, Bombay gen. list, to be A.D.C.

Surg. J. T. C. Ross, 21st hussars, to be surg. from April 1, 1865.

By order of H.E. the C. in C.,
E. HATTHORNE, Col.,
Adj. gen.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

March 24.—No 2,715.—Lieut. W. C. Plant, offic. dep. comr., 4th grade, received charge of the office of superint. of police at Sandoway from Mr. W. H. Beddy on Jan. 26.

March 22.—No 254.—Capt. E. B. Sladen received charge of the office of agent to the chief comr., British Burmah, at Mandalay, from Dr. C. Williams, on Feb. 7.

March 21.—No 680.—Lieut. (brev. capt.) G. E. Fryer, 21st regt. M.N.I., app. offic. asst. comr. in British Burmah in notification No. 1,554, dated Dec. 13 last, is app. a permanent asst. comr. in the British Burmah Commission, from the date he entered on the duties of asst. sec. to the chief comr. of British Burmah, viz., Jan. 21, 1865.

No 681.—Lieut. W. C. Plant, asst. comr., 2nd grade, British Burmah, is app. to be an offic. dep. comr., 4th grade, with effect from Jan. 26 last, the date on which he assumed charge of the Sandoway district from Mr. H. W. Beddy.

No 683.—Lieut. G. A. Strover, asst. comr., 3rd grade, British Burmah, is app. to offic. temp. as mag. and dep. comr. of 4th grade at Akyab.

Lieut. W. G. Hughes, asst. comr., 3rd grade, made over charge of his office in the Kankareit sub-div. of the Amherst district to Moung O, extra asst. comr., 3rd grade (Myoke), on Feb. 2, and received charge of the office of asst. comr., Martaban sub-div., from Lieut. G. A. Strover, on 9th idem.

March 22.—No 100.—Capt. W. H. Burton, R.E., is re-app. to the public works dept. as a special asst. engr., and posted to the Berar div., Hyderabad, and the portion of notification No. 66, dated Feb. 28, transf. Capt. F. G. S. Parker, from the Punjab to Hyderabad, is cane.

March 24.—No 106.—Capt. B. J. C. Prior, offic. controller of public works accounts, Central Provinces, having resumed charge of his duties on March 13, 1865, the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him in public works dept. notification, No. 12, of Jan. 17 last, is cane.

Fort St. George, April 11.—Appts.:—

Capt. A. F. F. Bloomfield, staff corps, to act as cantonment joint mag. of Trichinopoly, during the absence of Major A. B. Marsack on leave.

Asst. surg. E. E. Lloyd, civil surg., Cocanada, to act as zillah surg. of Nellore, during the absence of Dr. Adam on leave, or until further orders.

Mr. J. Kelsall, C.S., prob. asst. supt. of police, 2nd class, in Coimbatore, to act as prob. asst. supt. of police, 1st class, in Bellary, during the employment of Lieut. W. H. Hoskins on other duty.

Lieut. H. W. Blair, 105th regt. of foot, to act as prob. asst. supt. of police, 1st class, in Madura,

during the employment of Lieut. R. G. Jenkins on other duty.

Lieut. E. H. Prother, 6th regt. N.I., to be prob. asst. supt. of police, 2nd class, in Bellary.

Lieut. R. G. Jenkins, 8th regt. N.I., to be prob. asst. supt. of police, 1st class, in Madura. v. Lieut. Coningham, proc. to Eur. on furl. To continue to act as supt. of police, Trichinopoly.

Lieut. W. H. Hodges, 1st regt. N.I., to be prob. asst. supt. of police, 1st class, Tinnevely, v. Jenkins.

Lieut. G. Chrystie, late 8rd M.E.R., to be prob. asst. supt. of police, 1st class, in Nellore, v. Hodges. To continue to do duty in Cuddapah.

Mr. J. Grose, to be head asst. to the coll. and mag. of South Arcot, but to continue to act as under secy. to Govt., in the revenue dept., during the employ. of Mr. C. G. Master on other duty.

Mr. P. L. Roberts, to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Cuddapah, during the employ. of Mr. W. McQuahe on other duty.

Mr. E. Storr, to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Tinnevely.

Mr. C. S. Crole, to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of Madura.

Mr. H. Wigram, to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of the Madras dist.

Mr. J. Cameron, to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of Malabar.

Mr. E. G. Ricketts, 3rd class dep. coll. of Tanjore, to act as 2nd class dep. coll., v. Mr. H. Richardson, acting 1st class.

Mr. J. Fernandez, 4th class dep. coll. of South Canara, to act as 3rd class, v. Mr. Ricketts.

Mr. J. W. Johnston, to act as 4th class dep. coll. and mag. on probation, v. Mr. J. Fernandez, and to be posted to the Madura dist.

The above appts. to take effect from the date of Mr. W. Boalch's retirement.

Mr. A. M. MacGregor, to act as 4th class dep. coll. of Vizagapatam on probation, and to have charge of the salt dept., during the employ. of Mr. Pritchard on other duty.

Lieut. col. C. V. Wilkieson, R.E., to be a director of the Incorporated Bank of Madras, v. Col. Cardendale.

Mr. R. E. Norfor, to act as asst. engr. of the 1st class, during the absence of Capt. Makgill, R.E., or until further orders, and to be posted to the Godavery dist.

Capt. B. F. Heysham, sub asst. comisy. gen., Masulipatam, to be a lay trustee of that chaplaincy, v. Capt. H. D. Faulkner.

The appointment of Mr. E. F. Webster to offic. as civil and session judge of the zillah of Bellary, notified in the *Gazette* of the 4th inst., is cane.

Lieut. col. C. V. Wilkieson, R.E., delivered over charge of the office of superintg. engr., 5th div., to Lieut. col. E. A. Foord, R.E., on the 8th inst.

Mr. P. M. Jones, probationary asst. superint. of police in the Godavery dist., to institute prosecutions under the said Act for offences committed in the said dist.

Mr. J. F. Price, acting head asst. to the mag. of North Arcot, to perform the duties and exercise the powers which, by the aforesaid Act, are assigned to and conferred on the mag. of the dist.

Mr. E. F. Webster, acting joint mag. of Bellary, is authorised, under Section 196 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to take down the evidence of witnesses with his own hand in English.

The Rev. C. H. Deane, M.A., chaplain of Cannanore, has priv. leave for 60 days, from the 17th inst. or date of departure, to proceed to the Shavarey Hills.

SHORT LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

The following despatch from the Right Hon. Sir C. Wood, Bart., Secy. of State for India, to H.E. the Hon. the Gov. in Council, Fort St. George, dated India Office, London, Feb. 28, No. 12, is published for general information:—

With reference to Section 6 of the New Civil Absentee Rules, which limits to 1 week the period within which officers absent on priv. leave must rejoin their appointments, after the expiration of such leave, I have to acquaint you that it is not intended that the rule in question should be applied in the cases of officers who may have been granted priv. leave prior to the date of the publication of the rules.

April 3.—No. 8,211.—Mr. W. R. Williams, inspecting postmaster, 10th or St. Thomas' Mount div., has leave of absence for 9 mo.

April 10.—Priv. leave of absence has been granted to Capt. H. P. Hawkes, dep. asst. comisy. gen., for 20 days, from the 11th inst.

April 11.—No. 138.—Capt. G. B. Bowen, cadre 48th regt. N.I., acting dep. inspec. gen. of police, northern range, is permitted to proceed to sea on m.c. for 3 mo., under the old furl. regulations, and to embark from Madras.

The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe:—

Lieut. H. E. Coningham, cadre 45th regt. N.I., acting superint. of police, Cuddapah, on furl. for 2 years, under the furl. regulations of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

The undermentioned officers have returned to their duty by permission of the Home Govt., without prejudice to their rank:—

Lieut. F. T. Powis, inf. gen. list, arrived at Madras on the 7th inst.

Asst. surg. E. E. Lloyd, med. establishment, civil surg., Cocanada, arrived at Madras on the 7th inst.

MADRAS VOLUNTEER GUARDS.—No. 139.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to accept the resignation by the undermentioned officer of his commission in the Madras volunteer guards:—

Ens. W. Morris, No. 2 company.

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BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

No. 229.—The following promotion is made subject to H.M.'s approval:—

5th regt. N.I.—Lieut. (brev. capt.) S. Fellows, to be capt., from Dec. 31, 1864, v. Ramsay, ret.

April 18.—No. 230.—Lieut. col. A. M. Murray, R.A., is appd. to act as dep. inspector gen. of ordnance and magazines, v. Lieut. col. Worgan.

No. 231.—Major J. Thacker, of the staff corps, is appd. to act as paymr. of pensioners and superint. of family payments, Bombay, v. Major Anneley.

No. 232.—The follg. appointments are made:—

Major H. W. Holland, of the staff corps, to act as comisy. gen. during the absence of Lieut. col. Dunsterville on m.c., or until further orders.

Lieut. col. A. W. Lucas, staff corps, will act as comisy. gen. until Major Holland joins.

REGIMENTAL WINGS.

April 19.—No. 235.—The Govt. of India, having decided that the new system for the payment of wing of N.I. regiments, and repair of arms, shall now come into operation, as laid down in G.G.O. No. 569 of Nov. 18, and G.G.O. dated Dec. 28, 1863, clause II., it is hereby announced that from May 1 next the allowances for the charge of wings will be restricted to Rs. 80 per wing, or Rs. 20 per company.

No. 236.—Lieut. J. G. McRae, qrmr., H.M.'s 2nd Grenadier regt. N.I., is permitted to proceed to Simla, with leave of absence from May 20 to Oct. 20, 1865, on private affairs.

Lieut. A. M. Phillips, adjt. in charge of the Sawunt Waree local corps, availed himself on the 5th inst. of the prep. leave of absence for 1 mo., granted to him to proceed to the Presidency, under Government notification of March 31 last.

Lieut. col. G. S. A. Anderson, Bombay staff corps, has been app. to act as political agent in the Rewa Kanta during the absence of Capt. Barton on leave.

The Hon. the Gov. in Council is pleased to confirm Maj. F. J. Oldfield in the appt. of asst. political agent at Kolhapoor and in the Southern Maratha country.

Maj. F. J. Oldfield has been app. to act as political agent at Kolhapoor and in the Southern Maratha country, during the absence on leave of Lieut. col. J. T. Barr.

Mr. J. O'Leary assumed charge of his duties as acting 1st judge of the Bombay Court of Small Causes on the 13th inst.

Mr. N. Spencer assumed charge of his duties as acting 2nd judge of the Bombay Court of Small Causes on the 12th inst.

The Hon. A. J. Lewis and the Hon. J. S. White respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of advocate gen. on the 13th inst.

Mr. J. P. Green, barrister-at-law and superint. reporter of the High Court, having returned from England and resumed charge of his office from 1st instant, the unenjoyed portion of the leave granted to him has been cane. from that date.

April 13.—Mr. C. J. Davies, 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Surat, has leave, on m.c., for 15 mo., to Europe.

Mr. T. Bosanquet, 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Rutnagherry, has prep. leave for 3 days, before proceeding on 3 years' furl. to Europe, granted to him on Feb. 15 last.

April 19.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following appointments:—

Mr. J. W. Hadow to act as coll. and mag. at Poona during the absence of Mr. J. R. Morgan.

Mr. J. A. G. Duff to act as coll. and mag. of Kaira, v. Mr. J. W. Hadow.

Mr. T. H. Stewart to be 3rd asst. to the coll. and mag. of Ahmedabad, continuing to act as 3rd asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kaira.

Mr. W. B. Mulock to be 3rd asst. to the coll. and mag. of Surat.

Surg. J. G. Nicolson, M.D., 21st regt. N.I., held medical charge of the European General Hospital, Bombay, in add. to his own duties, from Jan. 15, 1865, to 8th inst., both days inclusive.

Mr. S. Bellairs has been app. head master of the High School at Surat.

Mr. S. Bellairs to act as Professor of English Literature at the Poona College.

Mr. T. C. Hayllar, barrister-at-law, has been app. to act as Government Professor of Law.

Rev. E. N. Dickinson, acting chaplain at Ahmednuggur, has leave for 3 mo., from date of quitting that station.

April 19.—The Hon. B. H. Ellis has been app. by H.M.'s Principal Secy. of State for India in Council, a member of Council at this Presidency, in the room of the Hon. J. D. Inverarity.

The Hon. B. H. Ellis took the oaths and his seat on the 3rd inst., as notified in the *Government Gazette Extraordinary* of that date.

April 20.—No. 237.—The furl. to Eur. granted in G.O. dated April 12, No. 212, to Lieut. E. H. Davidson, H.M.'s 26th regt. N.I., is with perm. to proceed via the Cape of Good Hope.

April 25.—No. 238.—Lieut. C. T. Echallaz, 13th regt. N.I., has been app. supernum. asst. to the supt. rev. survey and assessment, Guzerat.

No. 239.—Lieut. H. H. Lee, R.E., 1st class asst. engr. at Ahmedabad, is allowed 6 mo. leave to Eur. without pay.

No. 240.—Lieut. W. C. Ellis, H.M.'s 32nd regt. Madras N.I., is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 18 mo. on m.c.

No. 241.—The undermntd. officers are allowed furl. to Eur. on m.c.:—

Capt. J. Barnes, 2nd in comd. H.M.'s 30th regt. N.I., Jacob's rifles, for 12 mo.

Asst. surg. W. P. Partridge, for 20 mo.

Lieut. R. G. Mayne, 1st regt. L.C., adjt. Southern Mahratta horse, for 18 mo.

Dep. asst. comy. H. Jerrard, for 12 mo., with perm. to proceed via the Cape of Good Hope.

April 26.—No. 246.—The underment. medical officer having completed 12 years' service, to be surg. from the date specified in accordance with para. 23 of G.O. by the Govt. of India, No. 1,860, dated Dec. 23, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Asst. surg. J. M. Barnett, M.D., April 20.

No. 249.—Asst. surg. W. Dymock has been appd. Professor of Materia Medica in the Grant Medical College.

April 22.—Mr. F. L. Brown to act as 2nd mag. of police, v. Mr. H. E. Leeke.

Lieut. F. P. Bartholomew to act as supnt. of police at Dharwar, v. Mr. G. F. Giertzen.

Major J. F. Lester to act as Judge of the Court of Small Causes at Ahmednuggur, v. Rao Bahadoor Moroba Canoba.

April 26.—Mr. H. E. Leeke held the appt. of sen. mag. of police at Bombay from March 26 to April 7, both days inclusive.

The following officers are specially appd. to exercise the powers contemplated by Act XIII. of 1859:—

Dr. H. Cook, supnt. of Mahableshwar.

Mr. I. Dracup, Hoozoor dep. coll. and mag. at Sattara.

The Hon. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following appts. from the date of Mr. G. Inverarity's resignation of the service, viz., 29th inst.:—

The Hon. G. A. Hobart to be sen. asst. judge and sess. judge of the Konkun for the detached station of Rutnagherry, and to act as registrar gen. of assurances, Bombay.

Mr. A. Bosanquet to act as sen. asst. judge and sess. judge of Surat, for the detached station of Broach, till Mr. A. L. Spens returns from leave.

Lieut. G. F. Birdwood, asst. mag., Khandeish, is allowed priv. leave for 2 mo.

Mr. F. H. Souter, comnr. of police, Bombay, is allowed sick leave to Europe for 12 mo.

Mr. H. E. Leeke, 2nd mag. of police, Bombay, is allowed sick leave to Europe for 12 mo.

April 22.—Lieut. C. T. Echallaz, 13th regt. N.I., to be supernum. asst. to the supt. rev. surv. and assessment, Guzerat.

Mr. C. M. Hogg to act as 1st asst. to the coll. and mag. of Surat, v. Mr. C. J. Davies.

H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following appt., consequent on Mr. G. Inverarity's resignation of the service from the 29th inst. :—

Mr. A. D. Robertson to be comr. of customs, salt, and opium.

Mr. A. F. Bellasis to act as comr. of customs, salt, and opium, during the absence in England of Mr. A. D. Robertson.

Mr. A. T. Crawford to act as col. of Bombay, special income tax comr., col. of income tax for the town and island of Bombay, and president of the income tax commission, and supt. of stamps and stationery.

Mr. J. R. Arthur to be confirmed in his appt. of col. and mag. of Sattara.

April 25.—Lieut. A. H. Wodehouse is permitted to resign his appt. of asst. supt. revenue survey and assessment, Southern Mahratta country, from the date he is relieved from his present duties.

April 20.—Mr. G. Inverarity is permitted to resign H.M.'s covenanted C.S. on the Bombay establishment from the 29th inst.

April 24.—The undermentioned licentiate of medicine have been apptd. sub asst. surgs. on the med. estab. of this presy. :—

Mr. J. A. Howell.

Mr. P. J. L. De Souza.

Mr. F. S. Chapman to be confirmed in the appt. of secy. to Govt. in the revenue, financial, and general depts. from the 29th inst.

Mr. A. E. D. Grey to be confirmed in the appt. of private secy. to H.E. the Gov. from the 29th inst.

April 22.—Capt. J. G. T. Griffith, R.E., is apptd. an exec. eng. of the 2nd grade, and to be exec. eng. Belgaum and Kolapoor, v. Capt. Merriman, on the dep. of the latter to Eng. on furl.

The undermentioned officers of the R.E. are apptd. asst. engs., 2nd grade, in the pub. works dept. :—

Lieut. W. Abney.

Lieut. E. J. Alleyne.

Lieut. W. H. Haydon.

Lieut. H. C. Macdiarmid.

April 26.—The Hon. the Gov. in Council has been pleased to appoint Mr. A. F. Bellasis, C.S., a member of the rani and removal committee.

April 24.—Asst. surg. W. Dymock, Bombay European General Hospital, is appointed professor of materia medica in the Grant Medical College.

April 25.—Mr. J. P. Bickersteth was allowed leave to Europe from April 29 (inst.), and not 14th, as announced in notification dated March 13 last.

ERRATUM.—In notification dated 19th inst., for "the Rev. E. N. Dickinson, acting chaplain at Ahmednuggur," read "chaplain of Rutnagherry."

Camp Surat, April 21.—Mr. J. W. Robertson delivered over charge of the office of the collector and magistrate of Kaira to Mr. T. H. Stewart, acting 3rd assistant in that district, on 10th inst.

Mr. J. W. Robertson, acting coll. and mag. of Surat, received charge of his appointment on 12th inst.

Mr. G. Ayerst, of the civil service, has been granted permission to appear before the Examination Committee in Bombay held this month.

Capt. Naylor, superint. of police, Surat, has priv. leave for 1 mo. from 17th inst.

Mr. W. T. Cole, collector of customs, Kurrachee, is vested with the full powers of a magistrate in the Kurrachee district.

BIRTHS.

BATTERSBY.—At Jamalpoor, near Monghyr, April 10, the wife of Mr. Richard Battersby, Paymaster, East Indian Railway, of a daughter.

BELL.—At Jacobabad, April 8, the wife of Captain Bell, Jacob's Rifles, of a daughter.

BERTHOX.—At Mount Abo, Rajpootana, April 13, the wife of Captain J. F. Berthox, Staff Corps, of a son.

BUCKLE.—At Poona, April 14, the wife of Lieut. A. L. Buckle, R.E., prematurely, of a son, still-born.

BROWNE.—At Allahabad, April 13, the wife of James Browne, Esq., F.R.C.S.L., Bengal Medical Service, of a daughter.

CROSS.—At Bareilly, April 1, the wife of Sergeant W. Cross, of the Army Commissariat Department, of a daughter.

CHISHOLM.—At Rampoor, Beaulah, April 10, Mrs. R. F. Chisholm, of a daughter.

CLARTON.—At Elliot's-road, April 7, the wife of Mr. H. Clarton, of a son.

CLERK.—At Nursingpore, Central Provinces, April 6, the wife of O. Deacon Clerk, Esq., C.E., of a son.

CHAPPLE.—At Poona, April 18, the wife of Assistant-Surgeon Chapple, Royal Horse Artillery, prematurely, of a son, still-born.

DENTON.—At Mhow, April 19, the wife of Mr. C. Denton, in charge of the Military Treasury Chest, of a son.

DANIEL.—At Shajehanpore, April 7, the wife of Clarmont Daniell, Esq., C.S., of a daughter.

DORAN.—At Howrah, April 14, the wife of Mr. H. Doran, of a son.

EVANS.—At 3, Elysium-row, April 19, the wife of Lewis Pugh Evans, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, of a son.

HALL.—At Rawul Pindie, April 6, the wife of Major Hall, Officiating Deputy Commissioner, of a daughter.

HALL.—At Parell, April 13, the wife of Mr. E. L. Hall, of a daughter.

HAND.—At Mhow, April 17, the wife of Mess Sergeant J. Hand, 6th Inniskilling Dragoons, of a daughter.

HOWARD.—At Byculla, April 13, the wife of Mr. E. Howard, Engineer, Break Works, Kheim, of a daughter.

HICKEY.—At No. 14, Writer's-buildings, Dalhousie-square, Calcutta, April 13, the wife of W. R. Gilbert Hickey, Esq., C.E., of a son.

JENKINS.—At Meerut, April 9, the wife of Lieut.-Colonel C. V. Jenkins, 19th Hussars, of twin daughters, one still-born.

JOHNSON.—At Bhowanipore, April 11, the wife of the Rev. W. Johnson, of a son.

LOWNDS.—At Mount Abo, on April 17, the wife of Surg. T. M. Lownds, M.D., Rajpootana agency, of a daughter.

MACKENZIE.—At Matheran, on April 23, prematurely, the wife of Surg. M. M. Mackenzie, H.M.'s 22nd regt. N.I., of a son, still-born.

MOORE.—At Outacamund, on April 2, Neilgherry Hills, the wife of Lieut. col. Moore, 108th reg., of a son.

MEADE.—At the Residency, Indore, April 10, the wife of Lieut. col. Meade, Agent, Governor gen. for Central India, of a daughter.

MOIR.—At Umballa, on April 14, the wife of Lieut. col. Moir, R.H.A., of a daughter.

MORGAN.—At Calcutta, April 14, the wife of W. Morgan, Esq., of a son.

NEWTON.—At Cawnpore, April 19, the wife of T. Newton, Esq., of a son.

SMITH.—At Mazagon, April 15, the wife of Mr. H. Smith, of a daughter.

SOADY.—At Peshawur, March 23, the wife of Mr. M. B. Soady, of a daughter.

WALLACE.—At Rookwood, Simla, April 12, Mrs. Henry Wallace, of a son.

WIKOFF.—At Mynpoory, April 12, the wife of the Rev. B. D. Wikoff, Missionary, of a son.

WARBURTON.—At Kurnal, April 19, the wife of Mr. J. P. Warburton, Assistant District Superintendent of Police, of a son.

WILKINS.—At Jubbulpore, April 2, the wife of Lieut. W. H. Wilkins, Bengal Staff Corps and Revenue Survey, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BURNS-BENNETT.—At Byculla, April 25, Jerome Burns, Esq., Memb. Inst. C.E., to Mary, eldest daughter of Mr. Edward Bennett, of Parell.

HELY-NORTH.—At St. Thomas's Church, Calcutta, April 1, Mr. Denis P. Hely, Berenag Tea Plantation, Almora, to Mary Jane, daughter of J. North, Esq.

MICHEL-HAY.—At Meerut, April 17, John Michel, Esq., C.E., of Dásná, to Sarah Elizabeth, youngest daughter of the late John Duncan Hay, Esq.

NISBET-WILSON.—At Jullundur, April 6, Robert Parry Nisbet, Esq., Bengal Staff Corps, Asst. Commissioner in the Punjab, to Anne, youngest daughter of John Delap Wilson, Esq., of Milford, Hants.

READE-HAMILTON.—At Kotagherry, on April 8, Charles William Reade, Esq., M.C.S., to Helen Bishop, daughter of Major Johnston Hamilton, Madras Ordnance Staff.

REID-LEARMONTH.—At Benares, on March 29, Major Blair T. Reid, staff corps, to Harriett, eldest daughter of J. L. Learmonth, Esq., of Southfield, Ryde, Is. of Wight.

ROBERTS-WELLS.—At Tellicherry, on April 6, Richard Samuel Roberts, Esq., 13th regt. M.N.I., eldest son of Lieut. col. Roberts, of Waterford, late of Madras Army, to Emily, eldest daughter of John Wells, Esq., of Tellicherry.

SHEPHERD—MEIKLEJOHN.—At the Cathedral, Bombay, on April 27, J. A. Shepherd, Esq., to Eliza Katharine, third daughter of the late Rev. Robert Meiklejohn.

SORABJEE JEJEEBHAY—MANACKJEE RUSTOMJEE.—At Mazagon, Bombay, on April 12, Ardaseer, eldest son of Sorabjee Jejebhoy, Esq., of Bombay, to Serene, daughter of Manackjee Rustomjee, Esq., of Calcutta.

WALSH-DUNCAN.—At St. James' Church, Roy Bareilly, on April 18, John William Walsh, Esq., to Margaret Jane, daughter of Mr. G. Duncan, Army Commissariat Department.

DEATHS.

BATLEY.—On board the *Golconda*, on April 12, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Batley.

CORCORAN.—At Kussowlie, April 14, in the 23rd year of her age, Mrs. Sarah Corcoran, relict of the late Mr. Charles Corcoran, sincerely and deeply regretted. A friend to the widow and the orphan, and a lover of the beauty of God's house.

COLE.—At Bombay, Upper Colaba, April 14, E. Henchman Cole, Esq., M.R.C.S.E., formerly of Pernambuco, eldest son of the Rev. Edward Cole, Vicar of Plumstead, Norwich, in the 30th year of his age.

DELAP.—At Jullundur, April 10, St. George John Delap, the only child of Capt. and Mrs. Wilson, aged 7 months and 23 days.

DOUGLAS.—At Kurrachee, April 14, Patrick, son of Mr. James Douglas, Agent Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, aged 18 months.

FISK-WILLIAMS.—Opposite Chandernagore, April 4, Frank Fisk-Williams, accidentally drowned, aged years.

FRENCH.—At Simla, April 13, Juliet Augusta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. French, aged 16 years 7 months.

GALE.—At Mahim, April 12, suddenly, Mr. Henry Gale, of London, clerk to Messrs. Alexander C. Brice and Co., aged 30.

GLACKAN.—At Kamptee, April 19, Mr. James P. J. Glackan, Chief Clerk Commissioner's Office, Central Provinces, aged 35.

GIRDLESTONE.—At sea, on board the P. and O. str. *Orissa*, between Hong Kong and Galle, on the 26th Feb., of dysentery, Henry Girdlestone, second son of the Rev. Canon Girdlestone, aged 23 years.

HASLANE.—At Dehra Doon, on April 17, Eliza, relict of the late Capt. T. Haslane, 25th Regiment N.I., deeply regretted.

HYLAND.—At Augur, on April 5, Mr. W. H. Hyland, resalidar, 2nd Central India Horse.

LITTLEPAGE.—At Calcutta, on March 14, Mary B., infant daughter of James and Maria Littlepage, aged 1 year and 8 months.

MANTELL.—At Calcutta, on March 23, Eliza Eugenia, the wife of Dr. A. A. Mantell, Civil Assistant Surgeon of Burdwan.

NELSON.—At Calcutta, on April 6, Margery Ann, youngest daughter of J. B. Nelson, Esq., C.E., aged 16 years.

NOCK.—At Cowasjee, Patel Tank-road, Bombay, April 17, Rebecca Jane, the beloved wife of Mr. W. Nock, jun., aged 19 years, 9 months, and 7 days.

Ogilvie.—At Meeran Meer, April 17, the wife of Capt. T. S. Ogilvie, D.A.C.G., aged 29.

POWELL.—At Eastern Barrakur, April 6, W. R. Powell, Esq., C.E.B.A.T.C.D., exec. engr., Barrakur-bridge.

RIACH.—At Hoshungabad, March 30, Alexander Whitson Riach, youngest son of the late Major W. A. Riach, 79th Highlanders, aged 26.

SMITH.—At the European General Hospital, Bombay, April 17, John Smith, late chief officer of the ship *Northern Belle*, aged 28 years.

STUART.—At Bombay, April 24, of brain-fever, Lucy Constance, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Stuart, aged 17 months.

SAVI.—At No. 1, Theatre-road, Calcutta, April 12, Eliza Catherine, wife of Thomas Savi, Esq., of Moigunje Factory, Kishnagar.

TISSENDIE.—At Howrah, April 12, Mr. Leon Curtis Tissendie, aged 22.

WALTER.—At Colaba, Bombay, April 17, Maria Eleanor Clifton, relict of Charles Walter, Esq., Bombay Civil Service, and second daughter of Brigd. gen. Lucas, R.A.

WEST.—At Allahabad, April 21, Charlotte, child of Mr. and Mrs. West, Locomotive Department, E.I. Railway.

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A NEW PHASE OF THE INDIAN ARMY QUESTION.

THE vote in the House of Commons upon the claims of Indian officers is to result in another Royal Commission, to inquire how far the recommendations of the first have been carried out. Lord Dufferin has made this announcement in the House of Lords since our last publication; and the general opinion expressed, both in and out of doors, is that the Government have adopted the best possible means *not* to give satisfaction. A conclusion in which nothing is concluded is usually considered an anomaly; but an inquiry into what everybody knows is something worse. In the one case the insufficiency may be supplied, but in the other the loss of time is beyond recall, and is the more vexatious from being utterly unnecessary.

The debate which arose from the motion of Lord Donoughmore on this subject was more animated and to the point than that elicited by Captain Jervis in the other House. Lord Dufferin represented the official side of the question with a vigour which lost nothing from his suavity; and, if anybody could persuade people who happen to know better, that the utmost has been done in the case of the claimants that the most unremitting diligence and determination could effect, and that the condition of the said claimants has been greatly improved instead of greatly injured by the change complained of—that man would be the noble lord. But people who happen to know better are apt to be obstinate; so Lord Dufferin made no impression upon the best informed of the Peers, who, besides putting the Ministerial vision right in some matters of fact, reminded their lordships that after all the question is not one of legality. Whatever be the law of the case, argued Lord Lyveden, the claimants have been treated ungenerously and shabbily; and the honour of the country, added Lord Houghton—who said no more, doubtless, than Lord Lyveden meant—is involved in the liquidation of the claims. The speakers who attempted

to support the views of the Government showed, upon some material points, a very imperfect acquaintance with the subject. It was stated, for instance, that the principal grievance—in relation to the Staff Corps—had not been admitted by the Royal Commission. This misapprehension is founded upon the fact that the Commissioners declared that, as far as promotion was concerned, they could not think the retention upon the cadres of their old regiments of the names of officers transferred to the Staff Corps, was practically a departure from the assurance given by Parliament. But they added that the rules upon which the Staff Corps has been formed, which give superior rank to many of the officers selected for the Corps, and so cause extensive supercession, are a just ground of complaint, and an unnecessary departure from the Parliamentary guarantee—the latter point being the whole gist of the question, so far as the Staff Corps is concerned.

But the most important avowal made by the apologists of Government was that of Lord Cranworth, who let us into the truth of the principle upon which the case seems to have been judged. The claimants, he declared, had been denied a full measure of satisfaction because it was found impossible to accord it. The Amalgamation measure did not admit of a full concession of the advantages which they had enjoyed under the old system. The great difficulty in the way of an adjustment was the "unfortunate clause" which gave the guarantee. The claimants had no legal rights, and the clause should never have been made a part of the Act. Such an opinion, coming as it does from the learned lord, may well be regarded with astonishment. Lord Cranworth may not object to have the decision of the Commission, of which he was the head, set at nought in several important respects. That he should choose to waive his own dignity in the matter is his affair. But when he accepted the office he accepted the basis upon which the deliberations of the Commissioners were to be made. He accepted the guarantee, in fact, and was bound to respect it as the test of the claims which he undertook to investigate. His legal opinion was not asked for, irrespective of the condition by which the Legislature was bound. It is too much, therefore, that he should now come forward and prejudice the case by the gratuitous assertion that the officers of the Indian army had no legal rights, and that the "unfortunate clause" should never have been allowed. The clause may be unfortunate as far as presenting a difficulty is concerned. The work of amalgamation might doubtless have been much simplified by ruining the Indian officers out of hand. But the Government which the learned lord goes

so far out of his way to support, never intended proceeding to this extremity. There are many cases in which fair dealing is less convenient than unfair dealing, in which a disregard of honesty would come particularly handy; but States as well as individuals usually accept the condition as necessary to their own honour, and paramount to all other considerations. It is to be regretted, therefore, that Lord Cranworth's too exclusively legal view of this matter should have blinded his better judgment, and caused an inference which can scarcely be in accordance with his real sentiments. If Sir Charles Wood has been actuated by the same reasoning to regard the "unfortunate clause" as an undeserved concession, his own unwillingness to carry out its provisions is sufficiently explained.

But Lord Cranworth, and those whom he may have influenced in this matter, must remember an important fact. The "unfortunate clause" was a deliberate vote of the Legislature, and conferred whatever legal rights may have been previously wanting. It was because such legal rights were doubtful, or difficult of enforcement, that the provision was made. The Royal Commissioners declared that the guarantee had been violated in several important respects; and it being clearly shown that the Government, though consenting to make concessions in some particulars, had still failed to give it full effect, the House of Commons came to another vote on the subject. This vote, we regret to find, has not been met in a satisfactory manner. There was no need for another Royal Commission, for the delay and vexation of further consideration, another report, more discussion, and with no security that the claims, however fully admitted, will be satisfied in the end. As for the inherent difficulties of amalgamation, the argument is one which the Government have no right to employ. The objections to the measure were pointed out at the time by the first Indian authorities—including Lord Canning, Sir James Outram, and Sir John Lawrence—who declared, in fact, the fusion to be incompatible with justice to the Indian officers. The Government, having undertaken the task, have surely no right to complain if the responsibility is now urged upon them. That the position of the claimants can be maintained in its integrity we do not, of course, suppose; but something more in the way of equivalents they have a right to expect, and these, we trust, will not be withheld in the end, however unpromising may be the present delay.

CAPT. BENJAMIN MORTIN FESLING, K.H., R.N., died lately at Hill House, Dorchester-road, Weymouth, aged seventy-one. He served on the East India and China station in H.M.S. *Tyne*, twenty-four; and *Wellesley*, seventy-four, from 1814 to 1816.

BOOKS.

A Digest of Moohummudan Law, on the Subjects to which it is Usually Applied by British Courts of Justice in India. Compiled and translated from authorities in the original Arabic, with an Introduction and Explanatory Notes. By Neil B. E. Baillie, Member of the Royal Asiatic Society, &c. Smith, Elder, and Co.

This "digest," which extends to a volume of 800 pages, is, we are told by the author in his preface, intended to exhibit the doctrines of the Hanifaea sect on all the subjects to which the Moohummudan law is usually applied by British Courts of Justice in India. The Hanifaea is the first, and by far the most numerous of the four Soonee or orthodox schools of Moohummudan lawyers. Its doctrines are law throughout the Turkish Empire, and generally throughout the Mussulman countries of Asia, with the exception of Persia, where the Shia is the prevailing sect. The Nawab Viziers of Oude were of this persuasion, but so long as they preserved a nominal allegiance to the Sovereigns of Delhi, the Hanifaea code remained the law of the province. Since they attained independent regal dignity the Hanifaea has been gradually superseded by the Imameea code, which Mr. Baillie believes to be now administered by the British Government to Mussulmans of the province as the recognised law. The present work is founded chiefly on the great digest of Moohummudan Law, compiled by command of the Emperor Arumgebe Alumgeer, and known as the *Futawa Alumgeeree*. That work, having been compiled in India, and by the authority of a Mussulman sovereign, should, the author thinks, have been adopted as the standard authority for its courts of justice. "It was," he adds, "perhaps, thought too voluminous for translation; and the preference for that purpose was given to the *Hidayah*, which was first translated into Persian by learned natives of that country, and from the Persian language translated into English by Mr. Charles Hamilton. This adoption of the *Hidayah* has rendered it necessary to keep that work in view wherever it may seem to differ from the authorities to which the compilers of the *Futawa Alumgeeree* have given the preference. I have not confined my use of it to these points, but have freely quoted from the *Hidayah* and its two celebrated commentaries, the *Kifayah* and *Mayah*, as well as other available authorities, wherever I thought it necessary for a more complete exposition of the law." Such is the scope and plan of the work. With regard to the execution, we need only say that it appears marked by care and efficiency; and that the arrangement and references are well adapted for convenience in consultation. It has also had the advantage of revision by Mr. William Macpherson, barrister-at-law, and formerly Master in Equity of the Supreme Court at Calcutta.

THE LATE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN INDIA.
—Sir Hugh Rose, accompanied by Major Burne, A.D.C., arrived in London on Sunday morning last, from Paris.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF LORDS.—MAY 15.

CLAIMS OF INDIAN OFFICERS.

After several petitions had been presented from officers of the Indian army complaining of the manner in which the amalgamation with the army of the Queen had been effected, the Earl of DONOUGHMORE at some length directed attention to the grievances under which the petitioners were suffering, and expressed a hope that Government would take the matter into their serious consideration, and, if necessary, agree to a commission of inquiry.

Lord DUFFERIN, speaking in behalf of the Indian Government, contended that if any grievances had ever existed, they had not only been removed by the arrangements recently made, but the position of these officers was better now than previously. He intimated, however, that a commission would be issued to inquire how far the recommendations of the former commission had been carried out.

Lord LYVEDEN expressed an opinion that the Indian Government had treated the officers of the Indian army in a shabby and ungenerous spirit, for from the first, so far from attending to their complaints, they had declined to carry out the recommendations of a Royal Commission in their favour. Instead of suspending the matter by commission after commission, it would be much better to meet these complaints in a wise and liberal manner.

Lord HOUGHTON strongly supported the claims of the petitioners, which were disputed by the Duke of ARGYLE. Observations were also made by Lord CRANWORTH in explanation of the proceedings of the last commission; and the Earl of DONOUGHMORE, in briefly replying, ridiculed the appointment of another commission.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MAY 15.

THE INDIAN MEDAL.

Mr. W. MILLER asked the Secretary of State for India when the return moved for on the 20th of March, relative to the grant of the Indian medal to the troops and police employed in suppressing the mutiny and rebellion in the Bombay presidency, would be laid upon the table; and why had no action been taken on Lord Elphinstone's protest to satisfy the troops and police who were promised the medal, and then refused by the Commander-in-Chief (especially in regard to the police, who were under the civil power, and not subject to any control whatever from the Commander-in-Chief); and on what principle did the Secretary of State for India explain the distinction he had made in granting the medal to the men at Kolaporn, under General Jacob, and denying it to those who were engaged in other parts of the Bombay presidency.

Sir C. WOOD said, in reply to the first part of the question, that the delay in the production of the return had been the result of sickness in the department, which had crippled its efficiency; but he believed that the desired information would be laid before the House in the course of a few days. With regard to the second question, he had to state that he was not aware what was meant by the protest of Lord Elphinstone, and the fact was that he could not find any trace of such a document. In answer to the third question, he had to say that the Bombay Government, as well as the Commander-in-Chief, were of opinion that the force employed in that particular service to which the hon. gentleman referred were not entitled to the medal; and the Indian Government arrived at a similar conclusion. It was asked why the medal was given to the Madras force while it was denied to the Bombay force. But the fact was that it was not given generally to either the one or the other of those two bodies. The principle adopted in the case of the Bombay force was to give it to those men who had been engaged in the field against the enemy, and to confine it to them exclusively.

STAFF CORPS PROMOTION IN MADRAS.

Mr. HEYGATE asked the Secretary of State for India whether any return had been furnished by the Madras authorities in India, showing the effect of the staff corps promotions on the lieutenant-colonels of the local service in that presidency; what had been the effect on these lieutenant-colonels by the brevet promotions which were to remedy the supersession caused by the staff corps warrant; and if he would lay upon the table of the House copies of any representations from the Government of India, Madras, or Bombay, and from the commanders-in-chief of the presidencies respecting army arrangements ordered by the Secretary of State for India in 1861.

Sir C. WOOD said the Government had determined to recommend Her Majesty to appoint a commission to inquire into the subject.

CIVIL SERVICE IN INDIA.

Mr. TORRENS asked the Secretary of State for India when it was intended that the new rule for open competitive examinations for the civil service in India, fixing the maximum limit of age at twenty-one years, was to have effect; and whether there would be any objection to postpone its operation until such a time that it could not injuriously effect persons who had studied for the examinations under the belief that the old rule, making the maximum limit twenty-two years, would not be altered; and what publicity had been given to the new rule; whether its publication by the Civil Service Commissioners or the Secretary of State had been confined to the note at the foot of the printed "Regulations for the Open Competition of 1865," or had it been published in the English, Irish, Scotch, Colonial, or Indian official gazettes, as well as in some of the London and provincial newspapers.

Sir C. WOOD stated that the new regulations with respect to the civil service examinations in India would take effect in 1866.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MAY 16.

EAST INDIA CIVIL SERVICE.

Mr. A. MILLS drew attention to the existing regulations for examination of candidates for the civil service in India; and moved an address for copy of all correspondence on the subject between the India Office and the Civil Service Commissioners which had not yet been laid before Parliament. The hon. member said that the system of competitive examination had been established ten years ago, and he would now therefore discuss any of the questions which had arisen as to whether it was or was not an improvement of the system which it displaced. The point he wished to raise was simply the present system so constructed as to secure to the civil service the best possible class of servants. The examination papers under the fourth regulations gave a list of twelve or thirteen subjects, and required that every candidate should be "examined only in the following branches, viz., English language history, literature, and composition; the language, literature, and history of Greece, Rome, France, Germany, and Italy; mathematics, pure and mixed; chemistry, geology, mineralogy, the moral sciences and logic, &c. What he should suggest was that the candidates should have the option of selecting three or four subjects out of the list, and be limited to three or four—(hear). This would be a great advantage to the examiners themselves, although he did not presume to pry into the mysteries of marks, because he thought the examiners would then be able to concentrate their attention with more effect on each case, and to decide more accurately as to the qualities of the young men. He proposed this change also in the interest of the public service itself. They might be told that the present system had worked well; and he found, from a paper lately read by Mr. Horace Mann, on the subject of "The Civil Service of India," that out of fifty candidates, thirty-five were approved,

and only five plucked. It was a remarkable fact, that the proportion of candidates from Oxford and Cambridge had gone on gradually diminishing since that system had been established. That was manifestly a circumstance which should excite serious attention, and which should be regarded with some regret. Another subject which deserved careful consideration was the existence of the practice of allowing the young men, after they had passed the examinations, to remain for many months in London without subjecting them to any kind of control. He would not undertake to say how far that practice ought to be changed; but it would certainly be desirable to impose, if possible, some checks on the abuses it was apt to occasion. The object they ought all to have in view in that matter was to obtain the best servants they could for India, and, at the same time, to do nothing to damage the cause of education in England. The hon. gentleman concluded by moving for a copy of the correspondence.

Mr. B. COCHRANE seconded the motion.

After a discussion in which Mr. Neate, Lord Stanley, Mr. H. Seymour, Mr. Smollett, Mr. G. Duff, Mr. P. Hennessey, Mr. Kinnaird, Mr. Torrens, Sir F. Heygate, and Mr. Vansittart took part,

Sir C. WOOD said, with regard to the competitive examination referred to at the time when the noble lord was Secretary for India, if he remembered rightly, there were thirty vacancies to be competed for, and that the examination of the 400 who appeared was of the most elementary character—reading, writing, and ciphering. He should not go into the question of competitive examination generally. The real question which the hon. gentleman wished to raise was as to the examination as it stood for the India civil service. The principle of the system was that it should be open to all British subjects in all parts of the world and of all colour. It was only just to the natives of India that they should have their choice. At the last examination a very intelligent Hindoo was successful, and now held a situation in the civil service in India. He hoped the education now given to the natives would enable them to qualify themselves for taking a share in the civil service of their country—(hear, hear). The system of competitive examination should be so open as to embrace persons educated in any portion of the empire, either at the universities or at schools, public or commercial. Such an examination was not to be regarded as a test of knowledge on any particular subject so much as of general capacity and intellectual ability. If honourable gentlemen would read the names of the commissioners, among whom were those of Lord Macaulay and the Rev. Henry Melvill, they would see that they were men who were not likely to recommend any system which would deter university men from coming forward. It was not his own belief that the system tended to discourage university men. He admitted that the number of university candidates had fallen off, and he was sorry for it, because, independently of their education, their character eminently fitted them for the duties of the service. But the circumstance referred to by the noble lord was quite sufficient to account for that falling off. He had been informed that better opportunities of advancement for such men now existed in this country, and that they were not disposed to go to India. Besides, a great increase and a great improvement had taken place in other educational establishments in the kingdom, and more candidates capable of competing came forward. His attention had been called to the subject brought forward by the hon. gentleman opposite, and he had referred to the civil service commissioners on the subject. Although the tendency of the competitive examination was to encourage cramming, still it seemed to be thought that the object which the hon. gentleman opposite had in view might be attained by a more careful system of marking. The

hon. gentleman referred to the change which had been made as to remaining a longer time in this country. It was perfectly true that the great object they sought in the further examination was mainly the attainment of a knowledge of administration of the law, not a theoretical acquaintance, but a practical knowledge of its mode of administration. There was hardly a civil servant in India who had not more or less to administer judicial or quasi-judicial duties. He might be a judge, or a magistrate, or a revenue collector; and the attendance was required at the courts in order that the party might see how justice was administered, and acquire the knowledge which was essential to the proper performance of their functions in India. Hence the year which heretofore was passed in the presidency was now passed in London. There was no doubt a further question as to whether an establishment in the immediate neighbourhood of London similar to what Haileybury was, should be formed for their reception. That was a subject which had been considered. It had been urged that a very large portion of the candidates who passed the year in London stayed with their families or other relatives, and had therefore a moral superintendence over their conduct which could not be exerted to the same extent in a college. Their opinion upon the matter was reserved until they saw how the thing worked; and if their experience should show such an institution to be necessary the Government would not shrink from any consideration of expense. The Government of India were strongly of opinion that it was indispensable not to increase the ultimate high limit of age in the civil service—that was that they, the parties, should not go out to India older than they did hitherto; and, therefore, being kept longer in this country, it was indispensable to reduce the age at which they were taken. Their object in providing for the service of India was to go into the world at large, to throw their net as widely as they could, to get well-educated people wherever they found them, in whatever they might be educated, whether Latin, Greek, Sanscrit, French, or German, mathematics or moral science, whether trained in the commercial schools or the universities, if educated up to a certain point and possessing the qualifications which the Government required. With regard to the motion before the House the papers were being printed, and would be published in the appendix to the report of the civil service commission.

Mr. A. MILLS said he would be glad if the right hon. gentleman would lay the papers on the table.

Sir C. WOOD had not the slightest objection to produce them. The only point of objection which occurred to him was as to their being printed in a separate form, causing an unnecessary expense.

The motion was then withdrawn.

TRANSFER OF INDIAN NAVAL OFFICERS.

Mr. MITCHELL asked the Secretary of State for India whether, in the event of the transfer of Singapore from his department to that of the colonies, full provision would be made for the continued employment of naval officers holding command under him in the Straits of Malacca.

Sir C. WOOD replied that he did not understand the question.

Mr. MITCHELL explained that there were certain officers employed at that moment in the Straits of Malacca, and they found that under the recent changes they would be superseded by officers of the Royal navy.

Sir C. WOOD promised to make inquiries, and answer on a later day.

LIGHTHOUSES AT CEYLON.

Mr. B. COCHRANE asked the President of the Board of Trade to lay upon the table a copy of all correspondence which had passed since 1854 between the colonial government of Ceylon, the Board of Trade, and the Colonial

Office, respecting the lighthouse to be erected on the Basses Rocks, Ceylon, and of any reports referring to the same.

Mr. M. GIBSON said the whole correspondence was already upon the table.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MAY 18.

Petitions were presented by Sir F. KELLY, from Capt. Wm. Phillips of the Bengal Native Infantry, retired on half-pay, praying for his sick leave to count as service to enable him to retire on full pension, with a step of honorary rank, and such remedy as to the House may seem just. From Mr. F. M. Lewin for alteration in the rules for examination for the Indian Civil Service. By Mr. DUTTON, from Capt. T. C. J. Brownlow, 2nd in command of Bengal Cavalry, and from Wellesley Campbell, Lieut. in the Bengal Army, complaining of violation of rights secured to them by Parliamentary guarantees, and praying for redress.

HOUSE OF LORDS.—MAY 19.

THE INDIA OFFICE BILL.

The India Office Bill was read a second time with the Public Offices (site and approaches) Bill, after a few words from Lord REDESDALE and Lord LONGFORD.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MAY 19.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

Mr. G. DUFF called attention to the manner in which the information required to be laid before Parliament by the Government of India Act was supplied.

Mr. KENNAIRD thought the spirit of the law was not complied with, and suggested that if the Government could not draw up a summary of the Indian documents, it might, at least, order a larger number of copies of the reports printed in India to be laid on the table of the library.

Sir C. WOOD was understood to state that, for use, the text of these documents was better than a mere summary.

MEDALS FOR INDIAN SERVICE.

Mr. MILLER asked the Secretary of State for India, with reference to his reply to a question addressed to him on the 15th instant, whether he was prepared to order that the medal be now distributed to all the troops, regular and irregular, who were actually engaged (that being the admitted principle and limitation) in the field against rebels and mutineers in the Bombay Presidency during 1857, 1858, and 1859, as it was a matter of absolute certainty that officers and men of several corps, regular and irregular, employed in the Deccan and elsewhere, and who were actually engaged against rebels and mutineers, had not received the medal.

Sir C. WOOD could not admit that any officer entitled to a medal had not received it, and was not prepared, therefore, to give any general order on the subject. If any case of omission were brought under his notice they would receive attention.

Sir J. ELPHINSTONE begged leave to ask whether there were not certain officers employed against the Bheels who, as in the case of the Tantia Toperaid, were practically rebels; and whether those officers were not, therefore, entitled to medals.

Sir C. WOOD was under the impression that they were troops employed in putting down bands of robbers, and the Government in India did not consider that putting down a band of robbers was to be treated in the same way as the suppression of an open rebellion.

THE RIGHTS OF JUDGES IN INDIA.

Mr. VANSITTART asked the Secretary of State for India whether his attention had been drawn to the memorial of Mr. Buckle, relating to his arbitrary dismissal from the office of civil and sessions judge of Moorsheadabad by Mr. Beadon, the Lieutenant-governor of Bengal, contrary to the protests of the judges of

the High Court of Judicature; and, if so, what steps had been taken on the subject.

Sir C. Wood said that Mr. Buckle, who had succeeded an old officer to a judgeship, pursuant to the practice usual in that country, was found to be incompetent to deal with all kinds of cases that came before him, although he was able to dispose satisfactorily of others, and he was removed from official employment altogether. He (Sir C. Wood) agreed that the grounds of his removal from employment altogether were insufficient, and he had directed the lieutenant-governor to employ Mr. Buckle in some situation for which he was properly qualified—(hear).

HOUSE OF LORDS, MAY 23.

TREATMENT OF BRITISH SUBJECTS IN ABYSSINIA.

Lord CHELMSFORD moved for the correspondence connected with the imprisonment of Captain Cameron and other British subjects in Abyssinia, which if not caused had been seriously prolonged by the delay of the Foreign Office in replying to or acknowledging an autograph letter of the Emperor Theodoros.

Earl RUSSELL said that remarks which might be supposed to reflect on the conduct of the Emperor of Abyssinia were very likely to be retaliated upon the unfortunate captives; and in that case the noble and learned lord would be responsible. The matter was an extremely delicate one; but the imputations levelled against the Foreign Office were altogether groundless. He had consulted the highest authorities on the best manner of approaching the Emperor, and had acted on their advice. Information had been received that the prisoners were no longer kept in chains, and as officers were already waiting at Massowah with a letter from the Queen and presents for the Emperor, he trusted they would soon be set at liberty.

The House having divided, the motion was carried by forty-three to forty-two against the Government.

THE LEVEE.

By command of the Queen a Levee was held on Saturday, at St. James's Palace, by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, on behalf of her Majesty. Presentations to his Royal Highness at this Court were, by the Queen's pleasure, considered as equivalent to presentation to her Majesty.

The Moorshedabad Princes, Mirza Syud Hussein Ali, Mirza Syud Hossein Ali, and Mirza Syud Mahommed Ali (sons of the Nawab Nazem, of Moorshedabad, descendant of the Nabobs of Bengal), accompanied by Lieut.-Colonel C. Herbert, Bengal Staff Corps, were presented by the Right Hon. Sir Charles Wood, Secretary of State for India.

The following presentations of officers and gentlemen connected with India took place:—
Capt. C. Barton, 7th Dragoon Guards, by Col. Custance.

Lieut. W. Bennett, 6th Inniskilling Dragoons, by the Adjutant-general.

Lieut. W. H. Benyon, 23rd Fusiliers, by General Sir A. Horsford.

Major-general Sir Sydney Cotton, v.c.b., on appointment to the staff, by the Duke of Cambridge.

Major-general A. T. Cunynghame, c.b., on his return from the divisional command at Lahore, by the Duke of Cambridge.

Mr. Manockjee Cursetjee, Judge from Bombay, by Sir Charles Wood.

Major-general Margary, Royal Engineers, on return from India, and promotion by the Commander-in-Chief.

Lieut.-general Sir Robert Napier, on appointment, as Commander-in-Chief at Bombay, by the Duke of Cambridge.

Major J. L. Pearce, Madras Staff Corps, by Sir Charles Wood.

Major G. R. Westmacott, Bengal Staff Corps, on promotion, by General Sir J. F. Burgoyne.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Westropp, High Court of Bombay, by Sir Charles Wood.

THE SUEZ CANAL.

The undersigned, delegates of the Chambers of Commerce to the Canal of Suez, after having examined the works already done, and taken into consideration the possibility of the enterprise, report:—

"We started on the 7th inst. from Alexandria by railway for Cairo, where we remained until the morning of the 9th. We then proceeded by railway to Zagazig, where we embarked at 9 o'clock A.M. in boats drawn by mules and camels on the fresh-water canal made by Mehemet Ali, and arrived the same day at Tel-el-Kebir, a station of the company.

"On the 10th, in the morning, we continued our journey in the same manner, and at noon we entered upon the fresh-water canal made by the company. At 5 o'clock P.M. we arrived at Ismailia, the central station on the Suez Canal.

"The 11th we remained at Ismailia to examine the works there, as well as those of Serapium, the most elevated points of the isthmus.

"The 12th we started from Ismailia by the sea canal in boats of small draught drawn by mules and camels. We arrived at Kantara at 4 o'clock P.M., having visited the important workshops and works of El Guisr and El Terdan. From this point, in many places, and for a length altogether of 60 kilometres (about 36 miles), the canal is already excavated to its full width. The portion previously traversed was only about one-third of the width proposed.

"The 13th we left Kantara in the same way for Port Said. Twenty kilometres (12 miles) before reaching this place we found five small steamboats, which brought us to the Mediterranean. There we examined the piers in course of construction.

"The 14th we remained at Port Said to visit the important buildings, workshops, and materials which the company possess in that town.

"The 15th we returned by boat to Ismailia; and the 16th, in the morning, we started for Suez by the fresh-water canal in boats drawn by mules and camels, arriving at Suez in the evening. The two locks intended to connect the sea canal with the fresh-water canal, in course of construction at Ismailia, are not yet finished, and a transshipment here is now necessary.

"Our passage from the Mediterranean to the Red Sea was accomplished in 27 hours, as follows:—11 hours from Port Said to Ismailia, and 16 hours thence to Suez.

"A telegraphic wire extends the whole length of the canal, communicating with the wires of Cairo, Alexandria, and Suez.

"During our voyage we had opportunity to observe the excavators and other machines used for digging the canal. All the works belonging to the company appeared to us built and equipped in a solid and permanent manner. In our opinion the construction of a ship canal across the Isthmus is only a question of time and money.

"We are informed that the company has already made contracts with various contractors for the completion of the ship canal by the 1st of July, 1868, without exceeding the actual capital, including therein the indemnity due by the Egyptian Government under the award of the Emperor Napoleon III.

"During the whole of our trip we received the greatest hospitality from M. de Lesseps and the engineers of the company, and these gentlemen answered freely all the questions which we put to them. (Signed by the Delegates.)

"Cairo, April 17, 1865."

COURT OF EXCHEQUER, MAY 13.

RUMCHUND V. ANDERSON.

The plaintiff is a native of the East Indies and a money-lender and banker at Poonah, at which place the defendant, Major Anderson, was stationed with his regiment, the 6th Dragoons, and the action was brought to recover a sum of £567. 4s. 9d., alleged to be the balance of principal and interest remaining due to the plaintiff for money lent by him to the defendant, the defendant's answer being that the true balance was not more than £80. 9s. 6d., and that he had paid into court more than enough to cover that sum—viz., £85.

On the part of the plaintiff two documents and certain payments of interest that had been made and memoranda relating to them were relied upon as establishing his case; but these

were met by the direct and positive testimony of Major and Mrs. Anderson, who were both present when the acknowledgments were signed at Poonah, and who stated that all that remained due on the 16th of November was the sum of 2,000 rupees, and that both these acknowledgments related to that sum only, which was put in the acknowledgment by the plaintiff at 1,999 rupees 15 annas to save the stamp duty, and that the second acknowledgment was nothing more than a duplicate of the first for the purpose of enabling the plaintiff to hand it to the paymaster as an authority for any money he might pay, according to the terms of the acknowledgment. The documents and the testimony of the defendant and his wife constituted the whole evidence, the plaintiff being absent at Poonah.

After hearing counsel on both sides,

Baron Martin expressed an opinion that the memoranda and payments of interest, instead of being inconsistent with the defendant's evidence, went to support it, and he characterized these proceedings by the plaintiff to get his money twice over as one of the most scandalous frauds he had ever known attempted in a court of justice.

The jury immediately found a verdict for the defendant.

ALLEGED FRAUDS ON THE BANK OF HINDUSTAN.

Mr. Louis Speltz, described as a merchant at Liverpool, was brought up in custody at the Mansion House, having been apprehended on a warrant, signed by the Lord Mayor, charging him with obtaining £1,673. 0s. 9d. from the Bank of Hindustan, China, and Japan (Limited).

In the month of February, last year, the prisoner applied by letter to the Bank of Hindustan to discount a bill drawn by him upon Messrs. Hoffman and Co., of Calcutta, offering as collateral security the bills of lading and shipping documents relating to six cases of quinine, valued at £1,969. 19s. 4d. He was slightly known at the bank, having had business transactions with it about a twelvemonth previously; and the bank, relying on the faith of the accuracy of the documents set forth in the letters alluded to, caused a cheque to be made out for the amount the prisoner specified—namely, £1,673. 8s. 3d. on the Alliance Bank, and which was sent to him at Liverpool on the 5th of February. The bank at once forwarded the bill of exchange and the bills of lading for the six cases of quinine to the Calcutta branch of the Hindustan Bank by the mail leaving England on the 10th of February, and nothing was heard till a short time since, when the bank received an official communication from their agents at Calcutta, to the effect that the six cases of quinine set forth in the bills of lading in question only contained 250 ounces each, instead of 1,000 ounces specified in the original invoice clearing, showing a gross fraud had been committed on the bank, whereupon they caused an inquiry to be instituted into the facts of the previous possession of the quinine by the prisoner. It transpired that the prisoner was the representative in England of Messrs. Hoffman and Co., of Calcutta (since failed). In December last Messrs. Boehringer and Soelme, of Stuttgart, manufacturers of chemicals, received an order, purporting to come from Messrs. Hoffman and Co., for six cases of quinine, containing 250 ounces each, to be sent to Messrs. Dumas, Hankey, and Co., of Fenchurch-street, there to be at the disposal of the prisoner, then Messrs. Hoffman's agent. The quinine was duly forwarded; it was valued at £418. 7s. 9d., and Messrs. Boehringer and Soelme drew upon the prisoner a bill of exchange for the amount, payable to their order in London, at the Joint-Stock Bank. The cases of quinine were marked and numbered B. and S. 1609—14, and upon reference to the invoice of the six cases shipped by the prisoner on board the

Agra for Calcutta to Messrs. Hoffman and Co., the numbers and marks on them were found to be identical. On these discoveries being made, the bank applied to the Lord Mayor for a warrant to take the prisoner into custody on the charge of fraud.

The Lord Mayor said he would allow bail, and fixed it at two securities of £750 each, and the prisoner himself in £1,000, the usual time of twenty-four hours being given the attorney of the prosecutors to inquire into the validity of the bail offered. The prisoner was then removed.

GREAT FAILURE.

The failure of Messrs. Byramjee Cama and Son, reported the other day, and which then created great astonishment in monetary and commercial circles, was officially announced yesterday afternoon. The firm are styled East India merchants, having their head house at Bombay, with branches in London and Liverpool. It appears that a telegram was received in the City yesterday, from Mr. Byramjee Hormusjee Cama, of Bombay, the only partner in the house, announcing his suspension on the 17th inst. The liabilities of the London agency are understood to exceed £1,000,000, and the total amount of debts of the firm to reach somewhere between £3,000,000 and £4,000,000. The house was one of the largest in the East Indian trade, and the failure is said to have arisen through enormous time-bargains in cotton and in many descriptions of share property. It is reported that, owing to the knowledge of the speculative engagements entered into by Mr. B. H. Cama, the house has latterly not enjoyed the high credit it formerly did. At one time it is said that the accumulated wealth of the firm ranged between £750,000 and £1,000,000. The following circular has been issued to the creditors:—

"21, Gresham-house, London, May 23, 1865.

"Gentlemen,—We regret to inform you that we have this day received a telegram from Bombay, dated 17th inst., announcing the suspension of Mr. B. H. Cama (the only partner in the firm of Byramjee Cama and Son of this city, and of Liverpool), and desiring us to suspend payment, and call a meeting of creditors. We beg therefore to announce our suspension, and that we have placed our books in the hands of Messrs. Coleman, Turquand, Youngs, and Co., with instructions to prepare a statement to lay before the creditors. We should add that the telegram states that a meeting of the creditors of Mr. B. H. Cama has been held at Bombay, and trustees appointed to realise all assets, English and foreign, and the full particulars will follow by mail, which, however, cannot arrive before the 24th or 25th proximo.—We are, Gentlemen, Yours, &c.,

"BYRAMJEE CAMA & SON, per B. T. E. ERANEE."

MISCELLANEOUS.

KNIGHTHOOD.—On Wednesday, the 17th inst., at Windsor, the Queen was graciously pleased to confer the honour of knighthood upon the following officers, knights commanders of the Bath, previous to their investiture, by the Prince of Wales, with the insignia of their dignity, viz.:—General Abraham Roberts, Lieut.-general W. Cator, Lieut.-gen. Patrick Montgomerie, Lieut.-general Wm. Wylie, Lieut.-general Charles Ash Windham, Colonel Edward H. Greathed, Major-general Charles Warren. The knights were severally introduced and presented by the Lord Chamberlain, when the Queen conferred on each the honour of knighthood. Each knight then kissed her Majesty's hand and retired.

SCRIPTURE READERS.—A lieutenant of engineers has offered to support a Scripture reader in the Bombay Presidency at his own cost, and the offer has been thankfully accepted by the Army Scripture Readers' and Soldiers' Friend Society. In India especially the workings of this society had, according to their last published report, produced valuable results.

PROPOSED ALTERATION IN THE WEEKLY MAIL TO INDIA.—In reply to a memorial transmitted to the Postmaster-General on the 30th of January, from merchants, bankers, and others, suggesting that the East India mails should be despatched from London on the evening of every Friday, instead of four times in each month, his lordship answers (G.P.O., March 30) that the Post-office, while fully recognizing the advantages which would be derived from an arrangement under which the mails might be despatched on a fixed day in each week, has been deterred from the adoption of the plan by the large additional expense which it would probably cause in a service already entailing a heavy loss. The Postmaster-General observes, in his letter to R. W. Crawford, Esq., M.P.:—"Any change in the days for the despatch of the Indian mails would, of course, affect the despatch, also, of the mails for Australia, which are carried as far as Point de Galle by the Indian Mail Packets; and, in consequence of the receipt of the memorial referred to, the form of tender which had been issued for the conveyance of the Australian mails has been altered, with a view of ascertaining what would be the extent of the additional cost for this portion of the whole service, in the event of the mails being despatched every fourth week instead of once in a calendar month. The tenders are to be sent in on the 10th of next month, and when received they will, in addition to other information already obtained, afford the means of judging what would be the probable cost of the entire service beyond that which is now paid, if the proposed arrangement were carried into effect."

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA.

—The seventh annual meeting of the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London, and China, was held on the 16th inst. at the bank premises, Threadneedle-street, Mr. G. Nicol presiding. The report stated that, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts, defraying the expenses of management at all points, the net profit amounted to £126,082, to which had to be added the sum of £75,831 undivided profit brought forward from the preceding year, making a total of £201,913. Out of this total £136,153 had been paid in two half yearly dividends, making together 20 per cent. on the paid-up capital of the bank, the unappropriated balance of £65,760 being carried to the profit and loss account of the current year. The last instalment of £12. 10s., due in January last upon 10,000 new shares, 1st December, 1863, had been paid, and the Newera Ellia and Tuticorin agencies had been closed, the results not answering expectations. For a similar reason the Mauritius branch would be closed at the end of the current year. Some losses had been incurred in the course of the present year, owing to commercial difficulty, and the profits of the bank would be considerably lessened by the large reserves which they were compelled to keep in the event of contingency, their coin and bullion amounting to £2,178,027, and cash with bankers and money at call to £1,213,917. At the adjourned meeting held yesterday (May 23), Mr. James Murray Robertson and Mr. Ellis James Gilman were unanimously elected directors in the place of Mr. G. P. Robinson and Mr. T. Stenhouse resigned. The chairman availed himself of the opportunity of stating, for the satisfaction of the proprietors, that the failure of Messrs. R. H. Cama and Co., of which intelligence had that morning been received, would cause only a very trifling loss to the bank, owing to the precautions that had been taken and the timely orders sent to Bombay some months since. Nor was the bank affected by any failure since that of Messrs. Buchanan, Hamilton, and Co. The chairman further stated that it was the intention of the board to prevent hereafter retransfers of shares from the London to the Bombay register, it having been found that the facility so afforded gave rise to abuses.

THREE NEW SCHOLARSHIPS IN THE UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH.—We understand that Sir John Bowring, Dr. Holland, and Dr. Verity, the trustees to whom has been confided the very handsome fund left for educational objects by Dr. J. B. Gilchrist, the celebrated Hindustanee scholar, and long a resident in Edinburgh, have, in consideration of the claims of his native city, expressed a willingness to grant to the University of Edinburgh three scholarships of £100 a-year each, to be held for three years by natives of British India who shall have passed competitive examinations in the presidential colleges. These scholarships will be attached respectively to the medical, law, literary, and scientific classes in our university. The views of the donor absolutely exclude all religious tests or distinctions. It is intended, we believe, to attach a similar scholarship to the London University College; and it is to be hoped that out of the generous rivalry between the English and the Scottish capitals great good will redound to our magnificent Indian possessions, and the intellectual light of Western Europe be reflected on the Far East.

CALCUTTA AND SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY.

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THE SCINDE, PUNJAB, AND DELHI BANK.—The half-yearly report of the Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi Bank Corporation to be presented on the 30th inst. shows a profit balance of £3,707, but owing to the late failures in the Indian trade, this, together with the reserve fund of £24,674 will be absorbed by losses, and a further sum of £5,238 will remain to be provided for.

THE MADRAS IRRIGATION AND CANAL COMPANY has published its half-yearly report. It gives a detailed account of operations, and states that the funds in hand at the end of last year amounted to £184,821.

THE EAST INDIA IRRIGATION AND CANAL COMPANY has issued its report, in anticipation of the eighth ordinary general meeting of shareholders. Operations have been prosecuted with energy, and the balance of cash in hand on the 31st of December last was £102,776.

CAPT. MONTGOMERY, OF THE PUNJAB SURVEY.—At the annual meeting of the Royal Geographical Society, held on Monday, the society's gold medal was presented to Captain Montgomery, of the Punjab Survey.

APPOINTMENT.—(Downing-street, May 20).—The Queen has been pleased to appoint Edwin Hutchinson Pollard, Esq., to be one of her Majesty's Counsel for the Colony of Hong Kong.

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DATES OF ADVICES.

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China (Hong Kong).....	April 15.		

MAILS TO INDIA.

Mails to India and China, via Marseilles, are despatched from London as follows, viz.:—Those for Bombay packets, on the evening of the 3rd and 18th of each month; and those for Calcutta packets (including mails for Ceylon, Madras, and China), on the evenings of the 10th and 26th of each month. When any of these dates fall on a Sunday, the mails are made up on the following evening.

Letters and Newspapers can be forwarded to any part of India, via Bombay and Marseilles, and in most cases will reach their destination some days sooner than if despatched by the following Calcutta mail. The Bombay mails via Southampton, however, are no longer available for the transmission of Letters or Newspapers to the Madras Presidency.

Mails for the Mediterranean, and all parts of India and China, except the Bombay Presidency, are despatched via Southampton on the mornings of the 4th and 20th, or, when either of these dates falls on Sunday, upon the previous evening.

Mails for the Mediterranean, the Presidency of Bombay, and Upper or North-West Provinces of Bengal and China, are despatched via Southampton on the 12th and 27th of the month, except when these dates fall on Sunday, in which case they are forwarded on the previous evening.

A French line of mail packets now leaves Marseilles on the 19th of every month for Alexandria. Postage for letters and papers to India and China the same as is charged by the English mail via Marseilles. Letters intended to be forwarded by these packets must be specially addressed "By French mail packet from Marseilles."

POSTAGE.

Via Southampton (pre-payment compulsory), letters under

1 oz. 6d.	2 oz. 2s. 6d.	4 oz. 4s. 6d.
1 oz. 1s. 6d.	3 oz. 3s. 6d.	5 oz. 5s. 6d.

Books, with the ends of the covers open (not exceeding 3 lbs. in weight), if sent via Southampton, under 4 lb., 4d.; under 4 lb., 8d.; under 1 lb., 1s. 4d.; under 1½ lb., 2s.; under 2 lbs., 2s. 8d.; under 2½ lbs., 3s. 4d.; and under 3 lbs., 4s. Postage-stamps must be affixed.

Newspapers for the East Indies, when not exceeding 4 oz., 2d. each; when above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz., 3d. each;—an additional 1d. being charged for every additional 4 oz. or fraction thereof. For all countries or places eastward of Suez, the charge is 2d., whatever the weight of the newspaper.

Via Marseilles (pre-payment compulsory) letters under

1 oz. 10d.	1 oz. 1s. 8d.	2 oz. 3s. 4d.	3 oz. 5s. 0d.
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Newspapers not exceeding 4 oz., 3d., when above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz., 6d. each.

Books under 4 lb., 6d.; under 1 lb., 1s.; and for every additional 1 lb. an additional 1s.

The postage chargeable on book packets, or packets of printed papers, sent to Malta, Alexandria, Cairo, or Suez, via Marseilles, is as follows:—

For a packet not exceeding 4 oz., 4d.; above 4 oz., and not exceeding 1 lb., 8d.; above 1 lb., and not exceeding 1½ lb., 1s. 4d.; above 1½ lb., and not exceeding 2 lbs., 2s.; every additional 1 lb., 8d.

Postage in all cases to be paid in advance.

Postage to Calcutta, &c. (pre-payment compulsory), for letters:

1 oz. 1s. 6d.	1 oz. 2s. 6d.	2 oz. 4s. 6d.	3 oz. 6s. 6d.
1 oz. 1s. 4d.	1 oz. 2s. 4d.	2 oz. 5s. 4d.	3 oz. 8s. 0d.

SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

We have received our usual advices from Calcutta to the 22nd of April, Madras to the 28th of that month, and Ceylon to the 1st of May.

The Calcutta arrivals being of no later date than those received by the Bombay mail on Wednesday, there is nothing calling for particular notice in that Presidency. We may mention, however, that the report of Mr. Massey's indisposition seems to be founded simply upon the fact that he suffered somewhat from exposure to the sun while in the Red Sea, and had to take care of himself for a few days. The alarmist paragraph which sent the news flying through what orators call "the length and breadth of the land," appeared originally in one of the "one too many" Oudh journals—a fact calculated in itself to cause suspicion, as it is one of the principal consolations of provincial life in India to abuse the climate of the Presidency towns, and in this case the anticipated fate of the Finance Minister was of course laid at the door—or should we say ditch?—of Calcutta. It is worthy of remark, too, that the *Friend of India's* story of the expedition to Kokan, which was declared at Lahore to be without the slightest foundation, is admitted by the *Friend* itself to be a *canard*. The *Friend* simply declares that the expedition has not been allowed. We are to suppose, therefore, since there was such a scheme on foot, that the gentlemen whose names were published at Serampore as composing the mission, had invented a policy and appointed themselves to carry it out; had given themselves leave from their present duties, and placed their services at the disposal of the Government; and had, in fact, made all necessary arrangements for setting forth, even to obtaining an escort for their protection. There was only one thing wanting to make the mission an accomplished fact, and that was the consent of the Government. This, unfortunately for the expectants, has not been accorded; so the whole plan remains in the heads of its projectors, and a masterly diplomatic course of action in Central Asia is not destined to light up the pages of history.

It is unfortunate that Madras should fail us upon this occasion, when a little news would be very welcome. But events, as our readers know, are never a strong point of that Presidency. In the papers just received there are the most elaborate

accounts from all quarters of the globe, the most luminous expositions upon subjects of Imperial or abstract interest; but concerning the locality we find a mere nothing. The *Athenæum*, indeed, apologises for dwelling so long upon Sir Charles Trevelyan's Budget—which it is really working to death—by stating that the affairs of the Presidency "for the past fortnight have been a complete blank." The avowal reminds one of the announcements in the playbills—"An interval of two years supposed to elapse between the acts." If ever the history of Madras is dramatised, there must be frequent gaps of this kind.

Sir Hercules Robinson, the new Governor of Ceylon, was still being instructed in his duties by the local press. As he had done nothing as yet but look about him and be civil to everybody, his popularity was very great. It bids fair, indeed, to rival that of the acting Governor whom he has left behind him at Hong Kong, Mr. Mercer. That gentleman had, according to the latest accounts, started a debating society, and opened the proceedings in a speech marked by even more than colonial comedy.

We are informed that all officers who may have left India on sick leave, whether they obtain any extension of their original leave or not, are now required, before being allowed to return to duty, to produce satisfactory medical evidence of their restoration to health. Officers residing in or near London are required to appear before the Indian Medical Board for this purpose. Officers wishing to be examined by the Board for the above-named or any other purpose, must apply to the India-office for the necessary permission.

The Upper Assam Tea Company having proved a success, it has been determined to increase the sphere of its operations, for which an eligible opportunity is offered by the purchase of some extensive gardens, at present belonging to the old Assam Company. This company, being desirous to concentrate and confine their operations to the southern division of Upper Assam, and thus centralise the management of their property, have agreed to dispose of their outlying estates in the neighbourhood of the Tingrie and Dehing Rivers, forming their northern and eastern division, and consisting of the following gardens—the Tingrie Mookh, Hoogie Jaun, Kehung, Naholia, Cato, Tippum, Hookan Joorie, Towrock, comprising some of the fine old indigenous gardens, which only require opening out to ensure their profitable extension. At present the area under culti-

TEA-PLANTING IN OUDH AND ASSAM.—Mr. Patterson Saunders, sen., writes as follows to the *Englishman*:—"I send you a copy of a letter from Mr. W. Minto, published in the *Pioneer*, on tea-planting in Kumaon, in which he also touches on the question of tea-planting in Oudh and Assam. Appended to this letter is a very good reply of an Oudh planter. Mr. Minto asserts that the land in the north of Oudh is different to the tea soil of Assam, Cachar, Chittagong, or Arracan. Now, nothing is more remarkable than the similarity of the soils of these countries, not only to each other, but to the tea soil of China. It was the great similarity of the soil of the north of Oudh to that of Assam that induced me to forward to the Government samples for analysis. I now enclose you a table of analysis of the tea soils of China, Assam, Oudh, and Chittagong, which I will be obliged by your publishing, as the subject is of the highest importance. Then arises the question of climate. Mr. Minto is quite correct in stating that Assam has greatly the advantage of Oudh in point of moisture. Oudh has not the spring rains of Assam; and I believe that an acre of land in Assam will probably produce from eighty to one hundred pounds of tea more than an acre of land in Oudh. But in Oudh we have the great advantage of local labour, while the expense of sending coolies to Assam is very great. Again, the clearances of land in Oudh, from the absence of bamboo, and the forest being less dense than in Assam, is effected at one third the cost. I believe these advantages will compensate for the lesser production, and place Oudh fully on a par with Assam. My estimate of the production of tea in the hill stations, in Oudh, and Assam, is as two, three, and four. Thus, if the average of tea per acre in the hill countries be two hundred pounds per acre, in Oudh it will be three hundred, and in Assam four hundred. I have lived for one year in the jungles of the North of Oudh, and I never saw in any country a more rapid growth of vegetation, from the heavy rains and steamy atmosphere that prevail from June to October. During those months the number of flushes of tea leaf, and consequent large production of tea, must be great. The only danger apprehended to the tea-tree in Oudh was the prevalence of the hot winds; but this has proved to be fallacious, for the hot winds are not of long duration, and the tea-tree penetrates, with its long tap-root, the soil to such a depth, that it does not suffer from the dry heat, which is confined to the surface.

FAST JOURNALISM.—In the *Mofussile* of the 7th inst. appeared a paragraph relating to the supposed illness of the Hon. Mr. Massey, immediately on his arrival in Calcutta, which was extracted into this paper of the 11th inst., under the appropriate heading of "Rather Mysterious." The following still more extraordinary announcement, that the honourable gentleman was about to leave the country at once, appears in the *Lahore Chronicle* of the 12th inst.:—"Calcutta is determined to give the *coup de grace* to its reputation as a healthy city, and no home-bred statesman will, therefore, we feel persuaded, again venture to give the benefit of his councils to the Indian Government. The new Finance Minister, Mr. Massey, landed in Calcutta on Friday, the 30th ult., and was almost immediately struck with illness, which within a week of his arrival—that is, on Thursday, the 6th inst.—had become so serious as to cause apprehension, and by a letter dated the 8th inst. we are informed that the right hon. gentleman's immediate departure from the country is considered absolutely necessary." What wag has been at work?—*Hurkaru*.

TAKING THE GILT OFF DEWANGIRI.—The *Hurkaru* gives the following cynical account of the capture of Dewangiri: such a style of writing would make the battle of Waterloo look a mere brush with the enemy:—"It can-

not be that General Tombs will recommend, or Lieutenant Trevor accept, a Victoria Cross for anything that was performed at the taking of Dewangiri. It seems that whilst Lieuts. Beddy and Chatterton ran round and round the fort 'looking for the door,' Lieut. Trevor climbed up and into it, receiving a knock on the head from a stone in so doing. Three others immediately after joined him. These four, we read, were for some time in the fort alone. 'The Bhootas tried to charge, but were forced to flee.' The storm and capture of a stockade by a British officer is laughable enough in itself without adding to the joke by making mention of the Victoria Cross. No one, we feel assured, will resent the idea more than Lieutenant Trevor himself."

AMENITIES OF RAILWAY TRAVELLING.—The *Delhi Gazette* contains the following:—"The time has arrived when first-class carriages must be provided for natives; not that there is anything inherently objectionable in gentlemen and natives travelling together side by side, but there are inherent objections to ladies who may happen to be unprotected having to travel sometimes alone with natives or, worse, one native. A case occurred the other day. Mrs. Jones Wilkinson, or Mrs. Wilkinson Jones, we forget which, was travelling alone, with a native at one end of a first-class carriage, who amused himself by singing loudly the whole way. The purport of the song the lady could not understand, nor did she, after the first nervous glimpse at the ill-omened Nana-like visage of her "companion du voyage," look his way again. We should be glad to see a little liberality shown in the matter of separate accommodation for ladies travelling *sans cavalier servante*."

BANK OF BENGAL.—Statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bengal for the week ending April 18, 1865:—

LIABILITIES.			
Proprietors' capital, paid up	Rs. 2,20,00,000	0	0
Reserve fund	17,59,416	5	8
General treasury balance at head-office	Rs. 40,28,115	14	2
Do. at branches	67,51,429	8	8
	1,07,79,615	6	10
Other deposits at head-office and branches	2,23,89,959	1	3
Bank post bills, &c.	5,10,180	6	2
Bank notes outstanding	3,00,145	0	0
Sundries	9,53,865	12	2
Total	Rs. 5,87,23,812	0	1
ASSETS.			
Government securities, investment No. 1.	31,37,210	12	0
Loans on Government securities at head-office and branches	1,51,76,483	5	1
Accounts of credit on do.	18,39,978	13	17
Mercantile bills discounted at do.	83,03,213	0	5
Dead stock, do.	4,04,404	15	1
Stamps, do.	10,440	14	0
Balances with other banks	4,73,705	11	7
Sundries	7,46,114	9	11
Total	Rs. 5,00,91,551	11	6
Treasury reserve in coin at head-office	Nil.		
Cash and currency notes at head-office	Rs. 1,75,00,515	7	0
Cash and currency notes, including treasury balance at branches	1,09,31,714	13	7
	2,86,32,260	4	7
Total	Rs. 5,87,23,812	0	1

Exchange has again receded nearly 1 per cent., but after touching 2s. 0½d. for bank bills, at which there were many sellers, there has been a slight reaction, and the rate closes at 2s. 0¾d. First class credits are 2s. 0¾d. to 2s. 0 7-16d., and document bills 2s. 0 9-16d. to 2s. 0¾d.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, April 22, 1865.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price.
4 per Cent. Sa.	Sa. Rs. 90	Rs. 88 12 to 89 6
Do. Transfer Stock.	Sa. Rs. 91	89
4 per Cent. Co's	Co's Rs. 91	89 8 to 91 0
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co's Rs. 101	3 8 to 3 10 pm
5½ per Cent. Co's	Co's Rs. 102	102 8 to 102 14
6 per cent., 66-67.	Co's Rs. 109	101 8 to 101 12

EXCHANGE.

	On London.	Per Rupee.
Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight	2 0½
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight	2 0½
Bills with Docs.	at 6 months' sight	2 0½
Bank Post Bills	at 1 months' sight	2 0 to 2 0½

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paid-up. Rs. each.	Quoted at Rs.
Agara and Masterman's Bank	500	1400 to 1410
Alliance Tea Company	85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	200	635 to 637
Bahsun Tea Company	100	185 to 140
Bank of Bengal	1000	1750 to 1755
Do. Interest bearing	4000	7900 to 8240
Deerbhoom Coal Company	200	540 to 645
Do.	200	Nom. to 175
Bengal Coal Company	1000	1100 to 1125
Bengal Printing Company	100	15 to 10 dis.
Bengal River Company	1000	560 to 765
Do.	500	537 to 240
Bengal Tea Company	100	165
Do. new paid-up	100	130 to 160
Bengal Oil Company	250	par Nominal
Bengal Credit Mobilier (Lim.)	100	180 to 190 pm
Bishnauth Tea Company	200	253
Do. contributory	10	3 to 4 pm.
Bonded Warehouse Association	415	615 to 650
Borokai Tea Company (Limited)	25	par
British India Tea	80	par
Brunton's Press Company (Limited)	50	2 to 3 pm.
Burdwan Stone Company	100	75 to 80
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	185
Do. (Contributory)	115	15 to 16 dis.
Cachar Tea Company	600	700 to 710
Do.	450	50 to 55 pm.
Calcutta Docking Company	700	1350 to 1355
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	570 to 575
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	52	62
Central Assam Tea Company	100	101
Central Cachar Tea Company	200	255 to 260
Do. new shares	200	260 to 262
Chatlawhar Tea Company	25	5 to 10 dis.
Commercial Transport Association	100	par
Dehra Doon Tea Company	100	90 to 93
Delhi Bank Corporation	500	710
Joshi Teria Tea Company	100	95 to 97
Jooteriah Tea Company (Limited)	100	96 to 97
Durrang Tea Company	45	5 dis.
E. B. Indigo Company	100	75 to 80
East India Coal Company	100	30 to 32
East India Railway Company	218	217
East India Tea Company	100	116 to 120
Do. contributory	80	12 to 13 pm.
Eastern Bengal Tea Company	50	55 to 56
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	125 to 130
Do. contributory	85	20 to 22 pm.
Eastern Bengal Railway Company	218	216 to 218
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000	1220 to 1225
Eastmen and Company	250	220 to 225
Equitable Coal Company	250	215 Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	500	Nominal
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	250 to 255
Gola Ghaut Tea Company	250	308
Do. new shares	250	272 to 275
Grosser Cotton Mills	85	12 to 15 dis.
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	309
Houghly Steam Tug Company	1000	1200
Houghly Lighter Association	80	10 to 15 dis.
Hope Town Tea Association	100	165
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	165
Hosrah Docking Company	535	535
Hunger and Company	250	200 to 220
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	775 to 800
Jorhaut Tea Company	200	715 to 750
Kanchanpore Tea Company	100	250
Do. contributory	125	20 to 25 pm.
Kurseong and Doojelling Tea Co.	250	245 to 245
Do. contributory	125	3 to 5 dis.
Landing Shipping	100	90 to 25 dis.
Lebang and Murchow Tea Company	65	par to 5 pm.
Locty Cotton Screw Company	25	par
Lower Assam Tea Company	85	par
Luckimpore Tea Company	155	50 to 55 pm.
Momacherra Tea Company	60	par
Moran Tea Company (Limited)	70	14 to 14 pm.
Muttuck Tea Company	50	par
Mutual Tea Company	100	122
Do. contributory	70	16 to 18 pm.
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	820
New Fort Gloster Company	600	1400 to 1450
North-West Indigo Company	100	70 to 75
North-West Screw Company	80	par
Oriental Gas Company	41	124 to 13
Peoples Bank of India	100	75 to 80
Port Canning Land Company	1000	1000 to 1300
Punjab Bank	100	120 to 122
Punjab Trading	75	10 pm.
Puckabare Tea Company	100	100 dull
Do.	37	par Nominal
Ramghur Tea Company	100	par
Do.	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	142
R. Scott Thomson and Company	495	495
Screw Company (Limited)	200	185
Sea Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.
Seehaugor Tea Company	100	82
Simla Bank	640	650 to 655
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Soom Tea Company	80	12 to 15 pm.
Sooriapore Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1510
Do.	750	450 to 450 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100	78 to 80
Spence's Hotel Company	250	230
Strand Pressing Company (Limited)	624	9 to 10 pm.
Sillet and Cachar Tea Company	200	167 to 170
Tirhoot Indigo	200	200 to 202
Tuckar Tea Company	200	200 to 205
Do. contributory	70	par
Union Steam Tug Company	250	220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	100	180 to 182
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to 240
Do. contributory	190	16 to 16 dis.

larity. One lady, it is reported, wrote her intention of taking a *pate de faut pas*. We suppose she meant *fois gras*; but a gentleman of our acquaintance said, he could not possibly attend the pic-nic to meet 'a party' (pate) of the *faut pas* school. We may as well say, however, that the day was spent charmingly, and that neither the *pate* nor the 'party' made their appearance."

THE ALLEGED MISSION TO KOKHAN.—The *Friend of India* acknowledges its mistake in this matter. The Government of India, says that journal, will not permit the semi-official Kokhan Mission to proceed into Central Asia. The Kokhan envoy is very anxious that the English should see with their own eyes how far Russia has advanced, and the officers we named last week are no less eager. True, partial experience is against the step, ranging from the sublime in the case of Adolphe Schlagintweit to the ridiculous in that of Mr. Ashley Eden. But Lieutenant Colonel Pelly, our Resident at Bushire, made a journey similar to that which the Mission would have undertaken four years ago. And he has just returned in perfect safety from another even more hazardous, one of no less than eight hundred and fifty miles, to the most fanatical city in Arabia, Rigatt, the Wahabee capital, where he was "very courteously received" by the Ameer. There are, however, better means of obtaining information, in the present state of Central Asia, than by a Mission—through trustworthy native agents; and we trust the Governments of India and the Punjab will not longer remain in ignorance of political events which form the theme of discussion in every durbur from the Caucasus to Hyderabad. All the diplomatic arrangements made by England and India with independent powers in Asia need reviewing from the court of the Shah to that of Siam.

SHOCKING CUSTOM.—The following, among the many shocking customs in this country, is described by a correspondent of the *Bombay Gazette*:—"Live and learn" is indeed a truthful saying. I have travelled over a goodly portion of sunny India, and have, as a matter of course, been observant of the manners and customs of many of its aboriginal inhabitants. Still, it was not till the other day that I witnessed a scene which I never did before. It was, however, of a really shocking nature, the principals being a living woman and a dead man, of the Cammattee caste. The relation that had existed between the living and the dead was of a left-handed nature. They had lived together for many long years as man and wife, when, after suffering from a febrile attack for only four days, the man died. Agreeably to the peculiar custom of their caste—a custom which I never till now was aware of—it was imperative ere the corpse could be removed for interment—that the sacred rites of marriage should be performed. The sad intelligence was soon communicated to the neighbouring residents, and the loud and vehement hammering of tom-toms had the desired electric effect of collecting a host of friends and acquaintances, and a fluctuating stream of passers-by to the spot. A *gooroo*, or priest, being summoned, and the necessary preparations for the celebration of the nuptials being hurriedly completed, the ceremony commenced. The inanimate "form divine" was placed against the outer wall of the verandah of the house in a sitting posture, attired like a bridegroom, and the face and hands were besmeared with liquid turmeric. The woman also was clothed like a bride, and adorned with the usual tinsel ornament over the face, which, as well as the arms and the drapery, were daubed over with yellow. She sat opposite the dead, addressing it in light and unmeaning words; as is customarily done upon such occasions, and then chewing bits of dry cocoa-nut and squirting it on the face. And thus the ceremony proceeded and continued for three or four hours. At length, as the sun was nearing the horizon, the nuptial

ceremony was brought to a close, and the preparation for the interment commenced. The dead was divested of its bridal attire, then bathed, and finally laid upon a bier and covered with a cloth of silk. The face was next rubbed over with some red powder, and in the mouth were placed some betel leaves. The widowed bride then looked her last at the shrouded form of him who never more she would behold, when, amid agonising shrieks and deafening tom-tomming; the bier was lifted up, and the funeral cortege proceeded in the direction of Sion. One man—a near relative of the deceased, I presume—preceded the corpse, throwing, at intervals, a handful of *pies* to the right and left, which were eagerly picked up by a troop of little urchins.

NEW JUDGES FOR BOMBAY.—The *Hurkaru* is informed that the Chief Justice of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay has submitted to the Governor-General in Council, through the local government, a proposition to appoint four additional judges as a temporary measure—two in the original, and as many in the appellate jurisdiction, to work off the arrears which have accumulated on the file of that court. If reports are to be believed, some 500 civil, and nearly 150 criminal cases are in arrears. The local authorities are said to have observed that although the number of cases decided by the High Court at Bombay is greater than that at Calcutta, yet the number of judges in the former is comparatively less than in the latter. Under the circumstances stated, the Government of India has sanctioned the proposition, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State, to whom copies of the correspondence on the subject have been submitted for information and orders.

CHINA.

The *China Herald* of April 15 publishes the following summary:—

"In China the efforts of the Imperialists to complete the subjugation of the rebels still attract attention. The latter are enclosed in a district round about the prefectural city of Changchow. Imperial forces are north-west and south of them; the coast is being guarded by Custom-house steamers. The latest news reports a rebel victory, with a loss to the Imperialists of a thousand men; but a previous encounter had a different issue, the rebels losing two thousand men. The latter cannot afford repeated losses, as no reinforcements are now obtainable, while, on the other hand, the Imperialists are sending on fresh troops every day.

"A steamer called the *Pootung* has been taken by the Chinese authorities, and will probably be confiscated, her offence being that of furnishing firearms to the rebels. The port at which such cargoes are landed is Tongsang, and one or two vessels have cleared themselves by these smuggling ventures, which are rather in favour at present among that class of ship captains who would rather smuggle than not. The *Pootung* left this port on the 19th ultimo, with a cargo of sundries for Fuhchau, and was taken in the port of Amoy on the 25th on the charge of supplying the rebels. If we are rightly informed, the trade is rather better than blockade running; and if the *Pootung* has made a few successful ventures the owners may afford to let her go.

"We must expect the suppression of the rebellion to linger in the hands of the Imperialists; but there is no reasonable doubt of the Taeping cause being extinguished in the course of a few months. The visit which her Majesty's Consul at Amoy lately paid to the insurgent chief at Changchow was supposed at the time to indicate a renewal of the policy pursued some years ago, when Sir Harry Parkes visited Nanking, and intimated that the non-interference of Great Britain might be

secured by the rebels keeping at a convenient distance from the treaty ports. It was even supposed that the more decided policy of giving them the same treatment as the Imperialists (so long as no act of hostility was ventured upon towards foreigners) had been resolved upon. The real cause of Mr. Consul Pedder's visit now turns out to have been the sending of letters to Amoy by the rebels, one of which, by an identity of official title, had the appearance of being addressed to himself; this was not the case, but to prevent mistake, and to save from punishment the bearers of any such missives to foreigners, the Consul visited Changchow in a gunboat, and stated plainly that no attention whatever would be paid by the representatives of her Majesty's Government to communications addressed to them from that quarter. Late advices say that the rebels are within six miles of Amoy.

"With regard to Japan, it is evident that our relations with that country—such as they are—cannot be safely left to take care of themselves. The fleet now stationed in Japanese waters is not likely to be soon withdrawn; and it may be remarked that this fact does not indicate a satisfactory state of affairs, nor one which would have been accepted as a possible contingency six years ago, when the treaty with Japan was signed. It is generally understood that a naval and military force is to be permanently maintained in this part of the East, with Hong Kong and Japan as suitable stations. The presence of a powerful force in these waters, though conveying a sense of general security in different emergencies, cannot be referred to as a satisfactory sign of the times. Treaties that require expensive appliances to keep them in working order are of doubtful value; and we fear that, in the case of Japan, even our strong armaments will not eventually bring about that goodwill among the troublesome classes in Japan, who also happen to be the most powerful."

CEYLON.

The following is from the summary of the *Colombo Observer*, May 1st:—

The weather has been more or less monsoonish since the departure of last mail; but, wet or dry, the shipment of coffee seems to proceed unceasingly, and every day as we enter the fort our course is intercepted by carts laden with casks inscribed "Bluefields," "Monneragalla," &c., and bearing such mysterious figures as—

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net, or, for freight purposes, half a ton of coffee.

In our last we recorded the departure of five ships which took away nearly 65,000 cwts. of coffee. On this occasion seven ships are reported as having sailed, but the quantity of coffee thus added to our total exports is only 53,000. The proportions have been 43,000 plantation (exactly the same as on the last occasion) but only 10,000 native. The result is that the deficiency in plantation is now reduced from 35,000 to 27,000 cwts., while the excess in native is raised from 54,000 to 60,000. Finally we are 32,000 cwts. in advance of the exports of last year, and we have little doubt that this excess will go on increasing to the end of the season

It will be observed that now the merest fraction of our produce is diverted from England. Less than 10,000 cwts. has gone to France; a little more than 10,000 to Australia, in the 7 months; and the rest of the half million has gone to England. There are no protective regulations to lead to this result; but let those who talk so glibly of giving up the colonies just consider whether all the business connected with our coffee trade would continue to centre in England did Ceylon cease to be an English colony.



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BENGAL.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR, N.W.P.

March 29.—No. 55.—Dr. S. Clark, insp. gen. of prisons, N.W.P., is invested with the powers of a mag., as described in sec. 22 of Act XXV. of 1861, to be exercised within the precincts of the jails under his inspection.

March 27.—No. 27.—Eight weeks' leave of abs. under the orders of the Govt. of India, dated Jan. 14, 1859, is granted to Major G. Swiney, dist. supnt. of police at Allahabad, to enable him to proceed to Calcutta, prep. to Europe on m.c., with effect from April 1.

No. 28.—Lieut. R. B. Graham, dist. supnt. of police at Etawah, is appd. to offic. as dist. supnt. of police at Allahabad, during leave of Major Swiney.

No. 29.—Lieut. P. C. Dalmahoy, dist. supnt. of police in Jaloun, who has reported his return from Europe, will offic. as dist. supnt. of police at Etawah, v. Lieut. Graham, transf. to Allahabad.

March 29.—No. 1,961.—With reference to G.O. No. 1,434, dated 11th inst., Major Sir E. Leeds, Bart., offic. exec. engr., made over charge of the 3rd div. Grand Trunk Road to Mr. J. McDonald on 17th inst.

March 30.—No. 2,000.—Capt. H. E. Whish, exec. engr., Benares div. public works, has leave for 3 mo., from 1st prox., or from such subsequent date as he may avail himself of the same.

No. 2,001.—Mr. J. Sheldon, asst. engr., 2nd class, 3rd div. Grand Trunk Road, to the charge of the Benares div. public works, during absence of Capt. Whish.

April 5.—No. 348a.—Lieut. A. S. Thain, district superint. of police at Lullutpore, has 3 mo. priv. leave, with effect from 1st ult.

No. 349a.—Mr. C. C. Hicks, extra asst. comr., Lullutpore, is app. to offic. as district superint. of police at that station, in add. to his other duties, during leave of Lieut. Thain.

April 7.—No. 357a.—Mr. A. Bates, asst. district superint. of police at Allahabad, is suspended from his appt., with effect from date on which he was relieved of his duties by order of the Insp. gen. of police.

April 1.—No. 1,074a.—The civil and sessions judge of Mynpoorie is app. to be a member of the Divisional Examination Committee, which will assemble on the 5th inst. at Agra for the yearly examination of assistants and such other officers of the Government as are required to present themselves, v. the civil and sessions judge of Agra.

April 5.—No. 1,091a.—The notification in this dept., No. 301a, dated Jan. 31 last, by which 39 days' prep. leave was granted to Major E. Smyth, inspector of schools, Kumaon and Gurhwal, is hereby can.

April 7.—No. 1,100a.—Mr. E. Macnaghten, judge of the Small Cause Court at Allahabad, is app. deputy registrar gen. of assurances, N.W.P., as a temp. arrangement.

April 3.—No. 2,075.—With reference to G.O. No. 86, dated 10th ult., Mr. W. W. Culcheth, asst. engr., 1st grade, received temp. charge of the Futehgurh Branch Ganges Canal from Mr. J. L. Parker on 10th idem.

No. 2,082.—Mr. W. Thatcher, asst. engr., 2nd grade, Cawnpore div. Ganges Canal, reported his return, on March 15, from the leave granted to him in notification No. 1,495, dated 10th idem.

April 4.—No. 2,125.—Maj. A. W. Owen, exec. engr., 4th grade, made over charge of the Bundelcund Road div. to Mr. W. Parker on March 21.

The above transfers will have effect from 15th ult. No. 2,152.—With reference to G.O. No. 1,434, dated 11th ult., Major Sir E. Leeds, Bart., exec. engr., 2nd grade, received charge of the Agra div. public works from Capt. C. T. Stewart on 23rd ult.

Capt. C. T. Stewart, exec. engr., 1st grade, reported his departure from Agra on 26th ult., and took charge of the office of the supng. engr., 2nd circle, N.W.P., from Capt. F. W. Peile on 27th idem.

No. 2,177.—Priv. leave for 3 mo. is granted to Mr. T. E. Owen, asst. engr., 1st grade, attached to the Allahabad div. public works, from 15th inst., or from such date as he may avail himself of it.

April 8.—No. 2,211.—With reference to G.O. No. 123, dated March 30 last, Major H. A. Brownlow, R.E., joined his appt. as supng. engr., 2nd circle, irrigation works, N.W.P., on March 24.

No. 2,212.—Mr. T. Knight is appd. a civil div. engr. of the 2nd grade, and posted to the Bareilly district.

No. 2,214.—The transfer of Capt. F. G. S. Parker, asst. engr., Roorkee and Dehra Road, to Hyderabad, is cancelled, vide G.O. Nos. 100 and 122, dated respectively 22nd and 20th ult.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR PUNJAB.

April 4.—No. 751.—Mr. J. D. Tremlett, asst. comsnr., officiated as dep. comsnr. of Jullunder from 1st to 30th Sept. last, and also from 7th to 23rd March, 1865.

No. 752.—Rev. W. G. Cowie, B.A., has priv. leave for 5 mo. from May 1, with a view to his proceeding to Cashmere as resident clergyman during the ensuing season.

No. 753.—Mr. J. Naesmyth, offic. comsnr., Hissar division, officiated also as comsnr., Delhi division, during the absence of Col. G. W. Hamilton on priv. leave.

No. 756.—Major W. Paske, Bengal staff corps, is reappointed an asst. comsnr. 3rd class in the Punjab, and posted to the Simla district. Major Paske is to offic. as judge of the Simla Small Cause Court till the return of Mr. Scarlett from leave.

April 5.—No. 494.—Capt. G. F. J. Lewin, offic. dep. comsnr., Umritsur, is vested with powers described in sec. 1 of Act 15 of 1862.

No. 498.—Mr. J. E. Rowe, offic. extra asst. comsnr., Lahore, is vested with powers of a subord. mag. 1st class.

April 6.—No. 518.—The Hon. the Lieut. gov. is pleased to vest Mr. G. R. Elsmie, offic. dep. comr. Jullunder, with the powers described in section 1 of Act XV. of 1862.

April 7.—No. 527.—Appt.—Mr. W. Coldstream, asst. comr., to offic. as judge of the Small Cause Court, at Delhi, from the date on which Mr. H. E. Perkins may avail himself of his furl. to Eur.

This cancels Punjab Gazette order No. 584, dated March 7, transferring Mr. Coldstream to the Dera Ismail Khan dist.

No. 535.—The Hon. the Lieut. Gov. is pleased to appt. all cantonment mags. in the Punjab to be registrars of deeds within the limits of their respective cantonments.

April 5.—No. 508.—Transf.—Mr. R. S. Bruere, asst. dist. superint. of police, from Sealkote to Rawul Pindee.

April 6.—Proms.—Mr. C. Aldridge, asst. dist. superint. of police, 2nd class, 3rd grade, to be an asst. dist. superint., 2nd class, 2nd grade, v. Mr. Green, who has left the dept.

No. 515.—Mr. W. Ward, asst. dist. superint. of police, 2nd class, 4th grade, to be an asst. dist. superint. 2nd class, 3rd grade, v. Mr. Aldridge, prom.

No. 516.—Mr. W. Haslett, asst. dist. superint. of police, 2nd class, 5th grade, to be an asst. dist., superint. 2nd class, 4th grade, v. Mr. Ward, prom.

No. 517.—Mr. S. C. Holbrow, offic. asst. dist. supnt. of police, to be an asst. dist. supnt. of police 2nd class, 5th grade, v. Mr. W. Haslett, prom.

April 7.—No. 536.—Mr. P. M. Woodcock is appd. to offic. as an asst. dist. supnt. of police, v. Mr. E. Charley, appd. to offic. as dist. supnt. in room of Capt. W. W. Boddam, proceeded on m.c.

Mr. Woodcock is posted, on special duty, to the Lahore district.

No. 100.—Mr. H. Percival to be mate of the steamer *Napier*, from Feb. 28, v. Mr. W. R. White, resigned.

No. 798.—Mr. H. E. Perkins, asst. comr. Delhi, has leave for 17 days, from the date of his availing himself thereof, prep. to furl. to Europe.

THE "PUNJAB GOVERNMENT GAZETTE."

No. 800.—It is hereby notified for general information that after the close of the current month the Punjab Government Gazette will be published only once a week, instead of, as at present, twice a week; and that the publishing day will be Thursday.

Public officers who are allowed to use the Gazette for the publication of their official notifications are accordingly requested to send them to the press not later than the preceding Wednesday.

No. 81.—The Kohat station order, dated Feb. 4, appg. Park Serg. Healy to act as laboratory man to the garrison company of arty., during the practice, with effect from Jan. 30, is confirmed.

April 1.—No. 7,505.—The station of Jhelum has ceased to be a dependency of the Rawul Pindee div.,

and is attached to the 2nd div. Lahore and Peshawur Road.

No. 7,519.—With reference to Govt. of India notification, No. 291, dated March 20, 1865, Capt. C. Batchelor, late 3rd Eur. L.C., is app. a dep. conservator of forests, and posted to the Sutlej forest division.

No. 7,520.—Mr. R. G. Elwes, asst. engineer, officiated as exec. engr., Bridges and Branch Roads division, from Feb. 24.

No. 7,521.—Mr. T. Lett, clerk 10th grade, office of exec. engr., Huzara division, is promoted to be clerk 9th grade.

April 6.—No. 7,694.—Mr. R. F. Chalmers is app. an accountant 4th grade on probation, and posted to the office of controller of public works accounts, with effect from March 22.

April 8.—No. 104.—The Hon. the Lieut. gov. is pleased to permit Mr. J. Wise, 2nd cl. engr., Junjab flotilla, to res. his appt.

April 11.—No. 107.—Prom.—Mr. Ladner, 3rd class engr., Junjab flotilla, is prom. to the 2nd class, v. Mr. Wise, res.

EXAMINATION TESTS.

April 10.—No. 560.—With reference to G. O. No. 734, published in the Punjab Gazette of Sept. 24, it is hereby notified that the P. H. test no longer forms part of the police examination, but that the second standard of examination in Hindustani, as laid down in rule VI. of the said G.O., will in future take the place of the present 9th and 5th tests of the higher and lower standards respectively, of the police examination.

April 11.—No. 577.—Punjab Gazette order No. 30, dated Jan. 9, transfg. Mr. P. White, asst. dist. superint. of police, from Mozuffergurh to Shahpore, is can.

April 8.—No. 7,775.—with reference to Govt. of India's notification No. 124, dated Fort William, March 30, Lieut. W. Shepherd, R.E., asst. engr. 2nd grade, is posted to the Upper Sirhind div.

No. 7,776.—Transf.—Lieut. F. P. Spragge, R.E., asst. engr. 2nd grade, from the Upper Sirhind to the Rawul Pindee div.

No. 7,776.—Mr. C. Fraser, supervisor 2nd grade, 3rd div. Lahore and Peshawur Road, is perm. to res. his appt. in the public works dept., subject to approval of Govt. of India.

April 10.—No. 7,807.—Leave.—Lieut. B. Lovett, R.E., asst. engr. Kohat div., is allowed 3 mo. priv. leave, from April 15, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it.

April 12.—No. 851.—The leave to Capt. W. M. Lane, offic. dep. comsnr. of Jhung, in Punjab Gazette order No. 713, dated March 29, is extended from ten to twelve days.

April 13.—No. 856.—Lieut. R. G. Sandeman, asst. comsnr., is transferred from the Huzara to the Bunnoo district, to be placed in charge of Meean-wallee.

No. 86.—Punjab order No. 76 of March 28, placing services of Asst. surg. R. Lidderdale, 2nd Sikh inf., at disposal of the Lord Bishop of Calcutta, is cancelled.

No. 87.—Asst. surg. R. Lidderdale, 2nd Sikh inf., has leave from April 23 to June 29, to Bombay, prep. to furlough to Europe, m.c.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Head Quarters, Calcutta, March 16.—The C. in C. in India accepts the retirement from the service, by the sale of his commission, of Cornet A. M. Smith, 18th hussars, subject to approval by her Majesty; dated March 16.

The following transfers and postings of medical officers are directed:—

Surg. major G. Saunders, from R.A. div. at Allahabad, to be offic. garrison surg. of Fort William, v. Surg. major O'Callaghan.

Surg. T. Maxwell, M.D., from 25th brig. R.A., to 14th N.I., v. Asst. surg. R. W. Cunningham, M.D.

Surg. G. R. Pemberton, M.D., from art. div. to 37th N.I., at Agra, v. Asst. surg. A. P. Holmes, M.D.

Surg. C. Lowdell, from art. div. to 20th N.I., at Rawul Pindee, v. Asst. surg. R. T. Lyons.

Surg. A. L. S. Campbell, from 20th bussars, to 7th Bengal cav., at Lucknow.

Surg. W. White, M.D., F.R.C.S., from 16th brig. R.A., to 1st N.I., at Lullutpore, v. Asst. surg. E. A. FitzGerald.

Capt. H. P. Pearson, 2nd batt. 12th foot, is app. to offic. as major of brigade at Delhi, and directed to join.

Lieut. A. G. Owen, staff corps, is permitted to resign his appointment of 2nd in com. and squadron officer of 16th Bengal cav., in view to his nomination

tion in the same capacity to the Deolee irregular force.

Surg. Z. Holland, ordnance dept., is remanded to regimental duty at his own request, and will be sent to join the local battery of art. at Lucknow.

ERRATUM.—In G.O. of 15th inst., granting prep. leave to Bombay to Major C. H. Byers, Bengal staff corps, 2nd in command and wing officer 3rd N.I., is hereby cancelled.

H.R.H. the Field Marshal Commanding in Chief has been pleased to grant leave of absence to the undermentioned officer:—

80th Foot.—Col. S. T. Christie, C.B., from Dec. 29, 1864, to June 29, 1865, in ext., to remain in England.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Artillery.—Lieut. col. E. K. Money (comdg. 24th brig.), from May 1 to Oct. 31, to Calcutta and Neilgherries; Capt. A. H. Lindsay (G batty. 19th brig.), to England, for 15 mo.

2nd Drag. Guards.—Lieut. E. Vandeleur, from date of embarkation to England, for 15 mo.

19th Hussars.—Major R. Richardson, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Cashmere and Nynee Tal.

7th Foot.—Paymr. J. M. Scott (1st batt.), from March 20 to date of embarkation, in ext., prep. to embarking for England.

23rd Foot.—Col. H. D'O. Torrens (1st batt.), from Aug. 1, 1865, to Jan. 31, 1866, in ext., to remain in England.

84th Foot.—Capt. I. F. Kennedy, from date of embarkation, to England, via either route, on m.c.

88th Foot.—Capt. H. P. Hurlford, from March 1 to April 24, in ext., to remain at Nynee Tal, on m.c.

82nd Foot.—Lieut. W. C. Seton, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Cashmere; Lieut. C. S. Maunsell, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Simla.

94th Foot.—Lieut. P. Richards, from Feb. 25 to April 25, to remain in Calcutta, on m.c.

97th Foot.—Lieut. R. W. Barbor, to England, via the Cape of Good Hope, on m.c., doing duty with troops en route.

107th Foot.—Lieut. J. R. E. J. Royle, from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape of Good Hope, on m.c.

Bengal Inf.—Col. E. Darvall (doing duty at Umballah), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Simla.

Late 3rd Eur. Regt.—Capt. H. A. Prinsep (doing gen. duty at Agra), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Mussoorie and Hills north of Deyrah.

Late 4th Eur. Regt.—Capt. W. P. Fisher (doing duty at Mooltan), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Dalhousie.

Late 58th N.I.—Major F. J. Ellis (doing duty at Ferozepore), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Cashmere.

Late 73rd N.I.—Capt. F. R. N. Fortescue, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Simla.

Gen. List, Inf.—Lieut. E. R. Ives, B.A., from Oct. 15, 1863, to Oct. 31, 1863, in ext., on m.c.; Lieut. H. Grimes, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Calcutta.

Medical Dept.—Asst. surg. L. H. J. Maclean, from March 7 to March 25, to remain in Calcutta, prep. to furl. to Europe.

March 20.—Appointments:—

Capt. A. B. Morgan, 1st batt. 19th foot, to offic. as brig. major at Umballah, v. Marsh.

Major J. Morland, late 1st Eur. Bengal fus., and garrison qmr., Fort William, to offic. as brig. major at Agra, v. Francis.

Lieut. C. E. Bates, staff corps, to offic. as brigade major to the Eastern Frontier brig., v. Lightfoot.

Under instructions from the Horse Guards, Brev. major G. D. D. Cleveland, 98th foot, will proceed to England, at the public expense, and join the depot companies of his regt.

The undermentioned officers are appointed to do duty as specified:—

Major S. B. Cookson, staff corps, to do gen. duty at Meerut.

Capt. G. D. Craufurd, late 18th N.I., to do duty with Nynee Tal convalescent depot.

Capt. F. R. N. Fortescue, late 73rd N.I., to do gen. duty at Umballah.

Capt. E. B. Clay, staff corps, to do duty with 21st N.I.

Lieut. J. Smith, vet. estab., in charge of engineer park with sappers and miners, is, at his own request, permitted to resign his appointment, and to do gen. duty at Meerut.

Capt. H. L. C. Bernard, staff corps, is directed to proceed to Bhootan and report himself for duty to the gen. officer comdg. left brigade Doar field force.

Asst. surg. W. Ironside, M.D., G batty. 19th brig. R.A., is app. to med. charge of a detachment of invalids and time-expired men proceeding to England, via Kurrachee, on the ship *Donald Mackay*.

Asst. surg. F. Ffolliott, R.A., will proceed and join the A batty. F brig. R.H.A., at Umballah, without delay.

Staff Asst. surg. A. E. T. Longhurst, M.D., will take med. charge of the convalescent depot at Murree, v. Asst. surg. J. H. Robotham, 7th drag. gds., whose period of service with the depot has expired.

Asst. surg. Robotham, 7th drag. gds., on being relieved, will proceed to Cawnpore and assume med. charge of the squadron of his regt. at that station.

Staff Asst. surg. A. F. Preston, M.D., on being relieved at Cawnpore by Asst. surg. Rowbotham, will proceed to Benares and do duty with the head quarters 7th drag. gds.

The undermentioned medical officers are appointed to do duty as second asst. surgeons, during the hot season, at the convalescent depots noted opposite their respective names:—

Asst. surg. F. E. McFarland, D batty. C brig. R.H.A., at Landour.

Asst. surg. S. E. Maunsell, 97th foot, at Nynee Tal.

Asst. surg. A. W. Beveridge, M.D., R.A., will assume med. charge of 22nd brig. R.A., at Morar, v. Surg. major Homan, reported sick.

Staff Asst. surg. E. J. Hatchell will take med. charge of invalids proceeding from Benares and stations above it to Kussowlie, where he will be attached as 2nd asst. surg. to convalescent depot.

The order issued by Brigdr. gen. W. E. Mulcaster, comdg. Doar field force, dated Dec. 23 last, app. Capt. G. N. Kelsall, R.E., Madras, to act as field engr., with effect from Oct. 8 last, and Lieut. H. W. Garnault, R.E., as asst. field engr., with effect from Oct. 14 last, is, with the sanction of Govt., confirmed.

The following Roorkee station orders are confirmed:—

Dated 9th ult.—Appointing Major H. E. Read, late 50th N.I., station staff, until further orders, v. Lieut. and Adj. J. M. Lovekin, 20th foot, proceeded with his regt.

Dated 10th idem.—Appointing Major H. E. Read, late 50th N.I., station interp., with effect from Jan. 23 last, there being no other qualified officer available, v. Major J. O. Brien, app. brigade major at Gwalior.

The following Lahore division orders are confirmed:—

Dated Dec. 19 last.—Directing the following med. arrangements:—

Staff Asst. surg. P. Quinlan, doing duty with a detachment of invalids at Mooltan, to relieve Asst. surg. T. Parr from med. charge of the drafts of recruits proceeding under his charge to Lahore.

Asst. surg. J. Ffolliott, 51st foot, to assume med. charge of the above party on its arrival at Mooltan, and thence proceed to Kurrachee.

Asst. surg. W. Ironside, M.D., G batty. 19th brig. R.A., to return to Meeran Meer from Mooltan.

Dated Jan. last.—Directing Staff Asst. surg. G. R. Woolhouse to proceed to Mooltan and report himself for duty with a detachment of invalids proceeding to Kurrachee.

Dated 23rd idem.—Directing the following medical arrangements:—

Asst. surg. W. Creagh, F batty. F brig. R.H.A., to do duty with the detachment of recruits arrived under command of Capt. G. J. Teevan, 94th foot, as far as Peshawur, and thence to rejoin his batty.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the Officer commanding 81st foot, dated Nov. 21 last, appointing Lieut. H. Maturin to act as asst. instructor of musketry, v. Lieut. A. G. Gardner, resigned.

Deyrah Dhoon station order, dated Nov. 21 last, directing Civil Asst. surg. H. C. Cutcliffe, R.N.C.S., to afford med. aid to the detachment 28th N.I.

By the Officer commanding 7th hussars, dated Jan. 18 last, appointing Cornet E. D. Fisher asst. instructor of musketry.

Seetapore station order, dated Feb. 9, appointing Lieut. R. G. Birch, station staff, to act as station interp. in addition to his other duties, with effect from 6th idem.

Leave of absence:—

Bombay Staff Corps.—Lieut. O. Barnes (2nd squadron officer 10th B. cav.), from March 21 to April 7, in ext., to remain in Calcutta, prep. to embarkation.

Staff Corps.—Lieut. E. S. Fox (W.O. and offic. 2nd in com. and wing officer 37th N.I.), from May 15 to date of embarkation, to Calcutta, prep. to furl. to Europe.

Royal Horse Artillery.—Lieut. col. G. V. Johnson (A brig.), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Simla and Hills north of Deyrah; Capt. G. F. Blair (C

batt'y. D brig.), from date of embarkation at Bombay, to England, on m.c.

Royal Artillery.—Major P. W. L'Estrange (com. B batty. 11th brig.), from March 6 to Sept. 6, to Mussoorie and Hills north of Deyrah, on m.c.; Capt. S. A. Bazalgette (adj. 16th brig.), from April 1 to Oct. 1, to Almorah, on m.c.; Lieut. C. C. Saxton (D batty. 23rd brig.), from April 16, 1864, to July 19, 1864, to Pooree and Calcutta, on m.c.; Asst. surg. J. B. Jardine (18th brig.), from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape of Good Hope, on m.c.

7th Drag. Guards.—Lieut. D. Scotland (adj.), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Simla.

5th Lancers.—Cornet H. P. Andrew, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Simla and Hills north of Deyrah.

19th Hussars.—Staff Asst. surg. G. R. Woolhouse, from date of embarkation at Bombay, to England, by the overland route, on m.c.

18th Foot.—Lieut. E. C. Prichard (1st batt.), from date of embarkation, to England, on m.c.

23rd Foot.—Ensign J. C. Bradshaw (1st batt.), from April 10 to Oct. 9, to Mussoorie and Hills north of Deyrah.

44th Foot.—Lieut. A. T. Trimmer (adj.), from date of embarkation, to England, for 15 mo.

93rd Foot.—Major R. S. Williams, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Cashmere; Surg. major W. Munro, M.D., from May 1 to Oct. 31, to Dalhousie.

94th Foot.—Asst. surg. J. G. Leask, M.B., from March 12 to April 11, to Calcutta, on m.c.

Bengal Inf.—Col. C. Pattenson (doing duty at Delhi), from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Mussoorie.

Late 64th N.I.—Capt. R. D. Griffin, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Mussoorie and Hills north of Deyrah.

Late 73rd N.I.—Capt. C. D. S. Clarke, doing duty Landour convalescent depot, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Landour and Hills north of Deyrah.

Inf. Gen. List.—Lieut. A. Harrison, doing gen. duty at Rawul Pindee, from Jan. 1 to June 30, to Calcutta, for the purpose of studying the native languages.

BARRACK MASTERS.

It is hereby notified for information that the Government have been pleased to sanction the grant to barrack masters, not being warrant officers, and to barrack sergeants, of the allowance laid down for commissioned officers who may pass the first or second standard in the native languages.

The C. in C. is pleased to make the following appointments:—

2nd Bengal Cav.—Maj. W. R. E. Alexander, 2nd in com. and squadron officer, 1st Bengal cav., to offic. as comdt., v. Snow, transf., at his own request, to 7th Bengal cav.; March 22, 1865.

3rd Bengal Cav.—Capt. A. R. D. Mackenzie, doing duty, to be 2nd squadron officer, v. Wise, prom. in the 18th Bengal cav.; March 22, 1865.

7th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. col. T. R. Snow, offic. comdt., 2nd Bengal cav., to offic. as comdt., v. Wilson, proc. on leave; March 22, 1865.

13th Bengal Cav.—Lieut. C. R. Pennington, adjt., to be 2nd squadron officer, v. MacGregor, who resigns the appt.; March 22, 1865.

Lieut. E. Wells, 3rd squadron officer, to be adjt., v. Pennington; March 22, 1865.

Lieut. H. E. Ryves, doing duty officer, to be 3rd squadron officer, v. Wells; March 22, 1865.

17th Bengal Cav.—Capt. T. J. Watson, 2nd squadron officer, to be 2nd in com. and squadron officer, v. Best, who has res. the appt.; March 22, 1865.

Lieut. G. H. W. Hoggan, adjt., to be 2nd squadron officer, v. Watson; March 22, 1865.

Lieut. T. B. M. Glascock, 3rd squadron officer, to be adjt., v. Hoggan; March 22, 1865.

Lieut. E. G. Newnham, doing duty officer, to be 3rd squadron officer, v. Glascock; March 22, 1865.

18th Bengal Cav.—Capt. D. W. Wise, to be 2nd in com. and squadron officer, v. Bachelor, placed at disposal of public works dept.; March 22, 1865.

3rd N.I.—Major G. A. St. P. Fooks, staff corps, to offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Byers, proc. on m.c. to England; March 22, 1865.

4th N.I.—Ens. D. H. Thompson, 54th foot, a candidate for the staff corps, is, with the sanction of Government, app. offic. doing duty officer; March 22, 1865.

19th N.I.—Lieut. C. H. Bergman, qmr., to offic. as adjt., v. Copland, app. offic. wing officer to 31st N.I.; March 22, 1865.

Lieut. J. E. Waller, doing duty officer, to offic. as qmr., v. Bergman; March 22, 1865.

24th N.I.—Major T. C. Darnell, staff corps, to be 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Palmer, who has res. the appt.; March 22, 1865.

29th N.I.—Lieut. E. Beddy is confirmed as wing officer, v. Hennessy, who has vacated; March 22, 1865.

Lieut. F. W. Chatterton is confirmed as adjt., v. Beddy; March 22, 1865.

31st N.I.—Lieut. R. S. Robertson, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer, during the absence of Major Lees; March 22, 1865.

Lieut. A. Copland, adjt., 19th N.I., to be offic. wing officer, v. Robertson, offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer; March 22, 1865.

37th N.I.—Capt. D. S. Buist, wing officer, 44th N.I., to be 2nd in com. and wing officer, v. Sage, who has vacated; March 22, 1865.

38th N.I.—Lieut. G. A. Way, staff corps, to be offic. adjt., during the absence on leave of Douglas; March 22, 1865.

44th N.I.—Lieut. E. Lightfoot, adjt., to be wing officer, v. Buist; March 22, 1865.

Lieut. E. H. Williams, doing duty officer, 39th N.I., to be adjt., v. Lightfoot; March 22, 1865.

2nd Goorkha Regt.—Lieut. A. Battye, adjt., to be wing officer, v. Cunliffe, removed; March 22, 1865.

Lieut. H. P. P. Nash, qrmr., to be adjt. v. Battye; March 22, 1865.

Lieut. H. W. J. Senior, doing duty officer, to be qrmr., v. Nash; March 22, 1865.

Murree Convalescent Depot.—Brev. lieut. col. J. C. Macleod, 42nd royal highlanders, to be comdt., v. Chippendall; March 22, 1865.

Nynce Tal Convalescent Depot.—Brev. maj. E. Grantham, 98th foot, to be comdt., v. Macleod, transf. to the Murree depot, at his own request.

Leave of Absence :—

Staff Corps.—Maj. G. N. Cave, comdt. 24th N.I., from April 15 to May 15, to Calcutta, m.c.; Maj. H. M. Garston, comdt. 42nd N.I., for 3 mo., to presidency, m.c.

Royal Horse Art.—Lieut. T. Ryan, A baty. F brig., from March 23 to April 23, to Calcutta, prep. to England.

Royal Art.—Capt. C. E. Newport, C baty. 18th brig., from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape of Good Hope, m.c.

7th Hussars.—Lieut. col. A. F. Steele, from Feb. 28 to March 2, in ext.

12th Foot.—Lieut. C. H. Gardner, 2nd batln., from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Nynce Tal.

34th Foot.—Capt. I. F. Kennedy, from March 8 to April 7, to Calcutta, m.c.

35th Foot.—Capt. W. W. Sherlock, interpreter, from Feb. 20 to April 20, in ext.

46th Foot.—Lieut. W. F. Spencer, A.D.C. to Maj. gen. Spencer, c.b., comdg. Mysore div., from March 27 to Sept. 26, to Bangalore, the Neilgherries, and Goa.

60th Foot.—Qrmr. R. Duncan, 3rd batln., from date of leaving regt., to Calcutta, for 1 mo. m.c.

79th Foot.—Capt. G. T. Scovell, from date of leaving regt., for 1 mo., to Calcutta, m.c.

90th Foot.—Lieut. J. F. Haig, adjt., from May 17 to June 16, to Bombay and thence to England for 15 mo., from date of embarkation.

93rd Foot.—Capt. J. Bond, from date of leaving regt., for 1 mo. to Bombay, m.c.

107th Foot.—Lieut. J. R. E. J. Royle, from March 8 to April 8, to Calcutta, m.c.

108th Foot.—Ena. L. Smith, from March 10 to June 10, to Mahableshwar, Hills for 3 mo., m.c.

Late 3rd E.L.C.—Capt. F. W. Russell, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Cashmere.

Bengal Inf.—Lieut. col. F. C. Maisey, dep. judge advocate gen. head qrs., from March 23 to April 19, to Calcutta, m.c.; Lieut. col. P. Drummond, comdt. 36th N.I., from April 1 to Oct. 15, to Nynce Tal and the Kumaon Hills, m.c.

Late 15th N.I.—Maj. H. C. Cuppage, doing duty at Rawul Pindee, from date of availing himself of it, to Cashmere for 6 mo., and Lieut. L. E. Evans, from March 21 to Nov. 15, in ext., m.c.

Late 66th N.I.—Lieut. col. C. C. G. Ross, 14th N.I., has leave m.c., to Sept. 20, to Nynce Tal.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Appointments :—

Asst. surg. H. King, m.b., zillah surg. of Mangalore, to be a lay trustee of the church of that station.

Mr. C. N. Pochin to act as civil and session judge of the zillah of Madura, during the absence on leave of Mr. R. R. Cotton.

Mr. P. L. Roberts to act as district registrar of Cuddapah, while acting as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Cuddapah.

Capt. H. Grant, master attendant at Calicut, to

be master attendant at Negapatam, v. Capt. Scott, dec.

Capt. F. Gilham, to be master attendant at Calicut, in succ. to Grant.

Capt. R. H. Beddom, deputy conservator of forests, to act as conservator, during the absence of Dr. Cleghorn on leave.

Lieut. J. D. S. Bennet, 5th Madras N.I., cantonment mag. of Rangoon, to be 2nd class deputy conservator, and to have charge of the Annamallay Forest, v. Major Michael, res.; to join without delay on being relieved.

Dr. H. Cleghorn, M.D., conservator of forests, has leave for 6 mo. to Europe, under sec. 9 of furlough regulation of 1854.

The Hon. R. S. Ellis, c.b., president sanitary commission, Madras, has leave for 6 mo., to Europe.

Lieut. C. J. Smith, royal engineers, asst. engr. 1st cl., is transferred from Tanjore to Kistna district.

Capt. J. O. Hasted, royal engrs., act. exec. engr. 3rd cl., from Kistna to Tanjore district.

No. 142.—Appointment and promotion, the latter subject to her Majesty's approval :—

Capt. J. L. Benwell, staff corps, to have charge of family payments and pensions at Trichinopoly, v. Capt. and brevet major J. R. Boswall, transferred to Ellore.

28th Regt. N.I.—Senior lieut. (brevet capt.) W. Cunningham to be capt., v. Yates, dec.; date of commission April 7, 1865.

No. 145.—Subject to the confirmation of the Government of India, the services of Surg. H. R. Oswald, M.D., are placed at the disposal of the comsr. of Mysore, for employment in that province.

Lieut. col. S. J. Batten, staff corps, is removed from doing duty under orders of the officer comg. Mysore division, and will join and assume command of 7th regt. N.I.

The removal of Lieut. H. F. deLousada, late 51st N.I., to do duty 41st regt. N.I., notified in G.O. April 10, 1865, is cancelled, and that officer is app. act. qrmr. and interp. 10th regt. N.I.

Lieut. H. H. H. Hallett, 17th regt. N.I., is appd. to do duty with, and to act as adjt., of the 1st regt. N.I.

Capt. F. M. Raynsford, staff corps, has obtained a certificate of qualification in surveying.

27th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. col. M. Cholmeley, from May 3 to June 2—Presy., m.c.

6th Regt. N.I.—Capt. (brev. major) W. N. Price, in continuation till June 30—Neilgherries, m.c.

30th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. (brev. capt.) E. T. W. Price, from date of departure—Bangalore and Madras, m.c.

17th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. T. P. F. Tytler from date of departure for 6 mo., the first 60 days to be priv. leave—Neilgherries and Madras.

37th Grenadiers.—Lieut. and adjt. J. F. T. Sherman, in continuation of priv. leave, from April 30 to Aug. 30—Madras.

Surg. major H. Smith, F.R.C.S., of the 3rd regt. L.I., to Europe on m.c. for 20 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

No. 155.—Maj. (brev. lieut. col.) W. G. Owen, 11th regt. N.I., is permitted to proceed to sea, the Eastern Coast, and Bangalore, on m.c., with leave from April 3 to Oct. 3, to embark from the Eastern Coast.

Maj. A. B. Marsack, staff corps, cantonment joint mag., Trichinopoly, to Europe, on m.c., for 20 mo., to embark from Madras.

Surg. maj. J. Kirkpatrick, M.D., medical dept., to Europe, on m.c., for 15 mo., to embark from Madras.

1st Regt. L.C.—Capt. E. M. Cherry, from May 19 to July 1, in ext., to Ootacamund.

30th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. C. E. Shirreffs, from March 25 to June 8, to Madras.

Royal Art.—Lieut. H. T. F. Shea, A batt. 14th brig., from date of dep., for 2 mo., on m.c., to Neilgherries.

18th Hussars.—Maj. and paymaster S. Blake, in ext., for 1 mo., from April 30, on m.c., to Neilgherries.

BOMBAY.

BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Adj. Gen.'s Office, Poona, April 10.—No. 366.—Lieut. D. C. Bell, cadre 17th regt. N.I., is attached to the 7th regt. N.I.

No. 367.—The underment. officer returned to duty by permission of the Sec. of State for India on March 14 :—

Capt. R. G. T. Stevenson, 2nd L.C.

April 12.—No. 371.—Maj. M. J. Soppitt, cadre 12th regt. N.I., is placed on gen. duty, Bombay garrison.

No. 372.—Maj. W. L. Cahusac, cadre 11th regt. N.I., is placed on gen. duty, Poona.

No. 373.—Maj. J. J. Laurie, cadre 30th regt. N.I., is placed on gen. duty, Ahmedabad.

No. 374.—Lieut. W. H. Ross officiated as 2nd in comd., and Lieut. F. Paul as wing officer, 23rd regt. N.I., in addition to their own respective duties, from June 26 to June 30, 1864, during the absence of Maj. Peyton and Capt. Waddington on court martial duty.

No. 375.—Leave of absence :—

Lieut. M. J. Clarke, F batty. 14th brig. R.A., from date of embarkation, to England (overland), m.c.

Lieut. col. J. J. Bull, 56th foot, from date of embarkation, to England (overland), m.c.

Capt. J. L. Egginton, adjt. 3rd drag. gds., from date of embarkation, to England, via Egypt, m.c.

Surg. W. Hanbury, 33rd foot, from date of embarkation, to England, via Egypt, m.c.

Ensign F. M. Hunter, 106th foot, from date of embarkation, to England, via Egypt, m.c.

Lieut. W. A. C. Stuart Menteth, 106th foot, from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape of Good Hope, m.c.

Lieut. C. L. Heathcote, 106th foot, from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape of Good Hope, m.c.

Lieut. and adjt. A. R. Trimmer, 44th foot, from April 14 to May 18, to Bombay, prep. to 15 mo.'s leave of absence to Europe.

Capt. J. Barnes, 2nd in comd. 30th regt. N.I., cadre 3rd Eur. regt., for 30 days from date of departure, to Bombay on m.c., prep. to final certificate to Europe.

Capt. F. F. Atkinson, 45th foot, for 30 days from date of departure, to Bombay on m.c., prep. to final certificate to Europe.

Asst. surg. W. P. Partridge, med. estab., for 30 days from date of departure, to Bombay on m.c., prep. to final certificate to Europe.

Lieut. F. Reeves, 103rd foot, from March 26 to April 25, to Bombay, prep. to leave to England.

Conductor W. Lee, comart. dept., from April 10 to April 30, to remain at Bombay on m.c.

No. 376.—Capt. W. E. LeGeyt is permitted to resign his appointment as 2nd squadron officer, 2nd regt. Sind horse, and is appointed to offic. as 2nd in command 2nd L.C., during the absence of Capt. Sykes.

No. 378.—Capt. Hanson, staff corps, is appointed to act as wing officer 9th regt. N.I., during the absence of Major Thompson, on m.c., to Europe.

No. 379.—Cornet R. G. Nicholas, 3rd dragoon guards, is appointed acting adjt. to the regt., v. Lieut. and adjt. Egginton, proceeded to England on m.c., dated Jan. 21.

No. 383.—The following orders are confirmed :—
Dated Feb. 9.—By the officer commanding 3rd dragoon guards, appointing Lieut. Davies to act as interpreter to the regt., v. Lieut. Fitzgerald.

Dated March 16.—By Lieut. col. Combe, directing Capt. J. A. Smith to act as staff officer and superint. of bazaars, Bhooj, until the arrival of Capt. Lord.

No. 385.—Leave of absence :—
Capt. F. F. Atkinson,* 45th foot, from date of embarkation, to England, by the overland route, on m.c.

Capt. J. Bond, 93rd foot, from date of embarkation, to England, by the overland route, on m.c.

Ensign S. Smith,* 108th foot, from date of embarkation, to England, via the Cape of Good Hope, on m.c.

Ensign T. V. Shepherd, 109th foot, 15 mo. from date of embarkation, to New Zealand, on m.c.

Capt. C. P. Stokes, 4th foot, from April 7 to April 30, to Bombay, on m.c.

Lieut. col. H. Adams, 13th regt. N.I., from May 15 to June 14, in ext.

April 12.—No. 387.—With reference to G.O.C. No. 303, dated March 22 last, Lieut. Tindling will proceed to join the 30th regt. N.I. by rail and steamer at the public expense.

No. 389.—H.R.H. the field marshal C. in C. has been pleased to grant leave of absence :—Capt. (Brev. maj.) T. J. MacLachlan, 21st brig. R.A., from March 3 to Sept. 3, in ext.

The underment. officer has obtained leave of absence subject to confirmation by H.E. the C. in C. in India :—Capt. H. F. W. Carew, 89th foot, from date of embarkation, to England via the Cape of Good Hope, for the purpose of appearing before a medical board.

This officer is available for duty with troops, and

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Leave of Absence.—

Lieut. W. Marshall, doing duty officer 25th regt. N.I., staff corps, date of departure April 30, to Poorundhur, on m.c.

Lieut. E. Chapple, 95th foot, from April 1 to May 15, in ext., to study the Arabic language.

Capt. E. S. K. Dawson, 106th foot, from April 1 to April 30, to remain at Bombay, on m.c.

April 20.—*Erratum.*—The date of appt. of Capt. T. E. Adams to 45th foot is Nov. 29, 1864, and not 1865, as stated in G.O.C. No. 257 of March 9, 1865.

April 21.—No. 391.—The undermen. officer returned to duty by perm. of the Sec. of State for India on April 13:—

Capt. J. G. T. Griffith, R.E.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATES.

April 22.—No. 392.—Adverting to articles 319 and 320, page 84, 3rd appendix Jameson's Code, and with the sanction of Government, the commander of the forces is pleased to announce that the decision of the standing medical committee at Kurrachee, in the case of officers of the Bombay army recommended to proceed on medical certificate to Europe, shall be final.

It must be understood that officers obtaining such final certificates at Kurrachee will not be allowed to remain at the presidency beyond the date of departure of the mail steamer leaving Bombay immediately after the arrival of the Kurrachee boat.

No. 395.—The following temp. arrangements are confirmed:—

3rd Regt. N.I.

Major E. Campbell to offic. as comdnt., Capt. J. F. Chapman as 2nd in comd., and Capt. J. P. Forbes as wing officer, in addition to his own duties, with effect from April 4, during the abs. of Col. Birdwood, or until further orders.

No. 396.—The following temp. arrangement is confirmed, with effect from March 3:—

2nd Regt. L.C.

Major Blair, v.c., to offic. as comdnt., during the abs. of Lieut. col. Taylor, or until further orders.

No. 397.—The following temp. arrangement is confirmed, with effect from 11th inst.:—

5th Regt. N.L.I.

Lieut. C. M. Ryves to offic. as qmr., during the abs. of Lieut. Madden, or until further orders.

No. 398.—Capt. R. G. T. Stevenson, cadre 2nd regt. L.C., is att. to the 3rd L.C.

No. 401.—Leave of absence:—

Royal Art.—Asst. surg. J. B. Jardine, 18th brigade, and Capt. C. E. Newport, C batty. 18th brigade, from date of embarkation, to England, via Cape of Good Hope, m.c.

Bombay Staff Corps.—Lieut. O. Barnes, 2nd squadron officer, 10th Bengal cav., from March 21 to April 7, in ext., to remain in Calcutta, prep. to embarkation.

44th Foot.—Lieut. A. T. Trimmer (adjt.), for 15 mo. from date of embarkation, to England.

103rd Foot.—Lieut. F. Reeves, for 15 mo. from date of embarkation, to England.

72nd Foot.—Lieut. H. A. Crane, from Aug. 9 to Dec. 15, 1865, in ext.

4th Foot.—Ensign C. M. Davidson, 1st batt., from April 22 to May 21, in ext.

BIRTHS.

ARBUTHNOT.—At Cannanore, April 15, the wife of Capt. G. A. Arbuthnot, 8th Light Cavalry, of a daughter.

BIRKS.—At Madras, April 14, the wife of William Birks, Esq., of a son.

CARMENT.—At Pulladam, April 14, the wife of J. Carment, Esq., of a daughter.

EVANS.—At Calcutta, April 19, the wife of Lewis Pugh Evans, Esq., Barrister-at-law, of a son.

FARQUHARSON.—At Vypeen, in Cochin, April 16, the wife of Mr. John B. Farquharson, of a son.

GARSTIN.—At Almorah, May 13, the wife of Lieut. C. J. Garstin, 4th Ghorkhas, of a son.

GRANT.—At Cawnpore, March 17, the wife of Mr. A. A. Grant, E.I. Railway, of a daughter.

HAMER.—At Calcutta, April 13, the wife of Mr. J. E. Hamer, of a daughter.

JACKSON.—At Sealkote, March 21, the wife of Lieut. col. C. Jackson, Bengal Army, of a daughter.

MACKENZIE.—At Secunderabad, April 15, the wife of Colin Mackenzie, Esq., 4th Regiment N.I., of a daughter.

MORRIS.—At the Royal Hotel, Madras, April 21, the wife of Capt. W. G. Morris, 1st Light Cav., of a daughter.

WATSON.—At Rangoon, April 12, the wife of Alex. Watson, Esq., Bank of Bengal, of a daughter.

YOUNG.—At Secunderabad, April 10, the wife of Major C. W. S. Young, Staff Corps, D. A. C. General, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

HARRIS—FRASER.—At St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund, April 6, W. H. Harris, Esq., m.d., Surgeon, 31st Regiment Madras L.I., to Emma Jane Mary, eldest daughter of James Fraser, Esq., Madras Civil Service.

MILLER—FENTON.—At St. Bartholomew's Church, Barrackpore, April 4, James Edward, second son of the late James Miller, R.N., to Elizabeth, fourth daughter of the late Mr. George Felton.

DEATH.

BENSLEY.—At Trivandrum, April 13, Miss Elizabeth Ellen Bensley, aged 29 years.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c., IN H.M.'S REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA.

May 16.

3rd Drag. Guards.—Vet. surg. M. D. Byrne, from military train, to be vet. surg., v. E. T. Cheesman, res.

19th Hussars.—Capt. K. J. W. Coghill, from the Bengal staff corps to be capt., v. Brev. maj. H. H. Gough, who exc.

Royal Art.—Staff asst. surg. J. Wales to be asst. surg.; Staff asst. surg. E. J. Boulton, to be asst. surg.

Military Train.—The appt. May 2, of Capt. G. Horner, from the late 5th W.I. regt., v. J. Smith, who reverts to half-pay, has been cane.

10th Foot.—T. G. Booth, gent., to be ens., by purchase, v. H. C. Huntley, prom.

12th Foot.—Capt. G. Horner, from the late 5th W.I. regt., to be capt., v. J. J. P. Fox, transf. to 61st foot; Lieut. H. M. Lowry to be capt., by purchase, v. A. J. Leeson, who rets.; Ens. J. Boulton, to be lieut., by purchase, v. Lowry; R. B. Ward, gent., to be ens., by purchase, v. Boulton; Staff asst. surg. J. M. McLean, m.d., to be asst. surg., v. T. Walsh, appd. to the staff.

18th Foot.—Lieut. F. W. Lipscomb to be instructor of musketry, v. Lieut. H. G. Heath, who has res. the appt.

19th Foot.—Lieut. C. J. F. Smith-Forbes to be capt. by purchase, v. E. F. Foster, who rets.; Ens. J. G. Moir to be lieut., by purchase, v. Smith-Forbes; A. Roche, gent., to be ens., by purchase, v. Moir; Qmr. C. M'Lagan, from the 74th foot, to be qmr., v. Malony, who excs.

21st Foot.—Staff asst. surg. J. H. C. Whipple, m.d., to be asst. surg., v. H. O. Harvey, dec.

27th Foot.—Capt. M. Fanning, from the 2nd W.I. regt., to be capt., v. Brev. maj. Molesworth, who exc.

56th Foot.—Lieut. A. N. Bolton to be capt., by purchase, v. G. S. Gubbins, who rets.; Ens. J. E. Le Motteé to be lieut., by purchase, v. Bolton; J. Corse-Scott, gent., to be ens., by purchase, v. Le Motteé.

82nd Foot.—Lieut. W. C. Seton to be capt., by purchase, v. W. A. Baile, prom. to a half-pay majority, by purchase; Ens. S. Pitt to be lieut., by purchase, v. Seton; Ens. S. N. Lloyd, from 100th foot, to be ens., v. Pitt.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Asst. surg. T. Walsh, from 12th foot, to be staff asst. surg., v. G. M'iver Campbell, m.d., appd. to 67th foot.

Asst. surg. H. W. Devlin, from royal art., to be staff asst. surg., v. J. M. McLean, m.d., appd. to 12th foot.

Asst. surg. G. Park, m.d., supernumerary in 52nd foot, to be staff asst. surg., v. J. Wales, appd. to the royal art.

May 26.

2nd Dragoons.—Cornet Sir H. C. Pelly, Bart., to be lieut., by purch., v. J. Grieve, ret.; J. B. Deacon, gent., to be cornet, by purch., v. Sir H. C. Pelly, Bart.; May 26.

Royal Art.—Col. J. Maitland, from the supernu. list, to be col., v. R. C. Moore, c.b., prom. to major gen.; March 29. The promotion of Lieut. col. W. C. F. Gosling to be antedated to Feb. 17. Capt. A. Stewart to be lieut. col., v. T. H. Campbell, seconded;

March 24. The promotion of Capt. T. B. Swete to be antedated to Feb. 17. 2nd Capt. G. C. M. Martin to be capt., v. Stewart; March 24. The promotion of 2nd Capt. W. Manderson to be antedated to Feb. 17. Lieut. I. Ketchen to be 2nd capt., v. Martin; Lieut. A. de Beer-Baruchson has been permitted to resign his commission; March 24. Lieut. R. P. Waddington has been permitted to resign his commission; May 26. Lieut. Henry St. John Vaughan Le Marchant Thomas has been permitted to assume the name of Le Marchant in addition to and after that of Thomas; 2nd Capt. E. C. Griffin to be adjt., v. Delane, prom.; Dec. 1. 2nd Capt. R. Pope to be adjt., v. Blair, who resigns the adjutancy only; Dec. 10. 2nd Capt. H. M. Finlay to be adjt., v. Baird, prom.; Dec. 16.

Royal Engineers.—Gentleman cadet J. Brown, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut., with temp. rank, v. J. C. Menzies, removed to supernu. list; May 26.

11th Foot.—Ens. F. N. Callwell to be lieut., by pur., v. Baskerville, whose prom., by pur., May 9, has been cane.; May 26.

12th Foot.—Qmr. F. Luttrell, from the military train, to be qmr., v. J. E. Tripp, dec.; May 26.

36th Foot.—Lieut. W. Neill to be capt., by pur., v. F. W. Harris, who rets.; Ens. L. G. O. Stucley to be lieut. by pur., v. Neal; H. W. Pride, gent., to be ens., by pur., v. Stucley; May 26.

45th Foot.—Ens. R. Garnett to be lieut., without pur., v. O. W. de Thoren, 2nd on appt. as instructor in military history at the Royal Military College; May 26.

60th Foot.—Ens. D. Bingham to be lieut., by pur., v. R. D. Elphinstone, who rets.; R. C. Davies, gent., to be ens., by pur., v. Bingham; May 26.

79th Foot.—Ens. H. F. Rowley to be lieut., by pur., v. E. Everett, prom.; J. D. K. McCallum, gent., to be ens., by pur., v. Rowley; May 26.

97th Foot.—Ens. A. Lynch to be lieut., by pur., v. M. Davies, who rets.; R. A. Swetenham, gent., to be ens., by pur., v. Lynch; May 26.

Rifle Brig.—Lieut. H. M. Moorsom to be capt., without pur., v. Brev. maj. E. Rose, dec.; Ens. R. W. Ormerod to be lieut., without pur., v. Moorsom; March 7. Ens. and adjt. G. Rogers to have the rank of lieut.; April 18.

BREVET.

The undermentioned officers having completed the qualifying service with the rank of lieut. col., to be colonels, under the Royal Warrant of Oct. 14, 1858:—

Maj. and brev. lieut. col. D. D. Muter, 51st foot; March 31.

Lieut. col. F. J. Travers, R.A.; April 1.

Lieut. col. E. H. Fisher, R.A.; April 1.

Lieut. col. R. F. Mountain, R.A.; April 17.

Lieut. col. G. J. Brown, 4th hussars; May 4.

MEMORANDUM.

Lieut. col. and brev. col. J. G. McKerlie, half-pay, R.E., has been permitted to retire from the service by the sale of his commission, under the Horse Guards' Circular Memorandum of Feb. 15, 1861; May 26.

DEPARTURE OF PASSENGERS.—The following passengers departed to the East this day (May 27):—Per Overland Route, per steamer *Delhi*, from Southampton to Bombay—Mr. and Mrs. J. Ker, Mr. E. W. Garrard, Mr. F. J. Chambers, Captain C. Smith, Mr. Adamson, Mr. S. Adamson, Mr. J. Adamson, Mr. G. Macpherson, Mr. D. Mc Kay, Mr. R. Cowdery, Mr. T. W. Coldham, Mr. W. Mills, Mr. James Billing, Mr. C. W. W. Spooner, Mr. Barton. Per steamer *Nyanza*, from Marseilles to Bombay—Mr. James Rose.

REPORT OF BULLION.

Per the Messageries Impériales Company's str. *Mooris*, May 19, from Marseilles.

	Gold.	Silver.
Alexandria	£40,116	—
Ponicherry	6,556	—
Madras	280	£5,104
Calcutta	—	13,784
Saigon	—	3,360
Shanghai	80	—
	£47,032	£22,248

Bar Silver, per oz. std. 5s. 1½d. Mexican Dollars, per oz. 4s. 11½d. Five Franc Pieces, per oz. 4s. 11d., nom.

THE INDIA-OFFICE.—In the House of Lords on Friday, the India-office (Site and Approaches) Bill was read a third time and passed.

To Correspondents.

All letters for insertion in *Allen's Indian Mail* should be accompanied with the real name and address of the writer, "not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith."

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ALLEN'S INDIAN MAIL,

SATURDAY, May 27, 1865.

THE "WALLAHS" AND THE SYSTEM.

THE popular ideal of a "Competition Wallah" is an undersized young man, with no chest to speak of, rather weak legs, and an intelligent, but ugly cast of countenance; who wears spectacles, is inclined to carry a pen behind his ear, and has a tendency to transact the business of life from a high stool; who dresses accidentally, and has concentrated his ignorance upon all matters relating to horses and field sports.

This interesting picture, so far as outline is concerned, was duly presented to the House of Commons the other night, when Mr. A. Mills called attention to the regulations for admission to the Indian Civil Service. Upon that occasion the competition system met with some condemnation, and the manner in which it is conducted with a great deal. The result, as several speakers declared, is that we are not getting the best men who are to be got for India; and one speaker went so far as to say that the new members of the service are "emphatically not gentlemen," and have such palpable personal requirements upon this score as to incur the contempt of the natives of the country. We need scarcely say that these charges against the body of gentlemen in question have as little general application as the caricature given above; and, are besides illiberal, discourteous, and particularly out of place in an assembly like the House of Commons. We have something more than a doubt about the present being an improvement upon the old system; and the best that can be said of the competitive arrangement is that it is a check upon corruption, and gives an opportunity for entering the service to a large class in the country who would never enter it by other means. For the rest, we most of us know, more or less from experience, that if we desired to pick out the best men from any given number, we would rather be governed in our choice by a personal knowledge of the candidates than by any results of suc-

cess in examination. Had such a system always prevailed in the service, or in public life, there can be no question that some of our greatest men would never have been heard of. And in India, it should be remembered, the persons selected by such a test have far more important and extensive duties to perform than the members of the Civil Service in this country. They are none of them mere clerks. Most of them have legal functions to fulfil; some are employed in diplomatic positions; those who rise high have legislative duties; and such, in fact, are the exigencies of the service, that every member of it should have the materials of a statesman. Under these circumstances it is obvious that the competition system is insufficient for the purpose, and unsatisfactory in more ways than one.

Admitting these defects, there is all the more reason why the system should not be made worse than it need be. And such we believe to be the case under the existing regulations. The scheme of examination itself should be sufficient to point out the fact; but we judge by results. We are sending out clever and able men to India, who perform their duties to the satisfaction of the authorities, and sometimes with very great credit indeed. Many of these successful candidates are of lower social grade than the service had hitherto known, but as a body they cannot be said to discredit it, or cause it to be held in disrespect. But although the plan is so far successful, it is certain that we are not getting the best—or a fair proportion of the best—men in the country, who, under different conditions, might offer themselves for Indian service. The proportion of University men who present themselves, very large at first, has very greatly diminished, and is still on the decrease; and of candidates from the public schools there are also very few. The sons of old members of the service, of officers in the army, and of professional men generally, are very limited in number. As far as the University men are concerned, there may be many different reasons, as stated by Lord Stanley, why they do not offer themselves; but it is quite unnecessary to go looking about for other causes when a sufficient one is apparent—that the nature of the examination is such as to give them very little chance of success. And the same argument will of course apply to the public schools. For other classes of candidates the principal condition is money, and, supposing equal ability, those have the best chance who can be most specially prepared.

With every respect for the character and abilities of the men who are now filling the ranks of the service—who, as we have seen, are sometimes unfairly attacked—the

state of things here indicated can scarcely be considered perfect. There may be no need to change the plan altogether; but there is great need that it should be accommodated to the case of the classes to which we have referred, and be made as little available as possible for the purposes of "cram." Of the competition system generally, it may be said, that it produces a greater proportion of good average officials than the patronage system; it admits no fools whatever; but it appears to discourage, if not to exclude, the highest order of men who make statesmen and dictate history.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SIR HUGH ROSE, it is said, is shortly to proceed to Ireland as commander-in-chief of the forces there.

DIRECT COMMISSIONS.—The next examination for direct commissions will take place on the 31st of July, and the number of candidates is limited to 100.

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF NETHERLANDS INDIA resolved last year that a telegraphic communication should be established between Anjer (west of Java) and Jelong Betong (Sumatra). The electric cable will be enveloped with threads of goemochy (Indian flag). It is rumoured that it is the intention of the Netherlands Government to extend this line later to Palembang, with a view to reach Muntok or Siak, and to come in nearer relation to Singapore.—*Times*.

TROOPS FROM INDIA.—The *Conflict*, freight-ship, Captain Kelso, from Calcutta, with invalids, arrived at Spithead on Wednesday night. Captain Tyler, of the 80th Regiment, is in command of the troops, and Dr. Parke, of the 52nd, has medical charge. Captain Kelso received a complimentary letter from all the officers on board the ship, expressing their thanks for his attention to those with him on the voyage, and also the most unqualified satisfaction with the accommodation of his ship.

COMMERCIAL FAILURES.—The suspension has been announced to-day of Messrs. Remington, Cartwright, and Co., of London, correspondents of Messrs. Leckie and Co., of Bombay. The liabilities are stated to be £200,000; probable assets may yield a surplus of £70,000. The impossibility of obtaining advances on any description of goods or securities at Bombay is assigned as the cause of the stoppage of the London firm. The suspension has also been announced of Messrs. Dirom, Davidson, and Co., an old and respectable East India firm at Liverpool, with large liabilities. The failure has also been announced of Mr. Wm. Duthie, merchant, of No. 1, East India Avenue, the extent of whose liabilities has not transpired.

NORTHERN ASSAM TEA COMPANY.—Proposals have been issued by the Northern Assam Tea Company to increase their capital to £400,000 by the creation of 25,000 B shares of £10 each (with certain preferential rights up to July, 1868), for the purpose of purchasing from the old and well-known Assam Company the whole of their outlying estates in Upper Assam, which are contiguous to those of the Northern Company. The price is £100,000; and the object of the Assam Company in selling the property is stated to be to enable them to concentrate their operations on their other lands. The area at present under cultivation is 1,000 acres, of which over 500 are in full bearing. No applications for new issue B shares will be received from holders of A shares claiming allotments under the articles of association after Wednesday, the 31st inst. The general list will be closed on Saturday, June 3.

CALCUTTA AND SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY.—The half-yearly meeting of the shareholders of this company was held on Thursday, May 25, at the offices, Gresham House; Mr. J. Borrowdale in the chair. The report having been read, the chairman, in moving its adoption, said the directors were still obliged to look to the future rather than to the present. The revenue, he said, showed an increase, and he trusted that this would be the last occasion on which the board would have to report a deficit. Matters remained about stationary up to the formation of the Port Canning Company, all of whose works must prove beneficial to the Calcutta and South-Eastern Company. There were five ships unloading there already, and there would no doubt be more if the accommodation were larger. The Government was at last doing something to provide the requisite stations. It being necessary to double the line, additional capital was wanted for that purpose, and powers were now sought from the shareholders to effect the object. A report had recently arrived from India recommending that a station should be provided about five miles from Calcutta. The report was adopted, and subsequently, at a special meeting, authority was given to the board to increase the capital by the issue of shares and debentures. It was impossible, the chairman said, to state how much money would be required, but the consent of the Secretary of State for India would, of course, be necessary. A resolution was also passed reducing the quorum of shareholders at ordinary meetings from 20 to 10.

EASTERN BENGAL RAILWAY.—The fourteenth report of the directors contains highly satisfactory evidence of the progress of the line. The expectations held out by the agent in India, that many of the native merchants and shippers would make the terminal station at Kooshtee the point of arrival and departure for their boats carrying cargo to Calcutta, are now being realised. The result has been that the merchandise traffic for the first thirteen weeks of the present year has amounted to £15,156. 12s. 6d., as against £4,561. 6s. 8d. received for the same period of the previous year. The receipts from both the passenger and merchandise traffic during the same period, compared with those of the corresponding period in last year, show an improvement of above £8,000; and of above £19,000 over those of the similar period in 1863. One of the river steamboat companies has commenced a regular weekly steamer service between Kooshtee and the marts of Dacca and Narain-gunge.

GRANTS FOR ARMY SERVICES.—A comparison of the sums expended with the sums granted by Parliament for army services in the year ending 31st March, 1864, shows that in the main there has been an economy of £578,997. 0s. 11d. in these charges for that year. For nine heads of charge the grants were exceeded, the principal being commissariat establishment services and movement of troops, by £162,085. 13s.; disembodied militia, £34,402. 14s. 2d.; surveys, &c., £6,072. 6s.; and amounts written off as irrecoverable, being balances due from sundry persons, £4,379. 13s. 3d. The total amount of excess on any of the votes was £210,381. 11s. 10d. But this was more than covered by the sums saved upon 21 of the grants, from which £789,378. 12s. 9d. remained unexpended. Thus there was an economy, on the whole, of £578,997. 0s. 11d.

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENT.—Her Majesty has been pleased to authorise the following appointment:—Edward Hutchinson Pollard, Esq., to be one of her Majesty's counsel for Hong Kong.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 26. Hien-Jrika, Patav.; M'zapore, Calcutta.

INDIA EXCHANGES.

BANK AND COMMERCIAL BILLS.

	60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.		60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.
Calcutta	1s. 11d.	1s. 11d.	Singapore	4s. 6d.	4s. 7½d.
Madras	1s. 10½d.	1s. 11d.	Hong Kong	4s. 6d.	4s. 7½d.
Bombay	1s. 11d.	1s. 11d.	Shanghai	—	—
Colombo	par	1½ pm.			

STOCKS AND SECURITIES.

Shares.		Paid.	Prices.
£.	India Stock, 1874...		215 to 218
	India 5 per cent.		106½ to 107
	India 4 per cent.		99½
	India 4 per cent. 1858 ..		99½
	India Enforced Paper 4 pr. ct.		89
	India 5 p. ct. Enfd. Paper, 1872		101
	India Stock, Enfd. Paper, 5½ per cent.		103
	India Stock Debentures, 1855		95½
	India Stock Debentures, 1856		116
	" " " " 1863		99½
	" " " " 1864		99½
	" " " " 1864 or 1866		99½
	India Debentures, do., £1,000		3 dis.
	Do. 4 per cent., 1866 ..		105
	India 5 per cent. for account...		106½ to 107
	India 5 per cent., 1870 ..		99½
	India 4 per cent., 1858 ..		104½
	India Loan Scrip 5 per cent.		104½
	India Bonds, 4 p. ct. (£1,000)		104½
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	Ditto (under £1,000)		17s.
	RAILWAYS.		
Stock	Bombay, Baroda, and Central India (guar. 5 per cent.)	100	102 to 103
	Ditto F Shares	4	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Calcutta & S. Eastern (lim.)	100	99 to 107
Stock	Eastern Bengal (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	101 to 103
Stock	East Indian	100	104
Stock	Ditto J. Extension	10	par to ½
Stock	G. I. Peninsula (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	103 to 104
Stock	Ditto (New ditto)	12	½ to 1 pm.
Stock	Ditto, New	2	par to ½ pm.
Stock	Great I. of India (Lim.) Scrip	100	100 to 102
Stock	Ditto 4½ p. c.	2	
Stock	Madras (guar. 4½ per cent.)	100	99 to 91
Stock	Ditto 5 per cent.	100	103
Stock	Ditto (guar. 4½ per cent.)	100	93 to 95
Stock	5th Extension	2	½
Stock	Scinde 5 per cent.	100	100½ to 101½
Stock	Ditto India Steam Flotilla (guar. 5 per cent.)	100	97
Stock	Ditto Delhi guar. 5 per cent.	100	101½
Stock	Ditto Delhi gua. 5 p. c.	all	100½ to 101½
Stock	Ditto	2	½ to 1
Stock	Punjab (5 per cent.)	100	100½ to 101½
	BANKS.		
100	Agra and Masterman's (L) ...	50	113 to 116
50	Do., New issue	25	56 to 68
50	Do. issue at 30 pm.	25	60 to 63
20	Asiatic Banking Corp., new issue, £15 pm., on which £7. 10s. has been paid	2½	8 to 10
40	Australasian	all	68 to 70
40	New	all	67 to 69
25	Bank of Egypt	all	29 to 31
20	Chart. of Ind., Aus., & China	all	24 to 26
20	Ditto, New	all	
25	Chart. Merc. of India, Lond., and China	all	46 to 47
	New	12½	
25	Commercial Bank of India	all	99 to 32
100	Hindustan, China, & Japan	25	8 to 6
100	Do. New issue at 2 pm.	25	8 to 6
100	New Issue at 6 pm., of which 1 pd.	15	6 to 4
20	Land Mortgage Bank of India	4	par to ½ pm.
25	Oriental Bank Corporation	all	50 to 52
20	Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi	10	4 to 3 d.
20	Ditto New	7½	2 pm.
	MISCELLANEOUS.		
5	Bombay Gas	all	5½ to 5½
5	Second issue	3	½ to ½
5	Third issue	1	½ d. to ½ pm.
20	British India Tea	14	1½ to 1½ d
	E. Assam Tea (Lim.)	1	½ d. to ½ pm.
20	Ceylon	7	2½ to 8½
50	Credit Foncier of Mauritius	10	3 to 2 dis
20	East India Irr. & Can.	10	3 to 2 dis.
50	E. I. Financial	7½	3 to 3
2	Indian Carrying (Lim.)	1	½ d. par
20	Mauritius Land Cdt. (Lim.)	2	½ d. to ½ pm.
20	Madras Irrig. and Canal	10	1 d. par
20	Do.	all	1½ to 2½
10	Mediterran. Ext. Tel. (Lim.)	all	3½ to 4½
20	Nerbudda Coal and Iron	5	3 to 1
20	Do. New	2	1½ to ½
10	North Assam Tea (Lim.)	1	1 to 2
20	Oriental Commercial	7	par to 1 pm.
50	Oriental Financial	10	8 to 6 dis.
1	Oriental Gas	all	1½ to 1½
1	Do. New	all	1½ to 1½
10	Oriental Inland Steam A. (L)	all	2½ to 3½
50	P. and O. Steam Nav. Co.	all	85 to 87
5½	Ditto New	35	23 to 25 pm.
10	Upper Assam Tea	3½	3 to 4 pm.
10	Ditto	all	17 to 20

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

INDIA OFFICE, 23rd May, 1865.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA
in COUNCIL HEREBY GIVES NOTICE, That he has RECEIVED from the GOVERNMENT of MADRAS the undermentioned SCHEDULES, viz.:

Schedule of all Sums of Money, Bonds, and other Securities received by the Administrator-general on account of each Estate remaining under his charge, together with the payments made thereout, and the Balances. Prepared up to the 31st of December, 1864, under Section XXXIV. of Act VIII. of 1855.

Schedule of all Administrations whereof the final Balances have been paid to the persons entitled to the same, specifying the amount of such Balances, and the persons to whom paid. Prepared from the 1st of July to the 31st of December, 1864, under Section XXXIV. of Act VIII. of 1855.

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The Assam Company, the first established for the cultivation of Tea in India, being desirous of concentrating and confining their operations to the Southern Division of Upper Assam, and thus centralising the management of their extensive properties, have determined on selling to the Northern Assam Tea Company (Limited), whose estates are contiguous, the whole of the Northern and Eastern Division of their property in Assam, instead of adopting the alternative of promoting a new Company to carry them on, or placing them under separate management.

The present extension of capital, therefore, is for the purpose of purchasing direct from the Assam Company the whole of their outlying estates in the neighbourhood of the Tingrie and Dehing Rivers in Upper Assam, forming their Northern and Eastern Division, and consisting of the following gardens:—The Tingrie Mookh, Hoogrie Jaun, Kelung, Nahola, Cato, Tippam, Hookam Joorie, Towrook.

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The Assam Company's right to the whole of this property, together with all buildings, plant, implements, tools, boats, and live stock, will be handed over to the Northern Assam Tea Company for the sum of £100,000, to be paid as follows:

8th June, 1865	...	£30,000
15th July, "	...	20,000
15th August, "	...	20,000
15th November, "	...	30,000

£100,000

The crop of Tea of this season, and any further grants of land that the superintendent or agents of the Assam Company may have acquired up to the date of completion of this sale, together with all cultivation commenced during the current season, commencing November 1, 1864, has also been contracted to be transferred to this Company, on payment of the sums actually disbursed since that date.

No commissions or promotion money have been paid or allowed.

In the allotment of shares a preference will be given to shareholders in the Northern Assam Tea Company and the Assam Company.

The Assam Company in 1863 disposed of their outlying estates in the district of Cachar, for the purchase of which a Company was formed in Calcutta, called "The Central Cachar Company," the shares of which Company are readily saleable at 25 per cent. premium. Those of the Assam Company are at above 150 per cent. premium.

The success of Tea growing in Assam is now thoroughly established. Indian Teas are rapidly increasing in value and value, owing to their great strength and pugnancy. Further, it may be stated, that the recent reduction of the duty has already caused a considerable advance in prices here, and the supply is still inadequate to the demand.

In reference to the quality and capabilities of the lands proposed to be purchased, the following extracts are taken from the last reports.

The Resident Secretary in India of the Assam Company, in his report on the property contracted for, says:—

"The lands in this part of the province are the finest for Tea cultivation in Assam. The soil is not only the very best, but the forests contain the most splendid timber, inexhaustible in extent, which is not the case in the Southern Division. It needs no foresight to predict that the property the Company holds in this part of the country may be made within the next ten years equal, if not superior, to that which they will be in possession of at that time in the Southern Division."

The following are also extracts from a report made to the Directors of the Assam Company by their Chief Superintendent in January last, when he visited the property:—

"That the land is first rate, there is no question or doubt, but to effect such an object (that is, work it to full advantage), it must be divided into a distinct field, and the management given to the person residing on the spot.

"I have now got the Deputy Commissioner to accept three applications near Tingrie, for probably an area of about 7,000 acres, including the land between Tingrie, Hoogrie Jaun, and Kelung, along the banks of the Tingrie River; and this, with what we have already secured in other quarters between the Dehing and the Tingrie, will bring the Company's holding up to at least 10,000 or 12,000 acres; and I would recommend the extending in this quarter for the reason that the land is very superior, and the position likely to be much more healthy than any other portion of the Northern and Eastern Division.

"The present gardens, if worked up to their capabilities, would yield 2,000 maunds of tea.

"The plants in the nurseries, which were put down last year for the purpose of planting out, have come up very well, some of them eighteen inches and others two feet high."

The estates have been frequently visited by the Managing Director of the Northern Assam Tea Company during the last thirteen years, and as lately as March last. He fully confirms the favourable views above expressed, and is of opinion that with comparatively small outlay the indigenous plants alone can be worked up to an annual yield of 4,000 to 5,000 chests of tea.

Since the contract for the purchase has been concluded, the Assam Company have received from their Managing Director in India, and from a large shareholder in both Companies now visiting Assam, valuations of the property greatly in excess of the price agreed to be paid.

On the above grounds, therefore, the acquisition of these estates will render the Northern Assam Tea Company one of the most influential and profitable in India.

Application for Shares to be made on the annexed Form on or before Wednesday, the 31st May, on which date the list will be closed.

London, May 23, 1865.

No.

APPLICATION FOR B SHARES.

To the Directors of the NORTHERN ASSAM TEA COMPANY (Limited).

Gentlemen.—Having paid to your bankers the sum of £2, being the deposit of £2 per Share, I request you to allot to me

B Shares of £10 each in the above Company, and I hereby agree to accept such Shares, or any less number that may be allotted to me, to pay the further sum of £1 per Share on 10th July next, and the Calls as made, and to sign the Articles of Association of the Company when required. And I request you to enter my name on the Register of the Company for the number allotted.

Name in full

Profession or description

Residence in full

Date

N.B.—This portion to be retained by bankers.

THE NORTHERN ASSAM TEA COMPANY (Limited).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT NO APPLICATIONS for the B SHARES will be RECEIVED after WEDNESDAY, the 31st Instant.

By Order of the Board,

C. H. FIELDER, Secretary.

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May 24, 1865.**DEHING [TEA] COMPANY (LIMITED).****THE EAST INDIA FINANCIAL ASSOCIATION (Limited)** invite subscriptions for part of the capital, namely, for 1,000 shares only (the remaining 9,000 shares having been already taken up at Calcutta), of a Tea Company, introduced by the Association in Calcutta under the title of the DEHING COMPANY (Limited).

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845 acres.

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The properties have been valued by Mr. D. K. Mair, merchant, Calcutta, and Mr. Alexander S. Sawers, Inspector for the Land Mortgage Bank of India, at Rs. 600,000, at which price they are to be taken by the Company; subject, however, to certain deductions on a more perfect survey, to be immediately made. This places the purchase-money at the unusually low rate of £70 per acre, valuing only the land under cultivation.

The vendors have agreed to take payment for the estates as follows, viz.—Rs. 400,000 in 5,000 shares of Rs. 80 paid up, to bear dividends rateably with the other shareholders; and Rs. 200,000 in cash, part of Rs. 300,000, the amount to be called up during the first year.

The production of tea was, in 1864, 62,000 lbs.; the estimated output in 1865 is 1,09,600; and the produce should be in 1866, 1,80,000, increasing until the 1,000 acres are all in full bearing, when the return should not be less than 3,40,000 lbs., on an outlay for the season of Rs. 1,20,000.

At present the value of the tea is fully 1 rupee per lb. in Calcutta, and it is expected that the crop of 1865 will give a moderate interest on the capital paid up within the year; and that thenceforth there will be a handsome dividend, increasing up to the time when, as shown above, 1,000 acres ought to return 3,40,000 lbs. of tea on an outlay of about Rs. 1,20,000.

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Name in full

Usual signature

Profession or occupation

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Date

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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

We are in receipt of our usual files from Bombay to the 13th of May, and Calcutta to the 6th of that month.

At Bombay the commercial panic was the principal event of the fortnight. The downfall in the price of shares had not been—as anticipated—due to the close of the American war, or the fall in cotton. The share premiums had fallen of their own weight. It was at first attempted to make an arrangement with regard to time bargains, due on the 1st of July, but since the movement in that direction commenced a ruinous fall had taken place. Even the soundest stock had become for a time depreciated. There had been additional embarrassment, too, on account of the banks having changed their policy and refused to make advances even on merchandise. Otherwise there had been an excellent spirit of fairness and moderation on the part of the commercial community, and notwithstanding present difficulties, the commercial prospects of the Presidency were considered thoroughly sound. In the meantime the general public had experienced great relief from the fall in the price of commodities, and these, it can scarcely be doubted, have found the panic rather a pleasant arrangement.

What has been more felt than even the panic is deep-rooted indignation at the

"fatal march" from Mhow. The accounts previously published are more than corroborated by the news since received. It appears that the presence of cholera along the route to Nargaum was represented to the authorities at head-quarters by telegraph, so that the Mhow Staff must be absolved from all blame in the matter. The responsibility must, therefore, rest with head-quarters, and it is difficult to conceive how it can have been incurred. Sir William Mansfield, it is said, left an order prohibiting troops marching in hot weather, except in cases of emergency, and there could be no pretence for such a plea in the present instance. Nor could ignorance be alleged in justification of the error. Two years ago a regiment marched the same road, at about the same season, and were seized with cholera. During the same year another regiment followed, and buried many men on the march through the same cause. But in any case the special reason assigned by the Mhow authorities would invalidate an excuse of the kind. We have referred elsewhere to some other points in connection with this subject.

The Hon. Mr. Anderson bade farewell to Bombay and the service by the present mail. A great dinner was given in his honour, at which equally high and well deserved encomiums were passed upon his character, private as well as official. Sir Bartle Frere is losing all his ablest advisers by degrees; but it is now denied that he intends making himself independent of their counsel by resigning his own appointment. The report seems to have been true at one time, but to have become inaccurate through changed circumstances.

There has been a correspondence between Major Ewen Grant, 3rd Regiment Bombay N.I., and the Adjutant General of the Bombay Army, in reference to the position taken up by the major that the Mess and Band Funds of his regiment, and, by inference, all similar funds, are the private property of the officers themselves, somewhat in the nature of a tontine. He admits a distinction in favour of a co-partnership with Government in the mess-house rent, tent and band funds, but claims that the officers had every right to decide

as to their disposal. If a favourable answer to his claims be not obtained in India, Major Grant will appeal home.

A social reform in Bombay was meeting with much favour. A Mr. Davis has invented a washing machine, which was coming into general operation, to the satisfaction of everybody but the dhobies. People were actually having their clothes sent home whole and sound, and with all the buttons upon them.

Calcutta news was not very important. Commercial affairs had not arrived at a crisis, but there was much depression, and among new companies the East India Timber Company and the Soonderbunds Reclamation Company have closed their operations, at least for the present. On the North-East Frontier fighting had ceased. The ports of Buxa, Dooar and Dalimkote had been selected for defence during the rainy season. Contradictory reports were still received as to the Bhootas desire for peace. The chiefs of the Western section seem desirous to open negotiations with this object, and in testimony of their sincerity had promised to send ambassadors to meet Colonel Haughton; but Tounngsoo Penlow and the Dhurm Rajah's brother were still determined to hold out, and what will be the result nobody ventures to guess. The European troops who have returned from the campaign bear, it is said, ample traces of the baneful effects of the climate.

The export duties were still being discussed in the City of Palaces. Sir John Lawrence is being blamed for the policy, as well as Sir Charles Trevelyan; and people are already turning away from their former idol, and discovering that he was over-estimated before his elevation, and that his administration of the Empire is not equal to the traditions of the Punjab Government. One cause of offence is that he received the deputation which waited upon him the other day in *his slippers*. Lord Palmerston or Mr. Gladstone, it is said, would not have done this: they might have rejected the application, but it would have been with their boots on. The Calcutta people we think are a little too particular, especially as regards a Lawrence—the members of that illustrious family having

been always the worst dressed men in Asia. Many years ago Sir Henry Lawrence's durbar costume formed a constant theme for Mofussil jocularities.

The report mentioned in our last number, that the Governor-General has addressed a communication to the Talookdars in reference to the alleged invasion of their proprietary rights, receives confirmation by the present mail. The Talookdars, however, will not be satisfied with the explanation, which is simply to the effect that the only object of the Government in the proceedings which have been taken, is to prevent interference with tenant-rights.

There were some border disturbances, but the country was otherwise peaceful. There had been a great thunderstorm at Nagpore, in which General Shubrick, Major Ashburner, Major O'Connell, and some other officers had been seriously injured. The heat was very great in most places, and cases of cholera still frequent.

The next arrival from India will be the Calcutta mail, which may be expected in London on the 10th, and at Southampton on the 15th inst.

THE PATNA REBEL AHMED-OO-LAH (says the *Englishman*) has had the sentence of death passed against him commuted to penal servitude for life. It is well it has been so; death incurred under the law of the Feringhee has no terrors for a fanatical and would-be rebel hero; the expiation of a murder at the gibbet is a boon welcomed as the true key to the prophet's paradise.

A NEW MAGISTRATE AND HIS WORK.—Mr. Barton took over charge of his office as acting senior Magistrate of Police on the 3rd instant. It is understood that there are no less than 600 cases in arrears, exclusive of about 1,000 municipal cases. An effort will now be made to go into these cases, some of which have been for upwards of two years in the office, and some of the others for many months.—*Gazette*.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

BENGAL.—Surgeon W. B. Brett, H.M.'s Bengal Service, on board the *St. Lawrence*, on the homeward voyage from India, April 14.

MADRAS.—Lieut. Col. J. H. Kennedy, formerly of the 47th Madras N.I., at Red Castle, Haugh of Urr, near Dalbeattie, aged 60, May 20. Col. James Morrison, late Madras Cavalry, at Boulogne sur Mer, aged 76, May 3.

BOMBAY.—Major-General Augustus S. Hawkins, late of the Bombay Army, at Kewdon, Essex, aged 62, May 30. Capt. Burn's, H.M.'s 30th N.I. (Jacob's Rifles), at Bombay, on May 1.

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For MARSEILLES.—From BOMBAY.—Messrs. Foy, Kerr, Cortazzi, Lane, Strong, Webb, Lyboudt, Linton, Thorpe, and Arthurhoor; Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Col. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Tucker and infant, Cor. Wallace, Mr. Fowling, Mr. Kempson, Mr. W. Nicol and infant, Mr. J. Dadds, Mr. and Mrs. Dyer, Miss Lamb, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Hart, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Potter, Mrs. Malcolmson, Mrs. Marvel and infant, Mr. Foxton, Mr. Elphinstone, Mr. Tallada, Mr. Hissall, Capt. Glasspool, Mr. Boston, Lieut. Phillips, Mr. Bell. From ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. and Mrs. Schutz and two children, Mr. Bower.

Expected at Southampton.

Per *str. Peru*, June 10.—From BOMBAY.—Mr. and Mrs. Glusden, Mrs. Norris and infant, Mr. Shackleton, Mrs. Moore, Mr. Pacey, Mrs. Walshe and two children, C. pt. Stokes, Capt. and Mrs. Souter and two children, Capt. and Mrs. Merriam and four children, Mrs. Walters three children, Mr. Reeves, Mrs. Phillips and child, Lieut. Hill, Lieut. Wallace and infant, Capt. McNeil, Quar. Bradbury, Mr. Warden, Mr. Anderson.

BENGAL.

LIFE AND DEATH IN THE INDIAN ARMY.

The House of Commons has published the reply of the Government of India to the startling report of the Royal Sanitary Commission for India. That Commission horrified England, and for the moment surprised India, by the representation that the annual mortality of the English army in India is 69, and the rate of invaliding 82 per 1,000. The deduction followed that England must every year supply 5,037 recruits to feed this monster of disease, and the cry arose that India was not worth holding at such a price. Sir John Lawrence was a member of the Commission.

Those earnest philanthropists who had in India for years devoted themselves to the cause of sanitary reform, generally in obscurity and occasionally amid much obloquy, were naturally indignant, not so much that their labours should have been ignored by the commission, but that the evident results of these labours should be so completely overlooked as to lead the commission to delude the English public. The Government of India, of which Sir John Lawrence had meanwhile become the head, did only its duty, therefore, in pointing out to Sir Charles Wood that the death rate of the English Army in India has been much below the average fixed by the commission for many years, and that the various efforts made in India to improve the health of the British soldier ought to have been recognised. On a third point the Council differed from the Viceroy, the former asserting and the latter denying—and conclusively proving his denial—that there had been no want of care in the selection of sites for cantonments. The average of the Commission was based on a period of fifty-seven years up to the mutiny, a period which includes all the great wars of the company, and especially the Mahratta campaigns, in which the seasoned local troops lost 134 per 1,000. In the battle of Chillianwalla alone one regiment lost 230 men, and how many escaped from the Cabul massacre? Sanitary science, besides, was unknown in those days in India.

Subsequent years show how unfairly the deductions of the commission represent the present mortality of the army. In 1861 the deaths were, in the presidency of Bengal, 45.57 per 1,000; in Madras, 15.83; in Bombay, 24.72; in all India together, 36.74—or 23 per 1,000 below the number given by the commissioners. In 1860 the deaths in the three presidencies respectively were 39.37, 22.63, and 31.70 per 1,000. From 1859 to 1862 exclusively the average mortality of the whole four years is 32.98 per 1,000 in Bengal, which was worse than Bombay and Madras. These four years, too, were "very unfavourable"—there was the re-action after the mutiny campaigns, and there were cholera epidemics. Yet instead of 5,037 recruits only 1,408 were required to fill up the death vacancies, which, before the Commission's Report was published, realised their hope that attention to sanitary laws would reduce the annual number of recruits to 1,460. Invaliding, too, has fallen from 80.88 in 1860 to 74.02 in 1861, and to 59.61 in 1862. In 1863 both invaliding and mortality had further diminished, and last year in Bengal, out of 40,250 English soldiers, only 846 died, or at the rate of 21 per 1,000, and only 38 per 1,000 were invalided. The *Times*, in summing up the question between the Government of India and the Commission, admits that the latter were wrong, but hints a doubt whether the data of the former, referring as they do to favourable years, were not too restricted. The truth is the four years from 1859 to 1862 were as unfavourable, with the exception of war casualties, as are ever likely to recur in our occupation of the country. If against the possibility of war casualties we set the great improvements, at an immense cost, which are still going on in the cantonments, bar-

racks, and social life of the soldier, we may fairly indulge the expectation that henceforth the average rate of mortality will not exceed 30, or 9 more than last year, and that of invaliding 50 or 12 more than last year. If to this be added the large number who now volunteer to remain in the country, the most cautious will come to the conclusion that India will not annually absorb more than a thousand English recruits to maintain in efficiency an army of 70,000 men—that is a regiment a year.

We have been enabled to obtain a valuable table showing in detail the mortality and sickness of the English army in Bengal last year. Official statistics so reliable and so valuable have never before been compiled or published. The following are instructive figures:—

Months.	Average Strength.	Average No. daily Sick.	No. daily sick per cent. of Strength.	No. of Deaths.
January ...	39,587	1,975	4.99	84
February ...	40,208	2,265	5.63	35
March ...	39,982	2,417	6.05	49
April ...	40,859	2,566	6.28	42
May ...	40,857	2,760	6.76	50
June ...	40,674	2,802	6.89	100
July ...	40,684	2,821	6.93	84
August ...	40,521	2,712	6.69	80
Sept. ...	40,163	2,883	7.18	125
Oct. ...	39,954	2,586	6.47	73
Nov. ...	40,687	2,320	5.70	80
Dec. ...	40,442	1,971	4.87	95
For the year	40,385	2,507	6.21	846

In the whole year there died 20.95 per 1,000 of strength. It will be observed how steadily the number of deaths rises from 34 in cool January to 100 in scorching June, when the mortality seems to have been checked by the refreshing rains which, however, reduced it to only 84 in July and 89 in August. Soon the combined effects of the heat and rain raised it to its highest figure, 125, in the fatal month of September. Turning to the sick in hospital we see how free from epidemics the year was—

Cholera ...	185
Small-pox ...	87
Fever, Intermittent ...	17,551
" Remittent ...	1,667
" Continued ...	2,681
Apoplexy ...	90
Delirium Tremens ...	145
Dysentery, Acute ...	1,440
" Chronic ...	1,440
Diarrhoea ...	3,966
Hepatitis, Acute ...	2,273
" Chronic ...	2,273
Spleen Diseases ...	409
Respiratory do. ...	3,216
Phthisis Pulmonalis ...	318
Dropsy ...	—
Atrophy ...	—
Scurvy ...	350
Rheumatism ...	3,395
Veneral Diseases ...	10,295
Eye do. ...	1,734
Abscesses and Ulcers ...	5,266
Wounds and Accidents ...	4,246
All other causes ...	7,331
	66,280

Several men must have been twice and even more frequently in hospital, for 164.12 per cent. of the average strength were admitted during the year. Next to fever, caused, probably, by careless exposure, venereal diseases claim the largest numbers of victims. More than a fourth of the whole force, or 25.49 per cent. of strength, entered hospital on this account.

These returns are defective in two particulars, and ought to be supplemented by tables showing the causes of invaliding. They do not distinguish married from unmarried men, nor hard drinkers from the temperate and total abstainers. Other figures, which we have seen, show that the sickness among married soldiers is not half so great as among unmarried, but the mortality among the married is one-third greater. Only 145 were treated for delirium tremens, or 36 per cent. of the

whole force, and of these 11·04 per cent died. But these figures tell us nothing of the influence of excess in causing other diseases and in preventing the patient from rallying. We believe that henceforth annual returns will be sent in to the Commander-in-Chief from every regiment, showing the daily consumption in canteen of beer and spirits by each soldier, distinguishing the habits of each as very intemperate, moderate, abstemious or a teetotaler, and mentioning the number of times each has been punished for drunkenness. Our system of collecting and generalising from military statistics will this year be brought to such perfection that the responsible authorities will be able to trace the laws and operations of disease and the influence of sanitary regulations, in a way which will enable them at once to apply remedies and provide checks the moment they are required. Hitherto an epidemic had nearly done its work before it could be grappled with.—*Friend of India.*

MISCELLANEOUS.

BHOOTAN.—The *Hurkaru* contains the following:—By letters received from the Bhootan frontier we learn that on the face of Dewangiri, Tounsoo Penlow, the Dhurm-rajah's brother, and the Kotan Rajah left East Bhootan for Paro. Tounsoo Penlow himself is far from being disheartened, and in his addresses to his troops and the people he constantly assures them that during the rains he will take such measures as shall with the usual effects of the malaria expel the Feringhees from the Doora. But whilst thus preparing the Bhootas to continue the struggle, he has not forgotten the state of parties at Panakha, and omits no occasion of casting blame upon Paro Penlow for intriguing for peace with the British authorities. The object of the mission of the defenders of the Pass at Dewangiri to Paro would seem to be the definite settlement of the question between the two parties who are now struggling for power. We learn that Brigadier General Tytler after visiting Darjeeling, will proceed to Assam, *via* Doobree. The operations along the frontier may now be considered over. We trust, however, that with a view to any eventualities which may occur, the Government will at once set about organising an "Intelligence Department," whose duty it shall be to acquire as much information as possible of Bhootan and the Bhootas. We all know how much the want of this department has been felt in the recent operations. The Civil Department has its own work to do, and although it may be in communication with the chiefs of the enemy, it is not usually possessed of the kind of information which is valuable to a military commander. Rightly managed, this department should enable us to avoid the commission of many errors, whilst adding considerably to our general store of information of a country little known and less understood.

SOLDIERS' WORKSHOPS.—With a view of stimulating to a greater extent the exertions of individual workmen, not only in themselves prosecuting their trade, but also instructing their younger and less experienced comrades, and the sons of the soldiers of their regiment, the Commander-in-Chief, with the sanction of Government, has instituted annual prizes on a small scale, viz., "for each apprentice who may be certified to have acquired a thorough knowledge of any trade, the soldier who taught him, to receive a bonus of 25 rupees." Other smaller prizes will be given for approximate instruction.

TELEGRAPHS IN BHOOTAN.—The Government have sanctioned the construction of several flying telegraph lines in the Bengal Doora of Bhootan, considering that by the ordinary means during the rains communication between the several posts may become difficult and slow.

PRIVATE DORAN, OF H.M.'s 106TH.—On Sunday, the 23rd April (says the *Hurkaru*), a fine young soldier of H.M.'s 106th Regiment was drowned by the accidental upsetting of a boat in the Ajmere lake, a magnificent sheet of water over seven miles in circumference. The accident would have been attended with more serious consequences but for the praiseworthy conduct of one of the men who were in the boat. It appears that four soldiers, belonging to the detachment of the regiment stationed at Ajmere had gone out on a boating excursion, and on their return towards the shore, owing to some mismanagement on their part, the boat capsized, and they were all thrown into the water. One of the men, an Irishman named Doran, immediately caught hold of one of his comrades, and swam with him to the shore, calling out to the others "to cheer up." Another man was seen perfectly exhausted struggling hard to reach land. This man also was assisted in by Doran, who then threw off his clothes, plunged again into the lake and swam out to the overturned boat in the hopes of rescuing the other poor fellow, who had been seen holding on to one end of the boat, but he was nowhere to be found. He was unable to swim, and it is supposed he was "sucked in" under the boat. Doran, after swimming about for some time, returned to the shore quite exhausted. The body of the drowned man was not recovered for several hours. In England such conduct as Doran's would have obtained for him a gratuity and a medal from the Humane Society.

ARMING THE POLICE.—According to the *Delhi Gazette*, the following are the numbers of fire-arms to be retained in each district of the Police Force N. W. P., as proposed by the Inspector General, and sanctioned by his Honour the Lieutenant-governor. Bareilly and Jhansie, 500 each; Moradabad and Futteghur, 301 each; Allypore, Muttra, Cawnpore, Ghazepore, Jaloun, and Humeerpore, 300 each; Saharunpore, Etawah, Mynpoorie, Banda, Mirzapore, and Azimgurh, 250 each; Shajehanpore and Moozuffernugger, 220 each; Bijour, Etah, Futtehpore, Jounpore and Budaon, 200 each; Boolundshuhur, 230; Meerut, 550; Dehra Doon, 125; Agra, 650; Allahabad, 611; Benares, 404; Goruckpore, 450; Lullutpore, 400; Ajmere Civil Police, 93; and Ajmere Military Police, 950. The surplus arms are either to be transferred to districts having a deficiency according to the above scale, or are to be made over to the Ordnance Department. Slowly, but not the less surely, the new police are taking the place of the old native army.—*Hurkaru.*

MILITARY ITEMS.—The 6th Regiment N.I., having marched into Barrackpore, Colonel Matthews assumed command at that station. The arrival of the 6th N.I. enables the Wing of the 38th Regiment N.I., at Barrackpore, to join its head quarters. Lieutenant Colonel G. Holroyd, second in command and Wing Officer 6th N.I., has been appointed to the command of the 24th Punjab Regiment of N.I. at Peshawur, during the absence of Major G. H. Cave on medical certificate, to England. The *Pioneer* of the 26th inst. says that cholera has broken out in H.M.'s 11th Regiment at Fyzabad, and that out of nine cases up to Sunday last, five had proved fatal. The troops were immediately ordered out into camp on the Lucknow-road.

A NEW COMPANY.—We are glad to learn that the deficiency as regards European artificers, to which we adverted in our leading columns some few days since, bids fair to be supplied. We learn that a scheme is on foot for establishing a joint stock company, for the purpose of undertaking the business of engineers and general contractors. The capital of the company is, we understand, to be raised in London, and the company, on a large scale, is to be carried on by a board in Calcutta.—*Hurkaru.*

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL AND THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF OUDH.—The *Bombay Gazette* says:—Mr. Wingfield applied for three months' privilege leave, and the Governor-General, in sanctioning it, has nominated Mr. Davies, the Financial Commissioner, to officiate as Chief Commissioner of Oudh. It is not stated who officiates as Financial Commissioner during Mr. Davies's incumbency of the higher office; probably Mr. Tucker, Commissioner of Khyrabad; but it is more probable that Mr. Davies will, as Mr. Wingfield did when the Judicial Commissioner went on six months' leave, discharge the duties of both his substantive and his officiating appointment. We are not informed at which of the sanitarium Mr. Wingfield will spend his leave, but he will show a very considerable amount of moral courage if he selects Simla, and goes into the immediate atmosphere of the Governor-General and members of Council. Sir John Lawrence has hitherto studiously avoided all personal contact with the Chief Commissioner; therefore, we think his presence would not be very welcome at Simla, or otherwise than embarrassing to himself. Indeed, this present state of antagonism between the supreme Government and the local Government of Oudh seems to us to be the precursor of serious evils in that province.

ACCIDENT TO CAPT. SMITH, 5TH LANCERS.—A letter from Lucknow, dated April 25, says:—A very serious accident occurred here last evening. Captain Smith, 5th Lancers, was pitched head foremost out of his mail phaeton, the horses, a fine pair of whalers, having become unmanageable and ran the vehicle with great force against the corner of a bridge near Wingfield-park. Afterwards they went off at full tear and came in contact with the parapet of another bridge near Huzrut Gunj, smashing the carriage and harness, and injuring themselves also, severely. It was fortunate that there was an absence of carriages at the time on the drive, or there is no saying what further mischief might have been done. Captain Smith was carried home insensible, but I have not heard how he is this morning.

SCANDAL.—The last piece of Calcutta gossip is to the effect that the recalcitration, or to speak more explicitly, the "jibbing," of a certain faithless lover, is likely to form the subject of discussion in the High Court. The fair forsaken resides, we are informed, within a hundred miles of the French settlement of C—, and the delinquent is the nephew of a baronet who has only just quitted an important post in the Indian Administration. Several well-known names occur in the narrative before us, and will, we have no doubt, create considerable interest in the result of the impending trial.—*Hurkaru.*

PROFICIENCY IN THE LANGUAGES.—The usual donation of 800 rupees has been made to each of the following junior civilians for having passed in two of the vernacular languages of India within six months from the date of their arrival in this country:—Messrs. Beacheroff, Manson, Gordon, Gardiner, Fryer and Thornburn. To Mr. Stogdon the Governor-general has also granted a donation of Rs. 800 for having passed in two languages within four months from the date of his arrival; also a gold medal for a certificate of high proficiency in the Urdu language.

DEATH OF MR. MCKILLIGIN.—It is with great regret that we have to record the death, after a short illness, of J. P. McKilligin, Esq., one of the oldest and most respected merchants. His death will be a great loss to the Landholders' and Commercial Association, and to the mercantile community generally.

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY.—We regret to hear that Mr. Lushington was detained at Delhi four days ago by illness, and that it was of such a nature that he could not be moved. We hope he is off by this time to enjoy the bracing air of the Hills.—*Hurkaru*, May 6.

THE LATE COLONEL PATRICK STEWART.—We learn from the *Englishman* that subscriptions are being raised to erect a monument, at Scutari, over the grave of the late Colonel Patrick Stewart, whose name, in connection with the Indo-European telegraphic line, will remain long in the remembrance of all of us. His burial place is thus described in a private letter from Constantinople:—"Nothing can be more beautiful, in respect of scenery or situation, than the spot. It is on the high, grassy bank of the Asiatic side of the Bosphorus, just at the entrance of the Straits, and commands a splendid view of the Sea of Marmora, Stamboul, and the Golden Horn."

FINANCE ACCOUNTS.—A general order notifies at length and in elaborate detail the following fundamental changes of system in the finance accounts proposed by the commissioners. 1st—The preparation of the finance accounts from audited receipts and charges, as recorded in the books. 2nd—The separation of cash from store accounts and of the accounts of the Civil Department, from those of the Military and Public Works Department. 3rd—The consolidation of these separate cash accounts by a central office, into a general account for India. 4th—The abolition of pre-audit, and the amalgamation of the offices of Deputy Auditor and Accountant General and Civil Pay Master. 5th—Unclassified treasury accounts."

MORE PRISONS.—The *Hurkaru* has heard that instructions have been issued by the Government of Bengal to the Public Works Department, to prepare plans of the proposed buildings for eight central prisons in the districts of Allypore, Hazareebaugh, Deegah, Dinagore, Burisaul, Chittagong, Assam, and Dacca, and also to the local officers to select eligible sites for the same. Each of those buildings is to be so constructed as to afford sufficient accommodation to 1,000 prisoners, allotting to each of them a space of 57 cubic feet, instead of 27 feet as is the case now. The buildings are to be erected with every regard to sanitation.

THE WIDOW OF THE NANA.—It is reported that Krishna Baie, the widow of the Nana Sahib, has asked for permission to be allowed to pass the remainder of her life at Benares. To this request no reply has been returned. Our readers will remember that when, a few months since, the widow of Bajee Rao preferred a similar petition, she was told there was no objection to her taking up her residence at Benares, provided it was understood she was to remain under surveillance.

TROUBLESOME NEIGHBOURS.—The *Englishman* says:—"We hear from Cachar that the Nagas are very troublesome again in Kerani; they have killed twenty-three villagers, and plundered and burnt several villages. We learn from Jynteah that a disturbance has broken out in Mowigaur. The subjects of the Rajah of that place have revolted against the Rajah, who has asked assistance from the British Government to check and punish them."

THE MISSION TO KHOKAN.—We are informed that the expedition, of which we wrote in this paper on the 11th and 12th inst., has been definitively abandoned, and the report reaches us from so many quarters that we must accept it as correct. It is stated that the Supreme Government are not favourably disposed towards it, nor do the Punjab Government think it good policy.—*Hurkaru*.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 21. War Eagle, Trincomallie; Colgrain, Mauritius; Seven, Galle; Vanguard, Liverpool; Shaw Allum, Bombay, &c.; Sapphire, Liverpool; Ammitta, London.—22. Governor Langdon, Singapore, &c.; T. E. Lemon, Liverpool; Cassandra, Middleborough.—23. Enterpe, Liverpool; Knight of Snowdon, Greenock, &c.—24. Sinilah, Liverpool; Roswell Sprague, Rio Janeiro; Saginaw, Akyab.—25. str. Nada, Bombay, &c.; Kit Carson, New York, &c.; Clytemnestra, Mauritius; Etna, Liverpool; Kennington, Penang; Christopher Hall, Akyab; Fulwood, Aden; Early Morn, Liverpool.—26.

Joven Louis, Port Blair; Forest Rights, Melbourne, &c.; Glenlee, Mauritius; William Burnley, —; Sir Hugh Rose, Bombay, &c.; Chincha, Colombo; Maritana, Liverpool; Maricita, Liverpool; Joshua, Mauritius; St. Marc, Bourbon; Trubulus Garb, —.—27. Dragon, London; Staffordshire, Liverpool; Shaw Callender, Cochin; Indian Merchant, Bombay, &c.; Hypatia, Colombo; Empress of India, Moulemin, &c.; Saladin, London; Clytie, Liverpool.—28. str. Nemesis, Suez, &c.; Henry Handley, Liverpool; Eastern Empire, Port Louis, &c.; Scotland, London; Thomas Brocklebank, Liverpool; Brierley Hill, Madras; James Guthrie, Boston, &c.—29. str. Busheer, Rangoon, &c.; Allahabad, Liverpool; Ababoy, Bombay.—30. Foi, France; str. Moulmein, Madras Coast; Ganges, Island of Reunion; Success, Bourbon.—May 1. Dashing Wave, Singapore; Queen of Beauty, —; Eureka, Colombo.—2. str. Clan Alpine, Hong Kong, &c.; City of Amoy, Clyde; Houghton, —; Dusty Miller, Mauritius.—3. Douglas Castle, —; Aboukir, Otago, &c.; Benares, Colombo; Prince Charlie, —.—4. str. John Bright, —; Bernicia, —.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per War Eagle.—Mrs. Mantle.
Per Saginaw.—Mrs. Tond, Mr. Wells.
Per Sir Hugh Rose.—Mr. and Mrs. Livingston and family.
Per Early Morn.—Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn.
Per Dragon.—R. Berkeley, R.A.; Lieut. Hussey, 20th Regt., J. Sheldon, E. C. Black, C. E. J. Wallace, J. Stocks, E. Coppinger, D. Hosack, W. Dawin.
Per Indian Merchant.—Mrs. H. H. Gibbs.
Per Rangoon.—Lieut. Wilson, Messrs. R. R. Dickinson, J. Watson, J. Harding.
Per str. Nemesis.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Maj. and Mrs. Marquis and two infants, Ensign W. F. Rudman, Miss C. Newton, Capt. Theobald, Mr. S. H. Lean, R. Rivers and wife, C. West, W. Hill, D. Macrae, C. S. Dreury, G. F. Bates, D. Boyd, W. Aldon, J. Barrie. From MARSHALLS.—Maj. Hallett, Mrs. J. Wells, Rev. C. Bannet, Capt. Larpet. From MALTA.—Capt. and Mrs. Young. From SUEZ.—Mr. A. T. Maclean, R. Webb. From MELBOURNE.—Mr. E. Nicholl. From BOMBAY.—Mr. J. Akman, Mr. J. L. Browne, Mr. and Mrs. Smallwood. From GALLE.—Mr. J. Balatynne, Mr. McKitchie. From MADRAS.—Maj. Baldwin, Mr. Lousada, Mr. C. R. G. Smith.

DEPARTURES.

April 21. Beatrice, Mauritius, &c.—23. Lady Melville, London; Bengal, Suez; Ophir, Mauritius.—24. str. Thunder, Straits, &c.; Moulmein, Madras Coast; Devonshire, London; P. C. Kinch, Madras.—25. str. Simla, Suez; Coringa, Rangoon, &c.; Water Witch, Straits, &c.; Ticonderoga, Hong Kong.—27. str. United Service, Singapore, &c.—28. str. Lightning, Singapore, &c.—29. Arundel Castle, London; Oriental, Straits, &c.—30. Bedfordshire, Bombay; Virginia, Trinidad.—May 1. Gladstone, Colombo.—2. str. Cashmere, Bombay, &c.; str. Cheduba, Akyab, &c.—4. str. Erymanthe, Suez.—6. Mail str. Bengal, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Coringa.—For RANGOON.—Col. Roe, Lieut. R. Barry.
By the Bengal River Steam Company's str. Success, which left Kooshtea for Gowlatty.—Mrs. Lockhart, Messrs. Cumming, Newington, Wilcox, Patten, Rozario, and Stephen.
Per str. Erymanthe.—Mr. Cadell, Mrs. Cadell and two children, Mr. F. C. Briant and three children, Mr. H. B. Goodall, Col. Stallard, Mr. T. Gillman, Mrs. James Young, Mrs. Stallard, Capt. Gendron, Lieut. T. B. Worgan, Lieut. A. A. Owen, Maj. Wardropper, Mrs. Wardropper and two children, Mr. Derussy, Mrs. Fraser, Miss Fraser, Capt. Orr, Master Orr, Mr. Symes, Mr. William, Mrs. Orr, Miss Symes, Mrs. Orr and three children, Mrs. Flutwood William and two children, Mrs. Ford, Mr. Coquebion, Mr. Eugene Roquerbe, Mr. C. Ferlong, Mr. James Edmund, Mr. John Forner, Mr. Davis, Madame Davis and child, Mr. Richard Darate, Mrs. William's child, Mrs. Crawford, Mr. A. Penier D'Auterive, Mrs. Guthrie and two children, Mons. Fichet.

COMMERCIAL.

Calcutta, May 5, 1865.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Rate of Interest.	Stock.	Selling Price.
4 per Cent., Sa.	Sa. Ra. 90	88 12 to 89 6
Do. Transfer Stock.	Sa. Ra. 91	—
4 per Cent.	Co's Ra. 91	89 8 to 91 0
5 per Cent. P.W.	Co's Ra. 101	8 8 to 3 10 pm.
5 per Cent.	Co's Ra. 102	102 8 to 102 14
5 per cent., 56-57.	Co's Ra. 109	101 8 to 101 12

EXCHANGE.

Local Bank Bills	at 6 months' sight	2 0 4
First Class Credit	at 6 months' sight	2 0 4
Bills with Docs.	at 6 months' sight	2 0 4
Bank Post Bills	at 1 months' sight	2 0 to 3 0 4

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Stock.	Paid-up.	Quoted at
Ra. each.	Ra.	Ra.
Agra and Masterman's Bank	500	1250 to 1260
Alliance Tea Company	85	10 to 12 pm.
Assam Tea Company	100	525 to 530
Balavun Tea Company	100	185 to 190
Bank of Bengal	1000	1785 to 1800
Do. Interest bearing	4000	7900 to 8200
Deerbhoom Coal Company	1000	840 to 845
Do.	200	Nom. to 175
Bengal Coal Company	1000	1100 to 1110
Bengal Printing Company	100	15 to 10 ds.
Bengal River Company	1000	650 to 660
Do.	500	337 to 340
Bengal Tea Company	100	165
Do. new paid-up	100	150 to 160
Bengal Oil Company	250	par Nominal
Bengal Credit Mobilier (Lim.)	100	50 to 55 pm.
Bishnauth Tea Company	200	252
Do. contributory	10	3 to 4 pm.

Bonded Warehouse Association	445	645 to 650
Borokai Tea Company (Limited)	25	par
British India Tea	80	par
Brunton's Press Company (Limited)	50	2 to 3 pm.
Hardwan Stone Company	100	75 to 80
Cachar and Assam Tea Company	200	185
Do. (Contributory)	115	15 to 16 ds.
Cachar Tea Company	600	700 to 710
Do.	450	50 to 55 pm.
Calcutta Docking Company	700	1350 to 1355
Calcutta Steam Tug Association	600	570 to 575
Calcutta and South Eastern Railway	63	63
Central Assam Tea Company	100	101
Central Cachar Tea Company	200	250 to 255
Do. new shares	200	260 to 263
Chatlawhar Tea Company	25	5 to 10 ds.
Commercial Transport Association	100	par
Dehra Doon Tea Company	100	90 to 92
Delhi Bank Corporation	500	710
Jool Teria Tea Company	100	96 to 97
Jooteria Tea Company (Limited)	100	96 to 97
Durrung Tea Company	45	5 ds.
E. B. Indigo Company	100	75 to 80
East India Coal Company	100	30 to 32
East India Railway Company	218	217 to 218
East India Tea Company	100	116 to 120
Do. contributory	80	12 to 13 pm.
Eastern Bengal Tea Company	50	55 to 56
Eastern Cachar Tea Company	100	125 to 130
Do. contributory	85	20 to 22 pm.
Eastern Bengal Railway Company	218	216 to 218
Eastern Steam Tug Company	1000	1150 to 1200
Eastman and Company	250	220 to 225
Equitable Coal Company	250	215 Nominal
Ganges Steam Navigation Company	500	Nominal
Great Eastern Hotel Company	250	250 to 255
Gola Ghaut Tea Company	250	365
Do. new shares	250	272 to 275
Goswary Cotton Mills	85	12 to 15 ds.
Hindustan, China, and Japan Bank	250	309
Hooghly Steam Tug Company	1000	1200
Hooghly Lighter Association	80	10 to 15 ds.
Hope Town Tea Association	100	105
Hope Town Equitable Tea Company	100	105
Howrah Docking Company	635	555
Hunter and Company	250	200 to 220
India General Steam Navigation Co.	1000	775 to 790
Jorhaut Tea Company	200	715 to 720
Kunchupore Tea Company	10-0	250
Do. contributory	125	20 to 25 pm.
Kurseong and Darjeeling Tea Co.	250	245 to 248
Do. contributory	125	3 to 5 ds.
Landing Shipping	100	20 to 25 ds.
Lehong and Minchow Tea Company	65	par to 5 pm.
Locty Cotton Screw Company	25	par
Lower Assam Tea Company	35	par
Luckimpore Tea Company	155	50 to 55 pm.
Moucherra Tea Company	60	par
Moran Tea Company (Limited)	70	13 to 14 pm.
Muttuck Tea Company	50	par
Mutual Tea Company	100	122
Do. contributory	70	16 to 18 pm.
National Bank of India (Limited)	250	320
New Fort Gloster Company	600	1400 to 1450
North-West Indigo Company	100	70 to 75
North-West Screwing Company	21	12 to 13
Oriental Gas Company	100	75 to 80
Propries Bank of India	100	400 to 450 pm.
Port Canning Land Company	100	120 to 123
Punjab Bank	75	10 pm.
Punjab Trading	100	100 dull
Punkabure Tea Company	37	par Nominal
Ranghur Tea Company	100	par
Do.	65	par
Royal Bank of India	200	143
R. Scott Thomson and Company	495	495
Screwing Company (Limited)	200	185
Sea Salt Company	80	par to 10 pm.
Seehsauror Tea Company	100	82
Simla Bank	500	650 to 655
Simla Club and N. W. Wine Company	90	par
Soom Tea Company	80	12 to 15 pm.
Soorispore Tea Company	1000	1500 to 1510
Do.	750	450 to 480 pm.
South Cachar Tea Company	100	78 to 80
Spence's Hotel Company	250	230
Strand Pressing Company (Limited)	624	9 to 10 pm.
Sylhet and Cachar Tea Company	200	165 to 170
Tirhoot Indigo	200	200 to 202
Tuckvar Tea Company	200	200 to 205
Do. contributory	70	par
Union Steam Tug Company	250	220 Nominal
Upper Assam Tea Company	1-0	180 to 183
Victoria Tea Company	250	235 to 240
Do. contributory	190	14 to 16 ds.

FREIGHTS.

	To London.	To Liverpool.
Saltpetre	21 0 0 to 0 0 0	Nominal.
Sugar	1 2 6 to 1 5 0	1 0 0 to 0 9 0
Rice	Nominal.	Nominal.
Seda	1 15 0 to 0 0 0	1 10 0 to 0 0 0
Jute	1 15 0 to 1 17 6	1 10 0 to 0 0 0
Cotton	2 0 0 to 2 5 0	2 5 0 to 2 10 0

MADRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE "FLAGRANT INSTANCE OF MILITARY DESPOTISM."—We have an instance of the persistency with which an object, of however questionable a nature, may be pursued at all hazards, in the article which appeared in the issue of the *Nagpore Chronicle* of the 28th April, on the fracas said to have occurred recently at the Kamptee staging bungalow. The writer of that article, in vindication of

the object of the small print in which it finds a place, to "desecrate all that's done (or supposed to be done), below the moon," makes indiscriminate use of truth and fiction, and lays Johnson largely under contribution for the harsher words in the English language. The facts of the staging bungalow affair are simply these:—On Sunday morning, the 16th April, Mr. Whiting, an officer of the Public Works Department, called upon the Cantonment Joint Magistrate and complained that two Europeans (tramps apparently) had taken possession of half the bungalow, had been debauching all night, and were, at the time of his visit, one of them furiously the other helplessly drunk; that they had been destroying the bungalow property, insulting the other occupants, and were, in short, riotous and disorderly. Mr. Whiting, who was in charge of the bungalow, did not know how to act in the matter, and, therefore, solicited the aid of the magistrate to have the unwelcome occupants removed. Inquiries made by the police confirmed Mr. Whiting's version of matters, and European soldiers were obtained to convey the men away to the cells, there being no lock-up for such delinquents except the main guard. So destructive were the "tramps" in their cups that the only things they could destroy in the cells were the pegs stuck in the walls of the building; for this they were made to pay two rupees by Colonel Plunkett, of the Royals. On the 17th the delinquents were put on trial, and admitting what they could not deny, were fined five rupees each, in default five days' imprisonment, the usual verdict in such cases. The note on which the *Chronicle* says the magistrate alone acted was merely a routine letter, handing over the prisoners from the adjutant of the day, and the case was tried under chapter 15 of the Criminal Procedure Code. The delay in the appearance of the magistrate at Court on the morning of the 17th was entirely owing to illness, and we confidently state that if that officer has no other qualification for his office he has the one quality of punctuality and despatch, and a thorough distaste for arrears of work. How different, our readers will be pleased to observe, are the facts of the case from the representations of the *Chronicle*.—*Central India Times*.

THE REV. J. RICHARDS.—The *Madras Times* says:—"There has been considerable commotion in the Senate of the Madras University on the subject of the Rev. J. Richards' address to the graduates at the late Convocation, at the conclusion of which he thought proper to allude to the Bible, recommended the graduates to study it, and, in effect, expressed his regret that it had not formed a portion of their study in the University. These sentiments were of course very honourable to Mr. Richards, both as a Christian minister and as a private individual, but coming from him as the mouth-piece of the Senate of a Secular University they were open to grave objections. Among those who supported Mr. Richards we understand there were the Commander-in-Chief, the Bishop, the Archdeacon, and the Domestic Chaplain."

WE are glad to hear that cholera is fast disappearing in Kamptee. Since the 1st of March there have been 400 cases, of which 165 have been fatal. Chicken-pox and measles are still prevalent.—*Central India Times*.

SHIPPING.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per P. and O. S. N. Co.'s str. *Golconda*.—For MADRAS.—Mr. and Mrs. Belli, three Misses Gabbett, Capt. Fowke, Mrs. Bean and infant, Capt. Carew, Mr. Mackenzie, Capt. Smith, Mr. Krauss. For GALLE.—Mr. and Mrs. Clarke, Mr. Kinchent, Capt. and Mrs. Boddam and three children, Mr. Le Mesurier, Mr. Dalziel, Mr. McKitchie, Capt. Carew, Mr. Powell. For BOMBAY.—Mr. and Mrs. Anderson and infant, Mr. Howes, Mr. C. Bonamsee. For SINGAPORE.—Mr. Tafe, Mrs. Bushell. For MELBOURNE.—Mr. Von Walstat and four children. For HONG KONG.—Mr. Mapplebeck. For SUZ.—Mr. Smith, Mr. G. Bright, Mr. H. Terry and infant.

Per Octavia.—Mrs. Barnett and two children, Mrs. White, Miss White, Miss A. White, Miss Kennan, Mrs. Bryant, Capt. Barnett, M.N.L., Lieut. Pulleyne, 18th Hussars, Cornet Fraser, 18th Hussars, Ensign Carey, 75th Regt., Mr. Wallis. Per str. Arabia.—From GALLE, for MADRAS.—Mr. Donnan, Mrs. Fulton, two infants, and servant, Mr. and Mrs. Kernick and servant, Mr. Mayne, Mr. and Mrs. Carr, Mr. Ritchie, and Mrs. Franklin and servant. For CALCUTTA.—Mr. White, Mr. MacArthur, Mr. Delpech, Mr. Magee, Mr. Pursick, and Mr. and Mrs. Chemier. Per str. India.—J. T. Lewis, Capt. Stedman, A. W. Capel, Esq., Colonel Anderson, Mr. Wilson, Lieut. Atkinson, Mr. Murphy, R. C. Master, Esq., Mr. and Mrs. Hodgson, Mrs. Hamilton, six Europeans, and twenty-six natives, deck. For NGAPATAM.—Three natives. For COLOMBO.—Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, and Mrs. Collet. For TUTICORIN.—Two natives. For BOMBAY.—Mr. Stinger, Mrs. Horbitt, Mr. Boquet. Per P. and O. S. N. Co.'s steam ship *Nemesis*.—From SUZ, for MADRAS.—Miss Wolferston, Miss Gootan, Mr. and Mrs. Puckle, Mrs. Heath and infant, Mr. R. N. McKenzie, Mr. A. B. Alston, H. Hills, H. J. Lawrence, Mrs. Barters and native female servant, Mr. N. Denison, Capt. Grant, Capt. and Mrs. Dunbar, and Mr. Mosaley. For CALCUTTA.—Major and Mrs. Marquis, two infants, and European female servants, Ensign W. F. Rudener, Miss Newton, Capt. Theobald, Mr. S. H. Leen, R. Rivers and wife, Rev. Moore's ayah, Mr. J. Coyris' ayah, C. West, W. Hill, D. McKee, C. Dreury, G. F. Bates, D. Boyd, Waddan, J. Bailie, Major Hallett, Mr. Wells, Rev. C. Bunsett, Capt. Jarpeart, Capt. and Mrs. Young, Mr. A. T. Maclean, R. Webb, Mr. Nicol, Mr. and Mrs. Sanallwood, Mr. Aikman, Mr. Browne, Mr. Balantyne, Mr. and Mrs. Ritchie.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. S. N. Co.'s str. *Golconda*, to Suze.—For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mrs. Bean and infant, Col. and Mrs. O'Connell and two children, Mr. H. O'Connell, G. Combs, Esq., Mrs. Stanley, C. Kennedy, Esq., T. E. Franck, Esq., Mrs. Franck and two children, Maj. gen. W. A. and Mrs. McCleverty, two Misses McCleverty and two children, Miss Scheer, Col. and Mrs. Campbell and three children, Mrs. Forbes, Mrs. C. Hooper. For MARSEILLES.—Mrs. and Miss Ewhank and child. For SUZ.—Mr. Gung. For KING GEORGE'S SOUND.—Capt. G. B. Bowen. For SINGAPORE.—Lieut. Col. Grant. For POINT DE GALLE.—Mr. Forbes, Capt. Irving, Messrs. R. D. Wright, Nelson, and Miller. For BOMBAY.—C. J. Briston, Esq. Per P. and O. S. N. Co.'s str. *Nemesis*.—Maj. Baldwin, Mr. Larsada, C. H. G. Smith, Esq.

BOMBAY.

THE FATAL MARCH.

We (*Times of India*) have received the following particulars in reference to the outbreak of cholera in the detachment of Artillery leaving Mhow:—

It appears that the presence of cholera along the route to Nargaum was represented to the authorities at head-quarters by the telegraph. This removes the blame from the Mhow Staff. The epidemic was both sudden and severe; and, as far as we can learn, no preparations had been made to meet it. Even if the march were necessary, it would surely have been advisable to have had a suitable medical staff and a store of medicines. We are informed that such was not the case. Assistance and medicines were applied for after the outbreak of the disease.

Again, being within a short distance of the Nurbudda river, efforts should have been made to cross it, experience having frequently shown good results from such a proceeding. The order to return through the infected districts is reported as most unwise, and only another instance of fatal error. One poor man on passing the grave of his wife, buried so recently, became insane with grief, and the depression to the whole detachment was much increased.

We hear the most favourable accounts of the praiseworthy and noble behaviour of the young officer in command of the party. It is said his conduct and energetic work was everywhere remarked, and that great benefit was derived from his presence and continual association with the men. We hear with pleasure that his name is to be brought before the authorities, and we feel sure that moral courage and fortitude in such a time, and when alone and unaided, must be entitled to some special notice. Without the excitement of battle and the applauding presence of friends, to go about amongst the dead and dying is a true piece of bravery.

At one time it was hardly expected to have saved the detachment at all. Seven were buried in one grave, and it was hard to say who was to go next. Amidst the worst the sergeant major worked vigorously, and exhaustion consequent on such extreme labour made

him fall an easy victim. He was highly respected, and considered a first-rate officer.

A letter from a correspondent appears below, drawing attention to the fearful consequences which had resulted from marching a detachment of artillery from Mhow to Nargaum. Some further particulars that we have received are so startling and grievous that we cannot with justice withhold them from public consideration. It has always been understood that the movements of troops in India, unless under the pressing emergency of war or political interests, should be effected in the cool months; and most people have supposed that distinct orders existed, forbidding soldiers from being marched at this season of the year. It appears that this has been a mistake; but in presence of the disaster to which we refer it may be permitted us very earnestly to urge upon the authorities the necessity there is for some such standing regulations. It is amazing how such an order as the one to which this calamity must be ascribed could have been issued. Two years ago the regiment of the 4th Rifles, now stationed amongst us, came down from Mhow along the same road, which has proved so fatal now. That march took place at this time of year, or even earlier, and those troops suffered severely from cholera. The 15th Regiment N.I., who were to relieve them, went up that road, and they were also attacked by the epidemic. This year cholera cases had previously occurred as results of travelling in those districts; and, as we are informed, the presence of cholera along that route was officially notified to the authorities previous to the march of the Artillery detachment. Ignorance of the danger cannot therefore be admitted; and the general feeling of surprise and regret is thereby much increased. Mhow has already occupied a prominent position in the world. Sensational trials, courts-martial, and fiercest quarrels seem to have their home there, and now the dark catalogue must surely be completed.

The papers both at home and abroad teemed for months with the "Crawley case." Anathemas and invocations were heard in all classes of society against a single supposed fatality arising from military tyranny. What will be said now in England, when the outgoing mail takes news of this disaster without any official explanation to break the force of the melancholy facts? Some thirty poor creatures lie buried in the jungle near Mhow, whose deaths, so far as now appears, are traceable either to careless arrangements or wilful mismanagement. Some one must be held responsible for having issued an order to march through a deadly jungle during the month of April. If the confinement of a sergeant in barrack quarters was spoken of as equivalent to homicide, what can we say of such a march as the one now to be lamented? No doubt the blame is to be attached somewhere, but we doubt if the mere discovery of the culprit is sufficient. Matters must be carried further, in order to prevent future mischance; and the responsibility must be so distinct that any officer who exposes men to needless danger must know that he thereby risks his commission and right to command. It has long been suspected, from the way in which the annual reliefs and transit arrangements for troops have been conducted, that some screw was loose; but few persons expected that such a fearful catastrophe would be invited by deference to formal orders.

There is little wonder that our recruiting system is found to be a failure. It is not much to be expected that men will enter a service where their very lives seem not to be respected, where the mere whim or caprice of an officer hundreds of miles away may cause the forfeit of the lives of a company. They are not likely to care to serve a Government which, without reason or necessity, may place them in the most imminent danger. A soldier must obey a command; but he must have confidence that the commands will be reasonable. We

wait for the investigation which must take place; the future welfare of the army demands it; pity for the dead, and sympathy with the survivors, require from the authorities a full and public explanation. The army may rest assured that the matter will not be left to the Indian authorities. Some one at home interested in the welfare of the soldier will surely question the Government and obtain a satisfactory reply to what appears, with our present information, one of the most serious and needless blunders that it has ever been our lot to chronicle. Of one thing we must feel certain. There must be no more marching through the jungle during the hot season. Nothing but exigencies of the most important nature should ever be allowed to interfere with restrictions and orders designed to secure the welfare and lives of our soldiers and officers. We trust that if new regulations be needed to prevent such a catastrophe in future, that they will be prepared at once whilst the present lesson is being impressed on the public mind.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "TIMES OF INDIA."

SIR,—Several inaccuracies having appeared in your issue of the 29th ult., concerning the "fatal march from Mhow," it will, perhaps, be as well to acquaint the public with the real facts of the case.

The detachment arrived at Bulwara, three marches from Mhow, on the 15th ult., and the men were then apparently in excellent health and spirits. On that day two cases occurred, one of which proved fatal after a few hours. The next morning the detachment marched to Burwai; one death took place, and another was attacked on the road. The heat in the tents having been found excessive the previous day, the men were placed in the large buildings of the Burwai iron-works, a detached building being set apart for the hospital. Several cases were, however, admitted into the hospital, two or three of which proved fatal, and some five-and-twenty more were treated for diarrhoea. During the night admissions and deaths were numerous. Next morning the men were moved into tents under a top of trees only two miles off, only the sick being kept in the buildings. On this day three men, one child, and two camp followers died. The same evening the women and children were started off to Sinawud, a village about four miles south of the Nurbudda, and the detachment followed during the night, arriving at day-break on the 18th. Here it was joined by a second medical officer and apothecary, sent from Mhow. The attacks at this place were more numerous than ever; seven men and three children died; and with few exceptions the whole detachment suffered from diarrhoea. Discretionary powers having been given by the General Commanding at Mhow, it was determined to return to the top of the ghauts, and from the time of the promulgation of this order the spirits of all ranks rose. Arrangements were at once made for procuring carts for all the men, but owing to the apathy and indifference of Holkar's officials at Sinawud, the men were obliged to go on foot back to Burwai (in British territory), at which place a sufficient number of covered carts were immediately forthcoming. In these the men were carried back to the foot of the ghauts, where they rested during the heat of the day on the 19th, very few being admitted into hospital. The return march was resumed the same evening, and the next morning the detachment arrived at Hursora, a village about three miles from Mhow, at which place the Mhow authorities had made every arrangement for their reception, fresh tents having been pitched and everything necessary supplied. Four died during this last march, but I believe no deaths have since occurred. The man you mention as having become insane on passing the grave of his wife died of sunstroke. The total number of deaths for which "somebody" is responsible is twenty-one men, one woman, and four children, out of some one hundred and twenty souls.

There is every reason to believe that the Mhow authorities are blameless of this deplorable and wanton sacrifice of life, and we must look to the cool and comfortable quarters of Mahableshwur (where cholera is unknown and heat unfelt) for the real authors of this horrible tragedy. I trust that this matter will not be dropped, or allowed to be hushed up, but that a searching enquiry will hold up to public gaze the man, or men, who are so culpably neglectful of the lives of British soldiers. X.

May 1, 1865.

P. S.—I have since heard that the medical authorities at Mhow are to blame, as the stores of medicine sent proved insufficient, and the medical officer originally sent in charge was himself an invalid.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE SECOND MHOW SCANDAL.—The *Pioneer*, after narrating the circumstances of the quarrel between Lieut. Col. Stanley, of the 15th Bombay N.I., and Capt. Bushe, of the same regiment, as given in our last number, remarks as follows:—A court of inquiry followed, and it was abundantly proved that Lieutenant-Colonel Stanley did use most ungentlemanly language to Captain Bushe on parade, and that he did ride down on a sepoy with drawn sword and seriously wound him. The sepoy had fainted a few minutes after receiving the thrust, and was carried to the hospital with a hole in his body. With his illness and eventual recovery we have nothing to do at present, but again we cannot help admiring the excellent management of things at Mhow. Here was a wounded man brought insensible to the hospital, and reported to have been cut down by his Colonel on parade; yet no report of the matter got abroad to disturb the equable breast of the officer in command. Nor do we wish to enter into the filthy language which Colonel Stanley is proved to have used alike to his officers and to his men. What we chiefly admire is the circumstances that, after Colonel Stanley had denied both the imputations of Captain Bushe, and after the truth of both these imputations had been established before the court, Colonel Stanley should still be considered a proper person to command the 15th N.I., and that Captain Bushe should still be considered a person deserving to be kept under arrest.

WILD BEASTS AT BOMBAY.—The *Gazette* says:—A full-grown panther was seen on the Matheran Ghaut on Tuesday evening. It crossed the public road about half a mile on the Narel side of the toll-house, and disappeared in the jungle. That wild beasts are prowling about these ghauts is apparent from the number of sheep and other animals the villagers are daily losing. A few evenings since a gentleman was proceeding in a palkee from one bungalow to another, when the cry of "bagh" was raised, and for one hour and a half neither threats nor bribes would induce the wallahs to budge an inch. A rather uncommon consignment of live stock—if that name may be allowed—was brought down from the interior by the train, reaching Bombay on Monday morning, 8th inst. at 7-15. It consisted of two tigers, one cheeta, one lynx, and one bear, all said to be splendid specimens. The carriage truck in which they were conveyed contained three cages of half-inch iron bars, and in these the animals were imprisoned. They were sent by Mr. Ashburner, Khandeish Collectorate, and were consigned to the care of Messrs. Forbes and Co., for transmission to Europe.

A NEW HOTEL.—There is now every probability of Bombay being supplied with a first-rate hotel, the Western India Hotel Company having, at a recent meeting of its shareholders, determined to go on with their original undertaking, Government having offered them a site for the same on liberal terms.

A CHANGE FOR THE BETTER.—The Bombay of to-day is a different place to that of twelve or even six months ago; but matters have culminated to a point, and a change is coming over the "spirit of the dream." The fall in the price of cotton and the collapse of the share market are bringing about a state of things most desirable to see. Bungalows, offices and godowns are now freely advertised "to let," of course at rents out of all proportion to their actual value; but the measure is not yet full, nor is the Elphinstone Circle finished, nor indeed many other new buildings in course of erection. When they are, great will be the fall in the exorbitant rents now demanded. Horses and carriages are coming down rapidly. Labour is nearly as scarce as ever, but bank and financial amalgamations, and the shutting up of the various reclamation schemes on the advent of the monsoon, will no doubt materially mitigate this evil also.—*Gazette*.

DISGRACEFUL CONDUCT.—A letter from Sukkur received from a well-authenticated source, mentions some shameful proceedings on the part of certain individuals holding her Majesty's commission, during a few days stay in that station. They occupied premises situated in the midst of the private residences of several respectable families, and amused themselves openly with dancing-girls, and other women of loose character. When deserted by these persons, these young men, in a state of comparative nudity, stared with opera-glasses into the adjacent houses, at the windows of which no lady could present herself without being insulted by indecent signs and gestures. The residents in the neighbourhood are justly indignant at such disgraceful conduct; but they have the remedy in their own hands. Let them hand up the names of the offenders to higher authority. Redress is sure to follow.—*Scindian*.

OFFICIAL CHANGES.—In consequence of the retirement from the service of the Hon. H. L. Anderson, Mr. Chapman will, we understand, be confirmed in his appointment as Chief Secretary to Government, and Mr. Gonne will be confirmed in his appointment as Secretary to Government in the Political and Judicial Departments.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 28. Pearl of India, O-born, Liverpool.—39. str. Mula, Bland, Calcutta; Clamenden, Gilheer, Liverpool.—30. Galloway, Clager, Shields.—May 1. Evelyn, Boag, London; Baronet's Family, Richmond, Zanzibar; Eric, McKenzie, London; Ceylon, Gruchy, Mauritius; Princess Alexandra, Stapleton, Liverpool; West Riding, Gordon, Liverpool.—2. Ellen Louise Gee, Burshe.—3. Z. oaster Galloway, London.—4. Matheran, Henry, Liverpool; India, Ekdahl, Stockholm; Tulsman, Whiteway, Liverpool.—5. Travancore, Darkee, Liverpool; Wabeno, McFlin, Liverpool.—6. Missonri, Calhoun, Liverpool; G. Hart, Hubert, Mauritius; Peri, Edwards, Liverpool; Pearl, Browne, Calcutta; Cambay, Jackson, Liverpool; str. Hugh Rose, White, Muscat.—7. A-saye, Jon's, Mauritius; Bristolian, Keats, London; str. Benares, Tomlin, Hong Kong.—8. Princess Royal, Stevenson, Calcutta; Vancouver, McLay, Liverpool; Agamemnon, Miller, London; Fort William, Castle, Calcutta.—9. Jehangir, McDermot, Mauritius; Victoria Cross, Cowley, Liverpool; Dharwar, Campbell, Liverpool.—10. Jewess, Stevens, Rangoon.—11. Lady Amherst Phillips Zanzibar; Sea Queen, Davies, Liverpool; str. Rangoon, Grainger, Suva.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Evelyn.—Ens. M. Mant, 33rd Foot, Dr. and Mrs. Meiklejohn and child.
Per Zoroaster.—Lieut. S. M. Hay, late 51st B.N.I., Mr. C. J. Fleming, Mr. G. Johnson.
Per P. and O. Co.'s str. Rangoon.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. Silk, Mrs. Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. Ord, Mr. Milne, Mr. Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Kipling, Mr. Hartley, Mr. Forster, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Butterford, Miss Griffin, Mr. Conolly, Mr. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Critchett, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Helm, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Birkin, Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Green, Mr. Kernes, Mr. Kay, Mrs. Curlew, Mr. Thirk, Mr. Graves, Capt. Playfair, Mr. Bland, Mr. Rindell, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Watkins. From GIBRALTAR.—Mr. and Mrs. Garcia. From MALTA.—Ens. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Hay. From MARSEILLES.—Mr. Napier, Mr. Scott, Mr. Anthony, Mr. Peille, Mr. Thorburn, Mr. Macbrann, Mr. Overstone, Maj. Walcott, Mr. Sewell, Mr. and Mrs. Fulcher, Mr. Bevan, Mr. Dunolly, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Seed, Mr. and Mrs. Glover.

DEPARTURES.

April 28. P. F. William, Campbell, Calicut; Themis, W. Ham, Moulmein.—29. Orissa (s.), Curling, Aden and Suez; Ellen Bates, Logan, Liverpool; Bates Family, Hogg, Liverpool; Regina, Brown, Mauritius; Favorite Gardiner, Singa-

pore.—May 1. Princess Royal, Watson, Liverpool; Cheshire, Worsley, Liverpool; Compeer, Black, Liverpool.—2, Albert Victor, Overbury, Liverpool; Matilda, Stevenson, Liverpool; Alexander Baring, Henderson, Moulmein; East, Callender, Moulmein.—3, Annot Lyle, Shaw, Liverpool.—4, British India, Patching, Liverpool.—5, Anna, Hugson, Calcutta.—6, Algiers, Miller, Liverpool; Elizabeth Fry, Wemyss, Liverpool; Stidart, Wilson, Liverpool; Radnagore, Cook, Liverpool; Edmond Wulfram, Rawlin, Bourdeaux.—8, India, Stewart, Liverpool; Zenobia, Hays, Calcutta.—9, Golden City, Martin, London; Freuchman, Galloway, Liverpool.—10, Wayfarer, Partidge, Liverpool; Princess Somawuty, Parker, Aden and Jiddat, Koina (s), Trott, Aden Suez.—11, June Jack Mitchell, Barclay, Liverpool.—12, Oneiza, Spurr, Liverpool; Maharratta, Hickman, Havre.—13, P. and O. (s) Barodia, Haseiwood, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. Co's str. Barodia.—For Suez.—Mr. W. J. M. Slenator, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and two children, Mr. T. B. Sauquet, Mrs. Coxon, Mr. Hahn, Mrs. Goldstein, Mr. W. Nulius, Mr. Thorowwaite, Mr. and Mrs. Morris and infant, Mr. M. J. S. Stewart, Col. Worgan, Mr. R. C. Stovin, Mr. R. McLellan, Maj. Younghusband, Mr. W. A. Goldfinch, Mrs. R. Stern, Mr. L. Rosenhal, Mr. Sheppard, Mr. McKay, Mr. For Marseilles.—Mr. Lane, Lieut. Col. Wallace, Messrs. M. Kempson, Elphinstone, J. J. Crotazzi, J. Fleming, P. F. Arbuthnot, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker and infant, Mr. T. M. Foy, Mr. Hart, Capt. and Mrs. Hayman, Messrs. Dodds, C. A. Elliot, T. E. O'Brien, N. Parker, Mrs. Marshall and infant, Messrs. Thorpe, J. D. Sybrandt, W. Nicol, C. B. Ker, H. Webb, Mazby, Mr. and Mrs. Dyer, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Strong, Capt. Glaspool, Messrs. B. Howes, Grant, Malcolmson, Wright. For Southampton.—Mrs. Walshe and two children, Capt. and Mrs. Merriman and four children, Lieut. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Souter and two children, Mrs. Walter and three children, Mr. Mann, Mr. and Mrs. R. Claugston, Mr. J. E. Bell, Mrs. Morris and infant, Mrs. Beeve, Mrs. Cotterell, Lieut. W. D. Hill, Messrs. A. Sawyer, J. Pacy, R. Sibbald, J. Johnson, J. Rowland, B. Little, W. Cooper, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Muirhead and two children, Mr. C. Hallums, Mr. T. Nicolson, Mrs. Cox and infant, Mr. W. Bishop, Mr. R. Blaney, Mr. and Mrs. Colish and two children, Lieut. Wallace, R.A., Mr. T. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Windsor and child, Mr. and Mrs. Burnell and two children, Messrs. Shackleton, Parkes, J. Waite, McKenzie, R. J. Cook, Stokes, Capt. J. Coleman, Capt. McNeil, Mr. T. Dooley, Mr. W. J. Bradbury, Mrs. Wolff and child, Mr. T. Deering and two children, T. Brett, J. Fishman.

Per B. and B. S. S. Co's str. Koina.—The Rev. E. N. Dickenson, Dr. Lidderdale, Lieut. Law, Capt. Shaw, Mr. Fleming, Dr. and Mrs. Cameron and infant, Mrs. Speedy and two children, Mrs. Bright and three children, Mr. Henry Hall, Mrs. Needham, Mr. Windle, Mr. Krueger.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, May 13, 1865.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks—at	
6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s. 3d.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 3d. Cred. Bills.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 1 1/2d. Docts.	
On Calcutta, at sight, per 100	101 1/2
Ditto at 30 days' ditto	100 1/2
Ditto at 60 days' ditto	99 1/2
On Madras, at 30 days' ditto	100
On China, at 60 days' ditto	Rs. 220 per 100 dols.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES

Agra Bank (Rs. 500)	150 pr. cent pm.
Asiatic Bank	40
Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000)	55 do.
Bank of India (Rs. 25)	36 pm.
Broker's Banking Co. (Rs. 20)	12 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 250)	120 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200)	100 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500)	60 do.
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200)	100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 20)	83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 250)	80 do. inc. n.sh.
Orient Bank Corporation (Rs. 250)	170 pm.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25)	28 do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000)	75 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000)	par
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 3,700)	Rs. 6,000 p.sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667)	Rs. 14,500 p.sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co.—	
(A) share (Rs. 6,000)	3600
(B) share (Rs. 6,000)	Rs. 1,200 pm.
Frere Press Co. (Rs. 250)	1500 dis.
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	25 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,200)	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Great Indian Peninsula Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 218-3-0)	5 per cent. dis.
Ditto, New £20 Shares (Rs. 87-4-4)	Rs. 5 do. dis.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Co. (Rs. 1,000)	par.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 600 prem.
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company (Rs. 1,100)	Rs. 100 prem.
Manockjee Pitty's Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 500)	Rs. 25 prem.
House and Land Investment Co. (Rs. 200)	Rs. 400
Bombay Shipping Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 3,000
Iron Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 700 dis.
Oriental Ship Owning Association (Rs. 250)	Rs. 25 pm.
Prince of Wales Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 300 dis.
Western India Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 250
Hydraulic Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 3,200 p.sh.
Coorla Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 500 prem.
Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 500 prem.
Colaba Land Co. (Rs. 10,000)	Rs. 90,000 pr.sh.
Bonded Warehouse Co. (Rs. 400)	Rs. par
Back Bay Reclamation Co., Rs. 6,000 paid-up	21,000 pm.

FREIGHTS.

To London—Cotton, nominal; Seeds, 21. 7s. 6d. to 21. 10s.
To Liverpool—Cotton, 21. 0s. 0d. to 21. 15s. 0d.; Seeds, 20. 15s. 0d. to 20. 17s. 0d.



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Fort William, April 15.—No. 398.—The admission of Lieut. N. J. Jones, of the late 15th N.I., qr. mr., 2nd Punjab inf., to the staff corps, announced in G.G.O. No. 128 of Feb. 3, 1865, is cancelled, the application for his admission to the corps having been forwarded under a misapprehension.

April 17.—No. 399.—The underment. officer has reported his return from England:—

Lieut. W. Battye, of the late 6th Eur. regt., wing officer, corps of guides, date of arrival at Fort William, April 10, 1865.

No. 402.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave of abs. on m.c.:—

Lieut. Col. E. J. Simpson, of the Bengal inf., offg. dep. comy. gen. Central Circle, Lucknow, for 20 mos., under the new regs.

LEAVE REGULATIONS AMENDED.

No. 403.—With reference to the G.G.O. dated March 20, 1857, and dated March 27, 1857, H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to notify that the existing rule, under which an officer cannot be absent on priv. leave on Jan. 1, is abolished, and that all that will be required is that no officer be allowed priv. leave for more than 60 days at one time, or more than 60 days altogether between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31 of each year.

No. 404.—H.E. the Gov. gen. is pleased to make the following appointment on his personal staff:—

Capt. (Brev. Lieut. col.) S. J. Blane, 52nd L.I., aide-de-camp to the Viceroy, to be military sec. and aide-de-camp, v. Capt. E. C. Impey, of the staff corps, with effect from date on which he may relieve Capt. Impey.

PRIZE MONEY OF DECEASED OFFICERS.

No. 405.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to notify, under instructions from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, that in all cases where the prize money of a deceased officer or soldier has been paid over to the commissioners of Chelsea Hospital, claimants for the same should prefer their claims direct to that estab., transmitting, at the same time, such documents as may evidence the correctness of their claims.

PAYMASTERS' LEAVE.

No. 406.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to notify, under instructions from the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India, that when paymasters of British regts. serving in India return to England on urgent private affairs or otherwise, they will be entitled to pay during six months only of their actual leave in that country, irrespective of the periods employed in passage, provided the officers travel overland; and further, that in the case of paymasters receiving leave of absence from India on the recommendation of a medical board, their pay will cease when they shall have been in England for a period of 12 mo.

No. 407.—To Europe on leave on m.c.:—Lieut. col. (brevet col.) F. W. Burroughs, of the Bengal inf., for 20 mo., under new regs.

Lieut. C. A. De Kantzow, of the Bengal staff corps, asst. comr., Punjab, for 20 mo., under the new regs.

No. 409.—Prom.:—Dep. insp. gen. of hospitals A. H. Cheke, with temp. rank, to be dep. insp. gen. of hospitals, v. R. B. Kinsey, dec.

No. 410.—The services of the underment. officers are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept.:—

Lieut. C. H. T. Marshall, of the 37th regt. N.I.

Lieut. F. G. Hearn, adjt., 17th regt. N.I.

No. 412.—The services of the underment. officers are placed at the disposal of the public works dept.:—

Lieut. W. J. Engledue, of the R.E.

Lieut. J. H. Smith, of the R.E.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. 413.—The foll. proms. are made in the warrant grades from the dates specified, to fill vacancies:—

To be Dep. Commissary.—Asst. comy. F. Rose, April 1.

To be Assistant Commissaries.

Dep. asst. comy. A. O'Berne, March 15, 1864.

Dep. asst. comy. E. Gillis, April 1.

To be Dep. Asst. Commissaries.—Conductors J. McArthur, March 15; D. Oliver, March 2; and T. Marten, April 1.

To be Conductors.—Sub conductors E. Sparling, March 2; and H. E. Mitchell, April 1.

No. 416.—The Right Hon. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to appt. Capt. J. I. Robinson, of the 5th Eur. L.C., doing duty officer, stud dept., to the charge of the ordnance cattle farm, Hissar, v. Mr. J. Taylor, dec.

No. 418.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on leave of abs. on m.c.

Asst. surg. T. Duka, m.d., of the med. dept., for 20 mo., under the new regs.

No. 419.—Lieut. col. A. C. Plowden, of the Bengal staff corps, who was apptd. in G.G.O. No. 914 of 1864 a 1st class asst. in the stud dept., subject to passing the tests laid down in G.G.O. No. 531 of 1864, having passed those tests, is confirmed in that appt.

No. 420.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe on leave of abs. on m.c.:—

Lieut. col. (brev. col.) J. Liptrap, of the Bengal inf., for 20 mos., under the old regs.

No. 421.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe:—

Lieut. M. G. Clerk, of the late 4th Eur. regt., assist. engr., dept. public works, Punjab, for 6 mos., without pay.

No. 422.—Under the authority of the rt. hon. the Sec. of State for India, H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to direct that in future free rations shall be allowed to the families of trained schoolmasters of all classes, full rations to the wives and half rations to the children, instead of subsistence allowance authorized in G.G.O. No. 367, dated April 1861.

PUNJAB IRREGULAR FORCE.

1st Infantry.—Lieut. J. M. Tulloch, of the Gen. List, inf., doing duty with the 41st N.I., to officiate as doing duty officer during the abs. of Lieut. T. T. Oliphant, or until further orders.

No. 423.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appointment:—

April 26.—No. 128.—Capt. A. H. Millett, dist. supt. of police, East Berar, to officiate as insp. gen. of police in the Hyderabad assigned districts, during the absence, on sick leave, of Maj. Younghusband, or until further orders.

THE COUNCIL.

April 27.—No. 118.—A vacancy having occurred in the office of one of the ordinary members of the Council of the Gov. Gen. of India by the resignation of the Hon. H. B. Harington, and no person provisionally appointed to succeed to the office of ordinary member of the Council of the Gov. Gen. being present on the spot, H.E. the Viceroy and Gov. Gen. of India in Council has been pleased, under the provisions of the Act XXIV. and XXV. Vic., cap. 67, to appoint Col. H. M. Durand, c.b., of H.M.'s military service, to be a temp. ordinary member of the said Council, and the said Col. H. M. Durand has accordingly this day taken the oaths and his seat in the said Council under the usual salute.

By order of the Gov. Gen. in Council.

No. 218.—Mr. H. G. Ross officd. as city magis. of Lucknow from March 10 to the 12th inst., v. Major Chamberlain, proc. on leave.

Major A. E. Wilkinson, apptd. to offic. as city magis., Lucknow, by G.O. No. 3,219, dated 1st inst., received charge of the office from Mr. H. G. Ross, C.S., asst. comsgr., on the 12th inst.

April 26.—No. 180.—Erratum.—In notification No. 112, dated 8th March last, for "Captain J. J. Fulton," read "Major J. J. Fulton."

No. 894.—Major W. G. Cumming, Bheel agent and political asst. and comdt. of the Malwa Bheel corps, returned from the leave granted to him in G.O. No. 495, dated March 2, and resumed charge of his duties on March 31.

April 27.—No. 328.—The Hon. W. Muir, C.S., to be Secy. to the Govt. of India in the foreign dept., subject to confirmation by H.M.'s Secy. of State for India of the temp. appt. of Col. H. M. Durand, c.b., to be an ordinary member of the council of the Gov. gen.

Mr. Muir assumed charge of the office on the forenoon of this date.

April 28.—No. 329.—Lieut. R. G. Watson, Bombay staff corps, and second secretary to H.M.'s Legation in Persia, is granted priv. leave of absence for 3 months from July 7 next, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it.

No. 331.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to accept the resignation by Capt. H. F. Bolton, of the Bombay staff corps, of his appt. as assist. comsr. in the Central Provs., from May 10 next. Captain Bolton's services are replaced at the disposal of the military department from the above date.

No. 334.—Lieut. W. Vertue, offic. assist. dist. superint. of police, Central Provs., is appointed, as a temp. arrangement, to be an assist. comsr. in those provinces.

Simla, April 28.—No. 427.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Lieut. R. F. Lewis, of the royal artillery, to the Hazara Mountain Train battery, Punjab irregular force, to do duty, in order to qualify himself for admission to the staff corps.

No. 428.—Appointment:—Capt. A. C. Bruce, offic. dep. assist. qmr. gen., to be a dep. assist. qmr. gen., v. Lieut. col. D. C. Shute, whose term of staff service has expired.

Simla, April 7.—No. 67.—The Right Hon. the Gov. Gen. in Council is pleased to attach Messrs. G. J. B. T. Dalton and J. R. Hallett, of the Civil Service, reported qualified for the public service, to the Bengal div. of the presidency of Fort William.

April 17.—No. 68.—Messrs. F. P. Beachcroft, H. W. Gordon, A. Manson, J. W. Gardiner, S. S. Thorburn, and F. W. R. Fryer, junior civil servs., having passed in two languages within the prescribed period after their arrival, have been presented each with the authorised donation of Rs. 800.

No. 69.—Mr. A. W. Stogdon, a junior civil servant, having passed in two languages in 4 mo., and with marked proficiency in Urdu, has been presented with the authorised donation of Rs. 800 and a gold medal of merit.

No. 70.—Capt. G. F. Wells is app. master attendant at Bassein, from March 16, on which date he received charge of the office from Lieut. T. W. Philbrick late Indian navy.

No. 71.—The Gov. Gen. in Council is pleased to grant to the Rev. J. Robinson, chaplain of Chunar, a furl. for a period of 18 mo. from the date on which he may avail himself thereof.

No. 72.—Lieut. Q. S. A. Jamieson, 27th regt. Madras N.I., app. to offic. as assist. supt. of police, British Burmah, by notification No. 1,508, dated Feb. 15, reported his arrival and assumed charge of his duties at Rangoon on March 27.

May 2.—No. 73.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to invest the undermentioned officer in the Cent. Provs., with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class.

Lieut. A. Bloomfield, assist. comsr., Wurmah dist. *May 3.*—No. 75.—Lieut. G. A. Strover, offic. dep. comsr., 4th grade, and mag. of Akyab, is invested with the criminal powers referred to, to be exercised within that dist.

No. 76.—Dr. J. M'Donald Houston is app. to be an hon. mag., and is invested with powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class, to be exercised within the limits of the Upper Godavery dist., Cent. Provs.

No. 78.—Mr. C. Gay is app. assist. supt. of police, British Burmah, to be stationed in the town of Moulemein.

May 4.—No. 79.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to permit Mr. H. G. Paynter to resign the C.S. from March 5.

No. 80.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to permit the Hon. H. B. Harington to resign the C.S. from the 25th ult.

No. 81.—The services of Lieut. W. Vertue, offic. assist. dist. supt. of police, Cent. Provs., are placed temp. at the disposal of the Foreign Dept.

No. 82.—Mr. J. Burton, assist. dist. superint. of police in Oude, is appointed to offic. as dist. superint. at Oonao, during the absence on leave of Mr. R. C. A. Hamilton.

Mr. Burton received charge of the dist. on the forenoon of March 26.

May 4.—No. 186.—Mr. E. Butcher is appointed a probationary assist. superint. in the Mysore revenue survey.

No. 364.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to notify that the Chief of Myhere in Bundelcund was installed in the management of his State on March 23.

The office of superint. of the Myhere State, in force during the minority of the Chief, was abolished on April 1.

April 29.—No. 918.—Dr. A. A. Renton, offic. Burbar surg. to his highness the Maharajah of Mysore, has priv. leave of absence for 14 days to proceed to the Neilgherry Hills.

No. 920.—Capt. E. Thompson, dep. comr. of Seetapore in Oude, is apptd. to offic. as comr. of the Khyrabad div., during the absence of Mr. Tucker on the priv. leave granted him in G.O. No. 517 dated 6th ult.

Lieut. G. G. Young, assist. settlement officer, will offic. as settlement officer of Seetapore in the room of Capt. Thompson.

May 4.—No. 932.—Mr. J. C. Colvin, offic. dep. comr. of Seetapore in Oude, availed himself of the prep. leave granted to him in G.O. No. 632, dated March 17, and made over charge of his office to Mr. J. W. Quinton on the afternoon of April 13.

No. 931.—Lieut. G. E. Erskine, assist. comsr., 3rd grade, in Oude, is apptd. assist. settlement officer, v. Mr. Lang, proceeded to Europe on furl.

No. 936.—Mr. J. H. Beddy, assist. comsr. Hoshungabad, C.P., is apptd. to offic. as dep. comr. of the Hoshungabad dist., as a temp. arrangement, from the date on which he may relieve Mr. A. C. Lyall.

No. 938.—Col. A. Fytche, comr. of the Tenasserim div., British Burmah, is granted 1 mo. leave to proceed to Calcutta, preparatory to leave to Europe on m.c.

The following proms. and changes are made in consequence:—

Lieut. col. D. Brown, dep. comsr., 2nd grade, and offic. dep. comsr., 1st grade, to offic. as comr. of the Tenasserim div.

Mr. T. J. Fallon, dep. comsr., 4th grade, to offic. as dep. comsr., 3rd grade.

Mr. W. De C. Ireland, assist. comsr. 3rd grade, to offic. as dep. comr., 4th grade.

Mr. G. Faithfull, dep. comsr., 1st grade, Rangoon dist., Pegu div., is transf. to the Amherst dist., Tenasserim div.

Capt. H. A. Browne, dep. comsr., offic. 3rd grade, is transf. from the Myanong dist. to the Rangoon dist., Pegu div.

Mr. W. De C. Ireland, offic. dep. comsr., 4th grade, to be in charge of the Myanong dist.

Mr. D. F. Lonsdale, assist. comsr., 3rd grade, to be assist. comsr. at Thayetmyo in the Prome dist., and in charge of the Treasury, and to be ex officio coll. of customs, in add. to his other duties.

These arrangements are to have effect from the date on which Col. Fytche makes over charge of his office.

No. 940.—The services of the undermentioned officers are placed at the disposal of the Punjab Govt. for employment in that province:—

Lieut. H. Gibson, Bombay staff corps.

Lieut. J. Ketchen, gen. list, Bombay inf.

Lieut. C. H. T. Marshall, 37th Bengal N.I.

Lieut. F. G. Hearn, 17th Bengal N.I.

No. 943.—The services of the undermentioned officers are placed at the disposal of the Punjab Govt. for employment in that province:—

Messrs. F. W. R. Fryer, C.S.; S. S. Thorburn, C.S.; J. W. Gardiner, C.S.; F. P. Beachcroft, C.S.; and A. W. Stogdon, C.S.

No. 948.—Mr. E. G. Fraser, civil judge of Lucknow, has obtained priv. leave of absence for 1 mo., from April 18.

Mr. Fraser made over charge of the current duties of his office to Mr. Lincoln, assist. civil judge, on the evening of the 17th idem.

No. 950.—Mr. J. Lloyd is appointed to offic. as an extra assist. comr. in the Central Provinces.

No. 953.—Surg. J. M. Lownds, in med. charge of the Rajpootana agency, has obtained priv. leave of absence for 2 mo., from the 11th ult.

No. 955.—Lieut. J. Low, assist. comr. of Oonao in Oude, availed himself, on the evening of the 15th ult., of the 24 days' prep. leave granted to him in G.O., No. 604, dated March 16.

No. 957.—Capt. C. P. Hildebrand, dep. comr., 4th grade, in British Burmah, is apptd. to offic. as dep. comr. of the 3rd grade, with effect from Dec. 12.

No. 961.—Mr. J. Kavanagh, assist. superint. of settlement and survey in Oude, has furl. to Eur. for 1 year, together with 17 days' prep. leave to reach the port of embarkation.

Mr. K. M. Nicholson, extra assist. comr. of settlement at Fyzabad, is apptd. to offic. as assist. superint. of settlement and survey during Mr. Kavanagh's absence.

No. 963.—Mr. A. Young, offic. dep. comr. of Durriabad in Oude, returned from the leave of absence granted April 11, and resumed charge of his duties on the morning of April 9.

May 5.—No. 80.—Capt. J. F. Wells to be coll. of customs at Bassein, from March 16, 1865, on which date he received charge of the office from Lieut. T. W. Philbrick, late Indian navy, who has been transf. to another appt., at his own request.

Mr. T. A. Martin to be coll. of customs of th. Kowtoh div. of the customs line in the Centra. Provinces.

Mr. K. McKenzie to offic. as chief assist. in the office of the civil paymr., Punjab, with retrospective effect from Nov. 8, 1863.

Leave of absence:—

Mr. C. R. Kiernander, chief assist. in charge of the office of deputy auditor and accountant gen., British Burmah, having quitted Rangoon on priv. leave with the sanction of the chief comr., British Burmah, is allowed 1 mo. priv. leave in lieu of the leave on urgent private affairs, which was granted to him on April 6, 1865.

Simla, May 1.—No. 144.—The undermentioned upper subordinates of the Public Works Establishment, Punjab, are transf. to the province specified:—

To Mysore.—Serg. J. S. Robinson, supervisor, 2nd grade.

Mr. J. Page, supervisor, 1st grade.

No. 146.—Mr. A. Penny, civil div. engineer, Fyzabad, Oude, passed the examination in Hindoostanee on Jan. 26.

No. 147.—Mr. S. Simpson is app. to the Public Works Accounts Dept. on probation as an accountant of the 4th grade, and posted to the central office of accounts in Oude, with effect from March 1, in room of Mr. Chill, res.

No. 148.—Mr. J. W. Wilson, accountant, 4th grade, Oude, was granted 1 mo. priv. leave from April 6.

No. 149.—Lieut. col. C. W. Hutchinson, R.E., assumed charge of the office of offic. chief engr., and secy. to the chief engr., public works dept., Oude, on the afternoon of April 6.

No. 150.—The foll. transf. of assist. engr. of the public works dept., Oude, are notified:—

Mr. H. Adams, assist. engr., 2nd grade, from the 1st to the 2nd Oude road div.

Mr. H. W. Hughes, assist. engr., 3rd grade, from the Seetapore to the Lucknow div.

No. 151.—Mr. J. H. McKae, offic. exec. engr., Seetapore div., Oude, is allowed leave, prep. to furl., from May 1 to 23, to enable him to proceed to and embark at Calcutta.

THE DOOAR FIELD FORCE.

Simla, April 29.—No. 430.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 393 of April 13, the Right Hon. the Gov. Gen. in Council is pleased to direct that the troops composing the Dooar Field Force, and the Eastern Frontier Brig., shall be formed into one brig. under the command of Brig. gen. J. M. B. F. Tytler, C.B., from such date as that officer may assume the command of the Eastern Frontier brigade from Brig. gen. Mulcaster.

PUNJAB IRREGULAR FORCE.

April 29.—No. 431.—H.E. the Gov. Gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appointment:—

1st Cavalry.—Lieut. C. S. Maclean, 2nd in cmd. and squad. officer, to offic. as cmdt. during the absence, on m.c. to Eur., of Col. W. T. Hughes, or until further orders.

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No. 433.—Appointment:—
Vet. surg. E. J. Batt, of H.E.'s body guard, to the stud dept., to fill an existing vacancy, with effect from the date on which he quits the body guard.

No. 434.—Capt. (brev. maj.) H. A. Brownlow, of the R.E., exec. eng., dept. pub. works, is allowed an extension of leave from March 10 to 14th, the date on which he returned to Bengal from sick leave to Eur.

No. 438.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Eur. on leave of absence on m.c.:—

Lieut. A. C. Toker, of the Bengal staff corps, doing duty officer, 18th regt. N.I., for 15 mo.

No. 439.—The following alterations of rank are made, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Med. Dept.—Surgs. E. Taylor, from July 11, v. Surg. maj. E. Campbell, retired; H. W. Spry, August 7, v. Surg. C. Stewart, M.D., deceased; A. J. Dale, M.B., from Sept. 26, v. Surg. maj. G. Paton, M.D., retired; and A. Young, from Oct. 24, v. Surg. maj. J. Campbell, M.D., C.B., retired.

With reference to G.G.O. No. 78, the undermentioned surg., borne as supernumeraries pending the instructions of the Sec. of State, are hereby brought on the strength of the establt., subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Med. Dept.—Surg. B. Simpson, M.D., A.B., from Nov. 1, v. dep. inspec. gen. of hospital G. S. Mann, F.R.C.S., dec.; and G. H. Daly, M.D., from Nov. 15, v. Surg. maj. A. Simpson, M.D., dec.

No. 442.—The services of Lieut. H. A. Pakenham, of the late 55th regt. N.I., are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal.

No. 443.—The following order, issued by the Govt. of Bombay, is confirmed:—

Dated April 5.—No. 206.—Granting leave to Europe, on m.c., to the underment officers:—

Maj. C. H. Byers, Bengal staff corps, 2nd in com. and wing officer, 3rd regt. N.I., for 20 mos.

Lieut. G. N. Money, Bengal staff corps, wing officer, 3rd Punjab inf., for 20 mos.

No. 444.—The underment officer is admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the date specified opposite to his name, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India:—

Lieut. J. Butler, gen. list, inf., doing duty officer, 18th regt. N.I., June 7, 1864.

No. 445.—The underment officer is permitted to proceed to Europe, on leave, on m.c.:—

Lieut. I. Low, late 5th Eur. L.C., asst. comsur., Oude, for 20 mos., under the new regs.

May 2.—No. 446.—The services of Asst. surg. R. W. Cunningham, M.D., att. to the 14th (the Ferropore) regt. N.I., are placed at the disposal of the foreign dept.

No. 447.—The services of Asst. surg. D. B. Smith, M.D., in med. charge of Mussoorie, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal for app. to offic. as supt. gen. of vaccination, and professor of midwifery, med. college, from the date on which he assumed charge of the duties of the office.

No. 448.—The services of Asst. surg. J. G. French, M.D., being no longer required with the Doar field force, are replaced at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal for reappointment as civil asst. surg. of Mymensing.

Hyderabad Contingent.

1st Inf.—Capt. T. T. Turton, Madras staff corps, late offic. comdt., 6th inf., Hyderabad contingent, to offic. as 2nd in com., during the absence on sick leave to Eur. of Capt. Teed, or until further orders.

April 15.—No. 3,598.—Mr. M. Brodhurst, civil service, is perm. to proc. to Europe on furl. for 2 years from date of embarkation.

No. 3,599.—With reference to the leave of absence granted to Lieut. col. H. L. Thuillier, surveyor gen. of India, in G.G.O. No. 364, dated the 5th inst., H.E. the G.G. in C. is pleased to make the following appointments:—

Lieut. col. Walker, supt. great trigonometrical survey, to officiate as surveyor gen. of India, with the superintendence of the topographical and great trigonometrical surveys.

Lieut. col. D. G. Robinson, to officiate as dep. surveyor gen. of India, with the superintendence of the revenue survey.

April 17.—No. 3,600.—Mr. F. R. Hogg, post-master gen. of the Punjab, has priv. leave of abs. for 2 mo. and 16 days, from Aug. 1 next. Of the leave granted to Mr. Hogg on Feb. 16, that officer availed himself of only 14 days.

No. 3,601.—Rev. J. Robinson, M.A., chaplain on Bengal ecclesiastical estab., is perm. to proc. to Eur. on furl. for 18 mo. from date of embarkation.

Asst. surg. G. Y. Hunter, civil surg., Nimar.

Mr. Apothecary W. Thomas, in civil med. charge of Baitool.

No. 3,603.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to app. Asst. surg. H. F. McGrath, of the Bombay med. estab., to the civil med. charge of Chanda, in the Central Provs.

No. 3,605.—Mr. R. C. A. Hamilton, district supt. of police in Oude, is allowed 20 days' leave from March 26, prep. to availing himself of the leave to Eur. for 6 mo. granted to him under date the 17th idem.

No. 3,606.—Mr. H. A. Brown has been appd. personal asst. to the director gen. of the post office of India and compiler of post office accounts.

No. 3,607.—Mr. C. Galbraith, officg. director of telegraphs, Western circle, is allowed 12 mo. leave on m.c., with effect from March 14.

No. 3,608.—Mr. J. H. Hussey, 3rd class sub asst. att. to No. 7 topographical party (Rajpootana survey), is allowed 2 mo. leave on m.c., from March 6, in ext. of the leave for 6 mo. granted to him on Nov. 1, 1864.

April 18.—No. 3,609.—Mr. H. E. Perkins, of the C.S., is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl. for a period of one year from date of embarkation.

April 20.—No. 3,610.—Mr. E. Grey, of the C.S., is permitted to proceed to Europe on furl. for 3 years from date of embarkation.

Nos. 3,611 and 3,612.—Messrs. F. M. Lind and H. M. Chase, of the Bengal C.S., have reported their departure from India by the steamship *Goldconda*, which vessel was left by the pilot at sea on the 11th inst.

No. 3,613.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following promotions in the Great Trigo-

nometrical Survey Department, with effect from March 11 last, viz.:—

Capt. A. B. Melville to be 1st assistant, v. Capt. T. G. Montgomerie, who has become a supernum. in the dept. from the above date.

Lieut. W. M. Campbell, R.E., to be 1st assistant junior grade, v. Capt. Melville.

April 21.—No. 3,617.—Mr. H. C. Wake, of the C.S., has been permitted to proceed to Europe on furl. for a period of 3 years from the date of embarkation.

No. 3,619.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to grant to Mr. A. Tween, curator of the Geological Museum, leave for 6 mos. under uncovenanted service absentee rules.

No. 3,620.—Lieut. G. A. Strover, offic. dep. comr., 4th grade, assumed charge of the office of mag. of Akyab, on March 4, from Major E. J. Spilbury, dep. comr., 3rd grade.

April 17.—No. 3,477.—In accordance with the power vested in the Gov. gen. in Council to appoint the place of meeting of the Council of the Gov. gen., H.E. in Council is pleased to direct that the said Council shall, until further notice, assemble at Simla, in the Provinces subject to the jurisdiction of the Lieut. gov. of the Punjab.

No. 2,176.—Mr. H. D. Sandeman, acct. gen., Govt. of Bengal, to be a director of the Bank of Bengal, during the absence of the Government of India at Simla.

BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Head Qrs., Umballah, April 3.—The C. in C. is pleased to make the following appts. in the judge advocate gen.'s dept.:—

Maj. A. K. Moffat, late 58th N.I., to act as dep. judge advocate gen., Presidency div., v. Lieut. col. Trower, proceeded on sick leave.

Capt. J. A. H. Moore, staff corps, to act as dep. judge advocate gen., Lahore div., v. Maj. Young.

The C. in C. is pleased to make the following appt.:—

42nd N.I.—Maj. T. Rattray, staff corps, to be officg. comdt.

The underment officers are appointed to do duty as specified:—

Maj. R. M. S. Annesley, staff corps, to do gen. duty at Moradabad, instead of at Agra, as published in G.O.C.C. of the 13th ult.

Lieut. M. C. Smith, late 6th Eur. inf., to do duty with the 6th lancers.

Lieuts. G. P. Cumming, late 4th Eur. regt., attached to 14th N.I., and C. D. G. Newington, gen. list, inf., to do duty with the Doar field force.

Capt. H. Moore, Bombay staff corps, interpreter to the late C. in C. in India, is directed to return to Bombay at the public expense, and report himself to the adjt. gen. at that Presidency, when his appt. on the personal staff of H.E. Gen. Sir H. Rose, G.C.B., shall have ceased.

Capt. R. C. Linsey, late 24th N.I., is appointed to do duty with the Landour convalescent depot, during the present hot season, and directed to join.

Unatt. Ensign T. Hardy, doing duty 36th N.I., is, with the sanction of Govt., appointed doing duty officer to that regt., under G.G.O., No. 223.

The following orders are confirmed:—

Robilkund dist. order, dated Oct. 4 last, directing Lieut. H. P. Evans, 104th foot, to do duty at the Nynees Tal depot.

By the officer commanding the 16th N.I., dated Oct. 16 last, making the following arrangements, in consequence of Major R. C. Germon not having returned from priv. leave.

Capt. W. B. Girdlestone, 2nd in command and wing officer, to offic. as commandant.

Lieut. W. G. Cubitt, v.c., officg. wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in command and wing officer.

Lieut. A. B. Clare, officg. qrmr., to offic. as wing officer, in addition to his other duties.

By the officer commanding Lahore light horse, dated Nov. 1 last, directing Lieut. J. B. B. Dickson to continue to offic. as adjt. during the indisposition of Lieut. and adjt. C. E. Benthall.

Lahore div. order, dated Nov. 12 last, appg. Capt. G. R. Miller, 90th foot, to offic. as dep. asst. qrmr. gen., v. Lieut. col. D. C. Shute, proc. to Europe, on m.c., with effect from 15th idem.

By the officer comdg. the 2nd batt. rifle brigade, dated Nov. 14 last, directing Asst. surg. A. F. Bradshaw to assume medical charge of the batt., v. Surg. H. M'Fraser, M.D., proc. on duty.

Banda station order, dated Jan. 16 last, appg. Lieut. H. O. Cumberlege, adjt. of the 40th N.I., to offic. as station staff, in add. to his other duties, v. Lieut. F. C. W. Drummond, adjt. of the 7th N.I., proc. with his regt.

Attock garrison order, dated Feb. 6 last, appg.

Capt. G. Holland, R.A., to offic. as fort adjt., v. Capt. H. Wood, 3rd batt. rifle brigade, proc. to Peshawur on duty.

By the officer comdg. 25th N.I., dated Feb. 7 last, directing Lieut. J. E. P. Mosley, offic. doing duty officer, to offic. as qrmr., v. Lieut. J. N. Steel, attached to 19th hussars, for instruction in cavalry drill.

Dacca station order, dated Feb. 10 last, directing Capt. E. F. Litchfield, late 42nd N.I., to do gen. duty at the station.

By the officer commanding the 16th N.I., dated Feb. 13 last, directing the following arrangements during the indisposition of Maj. Germon:—

Capt. W. B. Girdlestone, 2nd in comd. and wing officer, to officiate as comdt.

Lieut. W. G. Cubitt, v.c., officg. wing officer, to officiate as 2nd in comd. and wing officer.

Lieut. D. R. Clarke, officg. adjt., to officiate as wing officer, in addition to his other duties.

Saugor dist. order, dated Feb. 14 last, directing Lieut. G. H. Jackson, gen. list, inf., asst. instructor of musketry of 97th foot, to act as inspec. of musketry of 5th div., as a temp. arrangement, with effect from 3rd idem, v. Capt. J. D. Lawrie, proceeded on m.c.

Futtehghur station order, dated Feb. 15 last, appointing Lieut. H. E. Stanley, 1st batt. 23rd foot, station staff, there being no other qualified officer available, v. Lieut. G. M. B. Hornsby, E. batty. 11th brig. R.A., proceeding with his batty.

By the officer comdg. the 98th foot, dated Feb. 19, appg. Ens. H. Paterson to act as interpreter to the head qrs., until arrival at Roorkee, there being no qualified officer available.

Sirhind div. order, dated Feb. 20, appg. Col. E. R. Mainwaring to assume comd. of the div., with effect from the 17th idem., v. Major gen. Lord G. A. F. Paget, to England.

By the officer comdg. the 2nd Bengal cav., dated Feb. 28, appg. Capt. C. Shaw 2nd in comd. and squad. officer, to assume comd., v. Lieut. col. G. Jackson.

By the officer comdg. the 2nd Bengal cav., dated the 1st ult., directing the following appts., until further orders:—

Lieut. C. W. Campbell, 2nd squad. officer, to offic. as 2nd in comd. and squad. officer, v. Capt. C. Shaw, appd. to offic. as comdt.

2nd Lieut. and Adj. G. L. K. Hewett to offic. as 2nd squad. officer, in addition to his other duties.

Peshawur div. order, dated the 7th ult., appg. the underment officers to do duty at the Murree convalescent depot during the ensuing hot season:—

Capt. E. W. Cuming, 79th foot.

Lieut. H. Smithett, B. baty. F. brig. royal horse art.

Lieut. G. B. Bird, 51st foot.

Lieut. J. O. Vandeleur, 3rd batt. rifle brig.

Ens. E. Thackwell, 90th foot.

Ens. C. Spens, 42nd foot.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Major J. F. Stafford (comdt., 19th P.N.I.), from March 18 to Dec. 18, to visit Simla and the hills north of Deyrah, on m.c.

2nd Drag. Gds.—Capt. and Paymr. F. W. Luckin, from July 13 to Nov. 12, in ext.

7th Foot.—Cornet G. T. Morris, from April 15 to Oct. 15, Neigherries; and Cornet W. M. Money, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Nynees Tal.

7th Hussars.—Capt. the Hon. F. A. J. Chichester, from date of embark., for 12 mo., to England.

20th Foot.—Capt. R. Alexander, from April 15 to Oct. 14, to Murree.

7th Foot.—Lieut. F. C. Keyser (1st batt., instructor of musketry) from April 15 to Oct. 14, to visit Cashmere.

19th Foot.—Col. R. Warden, 2nd batt.; Capt. E. St. J. Griffiths, 2nd batt.; and Asst. surg. H. Walker, 2nd batt., from date of embark., to England, via the Cape of Good Hope.

34th Foot.—Lieut. J. M. Mure, instructor of musketry, from April 15 to Sept. 14, to visit Cashmere and the hills north of Deyrah.

42nd Foot.—Col. E. R. Priestley, from Jan. 1 to 25, in ext. of priv. leave, to remain in Calcutta.

54th Foot.—Lieut. W. P. Hodnett, instructor of musketry, from April 10 to Oct. 1, to visit the hills north of Deyrah.

60th Foot.—Capt. E. C. Ainslie, 3rd batt., from date of embarkation, to England, for 15 mo.

79th Foot.—Ens. A. H. Turner, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to visit Cashmere.

93rd Foot.—Lieut. FitzR. McPherson, adjutant, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to visit Dalhousie.

105th Foot.—Lieut. J. E. Whitehead, from date of availing himself of it to Feb. 28, to visit Madras,

pending his exchange to the 66th foot. This cancels the G.O.C.C. of Nov. 25, 1864, p. 609.

Late 2nd E.B.F.—Capt. J. G. S. Matheson, doing duty at M-erut, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to visit Simla and the hills north of Deyrah.

Late 2nd N.I.—Maj. N. C. Boswell (doing general duty at Barrackpore) from May 1 to Nov. 1, to Nynee Tal and the hills north of Deyrah.

Medical Dept.—Surg. C. T. Paske (attached to the 19th P.N.I.) from March 18 to date of embarkation, to visit Calcutta, prep. to applying for furl. to Europe.

Sub Med. Dept.—Apothecary J. Cameron (attached to the 19th Hussars), from March 15 to Oct. 15, to visit to Roorkie and Landour, on m.c.

Barrack Dept.—Conductor J. Cargin (barrack master, Peshawur), from Jan. 15 to Dec. 15.

Head Quarters, Umballa, April 6.—Under the provisions of G.G.O. No. 1,113, of 1857, Maj. gen. Sir N. B. Chamberlain, K.C.B., Bengal inf., is with the sanction of govt. permitted to count 18 mos. of the m.c. to Eur., granted him in G.G.O. No. 460 of 1864.

The underment. officers are appointed to do duty as specified:—

Maj. J. E. L. Willows, late 10th N.I., to do duty with the Landour convalescent depot during the present hot season.

Lieut. D. C. Hennessy, gen. list inf., doing duty with the 25th N.I., to do duty with the 28th N.I.

The nomination of the undermentd. officers, to the appts. specified opposite their names, are hereby cancelled:—

Lieut. R. G. Birch, late 1st Eur. L.C., to be officg. 2nd squad. officer 8th Bengal cav. in G.O. Feb. 15.

Maj. C. F. G. Lamb, staff corps, fort adjt. at Chunar, in G.O. March 13.

Capt. G. F. Ormsby, 2nd drag. guards, is app. A.-de-C. to Maj. gen. Sir S. Corbett, K.C.B., comdg. Benares div., with effect from date he entered upon the duties.

Capt. C. H. Mecham, Madras staff corps, is, with the sanction of Govt., perm. to do general duty at Umballa, as a special case.

The G.O.C.C., dated Feb. 24, perm. Lieut. col. W. R. Cunningham, late 5th Eur. regt., to do duty with Landour convalescent depot during present hot season, is canc. at his own request.

Under instructions from the Horse Guards, Capt. E. M. Jones of the 2nd batn. 29th foot, is posted to the 1st batn. of his regt., from Nov. 22.

Official notification has been received that the following offices, recently prom., have been posted to the batns. specified opposite their names:—

7th Foot.—Capt. F. Beauchamp, 2nd batn.; and Lieut. J. Potham, 1st batn.

10th Foot.—Capt. J. D. Power, Lieuts. C. Knatchbull, and G. W. T. Martin, 2nd batn.

11th Foot.—Lieut. R. Cumberledge, 2nd batn.

Rifle Brig.—Lieut. H. A. Lascelles, 2nd batn.

With reference to G.O.C.C. Dec. 12, R.H.H. the Field Marshal comdg. in chief has been pleased to approve of provisional schoolmaster W. Goodwin having been posted to the 90th foot.

The following Dinapore brig. orders are confirmed:—

Dated Feb. 18 last.—Directing Staff asst. surg. A. Turner, M.D., to assume med. charge of the brig. staff, v. Asst. surg. T. Y. Baker, proceeding to Barmahore with a detachment of the 27th foot.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the officer comg. 18th Bengal cav., dated 5th Dec. last, directing Lieut. and adjt. H. C. Marsh to offic. as doing duty officer, in addition to his other duties, with effect from Nov. 24 last.

By officer comg. 104th foot, dated Oct. 7 last, appg. Lieut. R. C. Richardson adjt. to the right wing.

By H.E. the C. in C., Bombay, dated Dec. 7 last, appg. Ensign E. J. Lugard, 1st batt. 4th foot, to offic. as instructor of musketry to 44th foot, there being no qualified officer available.

By the officer comg. left column, Doar field force, dated Jan. 7 last, directing Lieut. F. F. Rowcroft, officg. 2nd in command 3rd Goorkhas, appointed officg. wing officer 4th Goorkhas, to continue with the former corps, and offic. as wing officer during absence on m.c. of Major H. H. Lyster, v.c., or until further orders.

By officer comg. 15th N.I., dated Jan. 21 last, appg. Lieut. D. W. Inglis, doing duty officer, to officiate as wing officer, v. Capt. J. T. Harris, officg. 2nd in com. and wing officer.

Meean Meer brig. order, dated Feb. 11 last, appg. Capt. G. R. Miller, 90th foot, station interpreter, with effect from Nov. 15 last.

Saugor district order, dated Feb. 11 last, direct-

ing the following arrangements in connection with the convalescents of the season:—

* Ensign C. T. W. Penton, 88th foot, to proceed with a detachment of convalescents to Jubbulpore, and thence return with the convalescents proceeding to Nynee Tal via Cawnpore.

Asst. surg. H. F. Hensman, 77th foot, to proceed in med. charge of the detachment to Jubbulpore, and thence to return in charge of the convalescents for Nynee Tal.

By the officer comdg. the 1st batt. 7th foot, dated Feb. 15 last, nominating the underment. officers a committee of paymastership, during the abs. on m.c. of Capt. and Paym. of J. M. Scott:—

Major B. J. J. Grant to act as president.

Capt. G. Wedderburne, member.

Capt. A. Bennett, member.

Lieut. J. Potham will act as paymaster on the responsibility of the committee.

By the officer comdg. the 31st N.I., dated Feb. 21 last, directing the following appointments, v. Major T. E. B. Lees, app. to do duty at the Nynee Tal depot.

Lieut. R. S. Robertson, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in command and wing officer.

Lieut. J. F. Trevanion, adjt., to offic. as wing officer, in addition to his other duties.

By the officer com. 10th Bengal cav., dated Feb. 21 last, app. Lieut. and 3rd squadron officer A. England to offic. as 2nd squadron officer, v. Lieut. O. Barnes, proceeded on leave.

Dinapore brigade order, dated 11th ult., app. Major C. F. Lamb, of the staff corps, to act as station interpreter, with effect from Nov. 24 to Nov. 30 last.

Leave of absence:—

Royal Art.—Capt. J. A. R. Mead (No. 4 batty. 24th brig.), from date of embarkation, to Eng., by the overland route, on m.c.

18th Foot.—Capt. R. M. Hornby (1st batt.), from date of embarkation, to Eng., by the overland route, on m.c.

34th Foot.—Capt. W. Cody, from March 23 to April 22, to Calcutta, on m.c.

36th Foot.—Col. J. J. Hort, and Capt. A. F. Kelsey, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Cashmere, on private affairs; and Lieut. H. E. Stopford, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to the hills north of Nynee Tal.

79th Foot.—Capt. J. M. Leith, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Cashmere, and Ens. H. F. Rowley (doing duty with invalids at Kurrachee), from date of embarkation, to Eng., by the overland route, on m.c.

82nd Foot.—Ens. H. W. Nicholson, from date of embarkation, to England, by the overland route, on m.c.

88th Foot.—Maj. W. T. Betts, from April 15 to Oct. 14, to Mussorie, on private affairs; Major T. Gore, from April 15 to Oct. 14, to Cashmere; and Lieut. A. A. Owen (instruc. of musketry), from date of embarkation, to England, for 15 mo.

91st Foot.—Capt. J. A. Kysh, paymr., from date of embarkation to England, by either route, on m.c.

93rd Foot.—Capt. M. W. Hyslop, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Kussowlie and the hills north of Deyrah.

94th Foot.—Asst. surg. J. G. Leask, M.D., from date of embarkation to England, via the Cape of Good Hope, on m.c.

Bengal Inf.—Lieut. col. G. Strangways, doing duty at Dinapore, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Landour and hills north of Deyrah.

Late 4th E.L.C.—Major E. A. M. Macgregor, from date of availing himself of it, to Simla and Nynee Tal.

Late 70th N.I.—Major R. C. Whiting, from April 15 to Oct. 13, to Simla and hills north of Deyrah.

Late 73rd N.I.—Lieut. H. W. J. Senior, doing duty officer, 2nd Goorkhas, from May 1 to Oct. 31, to visit Cashmere, Simla, and the hills north of Deyrah.

Gen. List Inf.—Lieut. W. G. Craig, att. to the 16th Bengal cav., from April 15 to Oct. 15, to visit Nynee Tal and the hills adjacent.

Head Qrs., Umballa, April 10.—Under instructions from the Horse Guards, the C. in C. is pleased to publish the foll. list of officers of the British service who are entitled to local rank in India under the provisions of para. 70 of the Right Hon. the Secy. of State's despatch, published in G.G.O., No. 632, of Aug. 4, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

To rank as Lieut. Cols. from the dates specified.

Maj. J. M. Brown, 93rd foot, Feb. 18, 1861.

Lieut. cols., C. H. Hutchinson, F. G. Nuthall, and A. T. Cadell, R.A., Madras, Feb. 18, 1861.

Majors E. S. Mercer, 94th foot, March 6, 1861, and W. T. Betts, 88th foot, Nov. 24, ditto.

Lieut. col. R. Patton, 107th foot, Jan. 3, 1862.

Major J. P. Gore, 1st battalion 1st foot, Feb. 6, 1862.

Major H. Gray, 1st battalion 11th foot, March 25, 1862.

Major H. W. T. Welman, 2nd battalion 10th foot, April 2, 1862.

Major T. Martin, 1st battalion 4th foot, May 27, 1862.

Major E. C. Butler, 86th foot, Jan. 13, 1862.

Major E. J. Ellerman, 98th foot, Feb. 10, 1862.

Major H. R. Grindlay, 21st Hussars, Feb. 10, 1862.

Major J. F. Murray, 97th foot, Nov. 28, 1862.

Major R. Blackall, 1st battalion 7th foot, Jan. 18, 1864.

Major C. T. T. Bunbury, 82nd foot, Oct. 30, 1862.

Major S. Lyster, 94th foot, Dec. 28, 1862.

Major H. H. Lacy, 76th foot, Feb. 1, 1865.

Major C. L. de Winton, 76th foot; J. S. Manly, 27th foot, Feb. 15, 1862.

Major H. W. Parish, 45th foot, March 9, 1862.

To rank as Majors from the dates specified.

Majors J. D. O'Baring, 107th foot; G. Gaynor, 107th foot; C. Armstrong, 35th foot; J. Bleaymire, 104th foot; F. S. Kempt, 103rd foot; R. B. Macleod, 21st Hussars, Feb. 18, 1861.

Cpts. R. Blackall, 1st batt. 7th foot, and D. Hastings, 72nd foot, 18th ditto.

Majors T. Biggs, 3rd batt. 60th foot; H. P. Tyacke, 106th foot; and E. C. Warner, 20th hussars, 18th ditto.

Cpts. J. S. Manly, 27th foot; H. H. Lacy, 76th foot; C. O'Donoghue, 76th foot; and W. C. F. Gosling, royal art. (Madras), 18th ditto.

Major G. E. Herne, 103rd foot, 18th ditto.

Cpts. A. L. Nicholson, 107th foot, C. D. Waddell and A. Stewart, royal art. (Madras), 18th ditto.

Major A. J. Shuldham, 108th foot, March 18, 1862.

Cpts. R. Lloyd, 86th foot, April 2, 1861; and A. J. Fitzgerald, 3rd batt. 60th foot, April 30, 1861.

Major A. T. Welsh, 109th foot, May 21, 1861.

Cpts. B. C. Hitchens and J. H. Llwyn, royal art. (Madras), June 11, 1861; and J. B. Campbell, 109th foot, July 2, 1861.

Majors W. G. Margesson, 56th foot, July 16, 1861; and E. Grantham, 98th foot, Oct. 5, 1861.

Capt. T. H. Stoddard, 1st batt. 18th foot, Oct. 26, 1861.

Major S. H. H. Edwards, 98th foot, Nov. 26, 1861.

Capt. E. H. Couchman, R.A. (Madras), Dec. 10, 1861.

Capt. S. Stallard, R.A. (Bengal), Dec. 11, 1861.

Capt. G. Holland, R.A. (Madras), Dec. 11, 1861.

Capt. G. B. B. Holmes, R.A. (Madras), Dec. 11, 1861.

Capt. W. S. Mann, R.A. (Madras), Dec. 11, 1861.

Capt. C. M. J. Thornton, R.A. (Madras), Dec. 11, 1861.

Capt. W. F. B. Laurie, R.A. (Madras), Jan. 8, 1862.

Capt. E. Atlay, R.A. (Bengal), Jan. 30, 1862.

Capt. C. McC. Cotton, 20th hussars, March 3, 1862.

Capt. R. Lacy, 33rd foot, March 11, 1862.

Capt. E. D. Harvest, 97th foot, April 17, 1862.

Capt. E. Foster, 2nd batt. 12th foot, May 2, 1862.

Capt. J. McCrea, 45th foot, May 23, 1862.

Capt. G. Maister, R.A. (Bengal), June 11, 1862.

Capt. A. Simpson, A.M., R.A. (Bengal), June 11, 1862.

Capt. J. R. Sladen, R.A. (Bengal), June 11, 1862.

Capt. G. Carleton, R.A. (Madras), June 11, 1862.

Capt. E. W. Dance, R.A. (Madras) June 11, 1862.

Capt. C. S. Dundas, R.A. (Bengal), July 8, 1862.

Capt. R. G. Cumming, 56th foot, July 22, 1862.

Major J. Miller, 3rd dragoon guards, Nov. 8, 1862.

Capt. C. M. Young, R.A. (Bengal), Dec. 9, 1862.

Major T. Dundas, 2nd batt. 12th foot, Dec. 27, 1862.

Capt. J. S. F. Fowke, 54th foot, Dec. 30, 1862.

Capt. F. J. MacFarlane, 3rd dragoon guards, Jan. 6, 1863.

Capt. H. E. Forbes, 21st hussars, March 25, 1863.

Capt. H. M. Boddam, R.A. (Bengal) June 9, 1863.

Capt. J. A. Angelo, R.A. (Bengal), June 9, 1863.

Capt. R. Reid, 98th foot, June 23, 1863.

Major S. A. Madden, 51st foot, July 7, 1863.

Captains A. V. Dumbleton, 21st Hussars, 26th July, 1863; J. J. Gordon, 54th foot, Sept. 27,

1868; D. J. F. Newall, J. E. Watson, and W. J. Gray, royal arty. (Bengal), Dec. 8, 1868.

Maj. J. S. Tulloh, C.B., royal arty. (Bengal), Dec. 8, 1868.

Captains R. Martin, N. G. Campbell, royal arty. (Madras), Dec. 8, 1863; C. R. Richardson, 82nd foot, Feb. 16, 1864; W. H. Ballingall, 35th foot, 1864; J. G. Clarke, 46th foot, Feb. 26, 1864; G. R. Brown, E. Harrison, W. F. Cox, royal artillery (Bengal), T. G. Glover, H. Hyda, R. Young, royal engineers (Bengal), H. V. Timbrell, J. C. Griffith, royal art. (Bengal), June 7, 1864; A. Nicholas, 46th foot, R. W. Cardiff, 11th foot, Dec. 6, 1864; C. D. Newmarch, J. Crofton, royal engs. (Bengal), H. B. Sandford, royal arty. (Bombay), C. H. Cookes, J. A. R. Mead, J. F. Raper, A. H. Heath, W. D. Couchman, royal arty. (Bengal), C. Clark, 104th foot, Dec. 9, 1864; C. M. N. Fellows, 107th foot, Jan. 12, 1865; H. Le C. Moller, 101st foot, Jan. 20, 1865; W. Croker, 27th foot, Jan. 25, 1865; R. W. Davies, 2nd batt., 10th foot, Feb. 27, 1865; C. Nedham, 34th foot, Feb. 28, 1865; E. G. Higgins, 107th foot, March 19, 1865; and J. C. Clarke, 79th foot, March 28, 1865.

Captains R. A. Taylor, E. A. Law, 103rd foot; W. C. S. Clarke, 21st Hussars; R. E. Anderson, W. C. Stirling, 107th foot; W. H. S. Hart, 105th foot; D. B. Lockhart, 107th foot; S. A. Hunter, 101st foot; J. De Vitre, 103rd foot; E. Brandt, 103rd foot; G. Maunsell, 106th foot, Feb. 18, 1861; W. Williams, 103rd foot, March 30, 1861; G. Preistley, 1st batt. 20th foot, 30th ditto; I. F. Kennedy, 34th foot, May 18, 1861; R. R. Gillespie, 106th foot, June 8, 1861; N. Kirkland, 106th foot, Dec. 20, 1861; H. C. Macdonald, 108th foot, Jan. 21, 1862; F. B. G. Glover, 105th foot, Feb. 16, 1862; W. H. Twemlow, 27th foot, March 15, 1862; T. P. Harrison, 107th foot, 20th ditto; H. J. Bell, 105th foot, June 14, 1862; and W. M. Harnett, 97th foot, July 12, 1862.

Lieut. J. W. Huskisson, 56th foot, Nov. 8, 1862.

Capt. G. W. M. Hammer, 81st foot, April 19, 1863.

Lieuts. F. B. N. Craufurd, 80th foot, Sept. 21; J. A. Deans, 81st foot, Oct. 15; W. P. Mortimer, 80th foot, Nov. 24; C. S. Maunsell, 82nd foot, Feb. 18; and R. T. Thompson, 56th foot, March 11.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Supt. Engr.'s Office, April 11.—No. 6,453.—One mo. priv. leave has been granted to Mr. W. B. Leggatt, asst. engr., No. 4 range, Madras, from May 15.

Revenue Survey Office, Camp Mercara, April 6.—The 2 mo. priv. leave granted to Lieut. C. A. Shortt, 1st asst. superint. of Tinnevely survey party, has been cancelled at his own request.

Fort St. George, April 12.—The leave to Eur. for 20 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, granted in G.O. April 6, 1865, No. 133, to Lieut. W. E. Forbes, royal (Bengal) art., asst. settlement officer in Oude, is on m.c., and will have effect from March 11, the date of that officer's embark. from Calcutta to Madras.

March 28.—No. 319.—Major J. Shand, of the late 51st regt. Madras N.I., is perm. at his own request, to res. his appt. of doing duty officer in the 1st inf. Hyderabad contingent, and his serv. are accordingly placed at the disp. of the Govt. of Fort St. George.

No. 320.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appts.:—

Hyderabad Contingent.

1st Infantry.

Lieut. E. W. Shaw, paid doing duty officer and offic. adjt., 5th inf., to be paid doing duty officer, v. Major Shand, res.

5th Infantry.

Capt. A. Drury, offic. doing duty officer, 4th inf., to be paid doing duty officer, v. Lieut. Shaw, transf. to the 1st inf., but to continue to do duty with the 4th inf., until further orders.

8rd Infantry.

Lieut. A. F. Dobbs, offic. doing duty officer, to be paid doing duty officer, v. Lieut. Barnett, who vacates the appt., having obt'd. an ext. of leave beyond the prescribed period.

No. 323.—The following order, issued by the resident at Hyderabad, is confirmed:—

No. 43, dated March 8.—Granting Lieut. R. F. Doig, paid doing duty officer, 2nd inf. Hyderabad contin., 2 mo. leave, in continuation of the priv. leave allowed him.

April 19.—Mr. C. N. Pochin to act as civil and session judge of the zillah of Madura, during the absence on leave of Mr. R. R. Cotton.

Mr. P. L. Roberts to act as district registrar of

Cuddapah, while acting as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Cuddapah.

April 19.—Mr. W. M. Cadell, coll. and mag. of South Canara, assumed charge of the district from Mr. A. M. Webster on 11th inst.

Hon. D. Arbuthnot, coll. and mag. of Salem, resumed charge of the district from Mr. C. N. Pochin on 10th inst.

Surg. W. Aitken, M.D., offic. asst. assay master, delivered over charge of his office to Asst. surg. H. E. Busted on 12th inst.

April 18.—The Board of Revenue has granted 3 mo. priv. leave to Mr. W. Wilson, head asst. coll., Kistna district.

April 12.—Mr. H. B. Addis, asst. director of revenue settlement, Coimbatore, has priv. leave for 1 mo., commencing from 19th inst.

April 18.—Mr. J. G. Ferrand, district registrar of Madras, is app. deputy registrar gen., during the registrar gen.'s absence from the Presidency on duty.

April 19.—No. 145.—Subject to the confirmation of the Govt. of India, the services of Surg. H. R. Oswald, M.D. are placed at the disposal of the Commissioner of Mysore, for employment in that province.

April 21.—Appointments:—

Capt. H. Grant, master attendant at Calicut, to be master attendant at Negapatam, v. Capt. Scott, dec.

Capt. F. Gilham to be master attendant at Calicut, in succ. to Capt. Grant.

Asst. surg. H. King, M.B., zillah surg. of Mangalore, to be a lay trustee of the church of that station.

April 21.—The Right Rev. the Bishop has granted the Rev. J. Griffiths, M.A., chaplain of Cuddalore, priv. leave for 8 mo., and Rev. J. J. B. Sayers, LL.D., chaplain of Vellore, priv. leave for 60 days, from date of quitting their station.

Lieut. col. J. Carpendale, R.E., mint master and comr. of the dept. of issue of paper currency at Madras, delivered over charge of those offices to Lieut. col. C. V. Wilkieson on 13th inst.

Lieut. col. P. P. L. O'Connell, R.E., consulting engineer for railways, delivered over charge of the office to Capt. J. G. Lindsay, deputy consulting engr., on 13th inst.

On the report of the Central Committee of the Board of Examiners, the following assistants are declared to have qualified, under the rules published by Government in their resolution dated May 26, 1854:—

Second or Higher Standard.

Messrs. W. S. Lilly, W. S. Foster, W. Logan, W. H. Comyn, J. P. Pennington, F. Brandt, Capt. H. L. Grove.

First or Lower Standard.

Messrs. P. L. Roberts, E. Storr, H. P. Gordon, F. R. H. Sharp, J. W. Best, A. J. Stuart.

The Board of Revenue have granted 1 mo. priv. leave to Mr. W. E. Underwood, dep. coll. of Tinnevely.

No. 35.—Leave of absence has been granted to the following insps. of police, under the Revised Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules:—

Mr. A. Jamieson, of the Krishna police, for 2 mo. Mr. A. Goudie, of the South Canara police, for 1 mo.

April 21.—No. 150.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following prom., subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Infantry.—Sen. Lieut. col. (Maj. gen.) W. Couperus McLeod, to be col. in succession to Steel, dec.; date of commission, March 12.

Maj. G. Pringle, 35th regt. N.I., having been relieved from his acting appt. as presidency paym. by Col. W. P. Macdonald, the services of that officer are placed at the disposal of H.E. the Gov. in C.

Lieut. W. C. Ellis, of the inf. gen. list, doing duty 32nd regt. N.I., is perm. to proceed to Bombay, on m.c., to appear before a final med. board.

MOVEMENTS OF REGIMENTS

The following movement has been ordered:—C batty., 23rd brig. R.A., from St. Thomas' Mount to Trichinopoly.

April 22.—Dr. H. Cleghorn, M.D., conservator of forests, for 6 mo., to proceed to Europe, under sec. 9 of the furl. reg. of 1854.

April 25.—The Hon. R. S. Ellis, C.N., president Sanitary Commission, Madras, 6 mo. leave to proceed to Europe on urgent private affairs, under sec. 9 of the Revised Covenanted Service Absentee Rules.

Lieut. R. F. Morris, royal engs., acting asst. engr., 2nd class, Coimbatore dist., 1 mo. priv. leave from date of departure from his station.

Appointments:—

Capt. R. H. Beddome, dep. conservator of forests,

to act as conservator, during the abs. of Dr. Cleghorn on leave.

Lieut. J. D. S. Bennet, 5th Madras N.I., cantonment mag. of Rangoon, to be 2nd class dep. conservator, and to have charge of the Annamallay Forest, v. Major Michael resigned—to join without delay on being relieved.

Mr. F. P. Pereira, principal Sudr Amin of Tellicherry, to be district registrar of assurances of that zillah.

Mr. T. G. Ward, dep. coll. in Cuddapah, to be dist. registrar of assurances of that zillah.

Mr. H. Grone, sea custom supnt., to act as dep. registrar of assurances of Munsurkotta, in Ganjam, during the abs. on leave of Tirnite Kurmanatha Row.

The following transfers are ordered:—

Lieut. C. J. Smith, royal engs., asst. engr., 1st class, from the Tanjore to the Kistna district.

Capt. J. O. Hasted, royal engs., acting exec. engr., 3rd class, from the Kistna to the Tanjore dist.

Lieut. col. J. C. Anderson, R.E., consulting engr. for railways, assumed charge of the office from Capt. J. G. Lindsay, on 22nd inst.

Lieut. col. J. Anderson, royal engs., delivered over charge of the office of supng. engr., 2nd div., to Lieut. col. G. V. Winscom, royal engs., on 17th inst.

The unexpired portion of the leave on private affairs granted in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of April 5, 1864, to Mr. Supervisor W. A. Goodchap, is cancelled from the 1st prox.

April 21.—The appts. of the Rev. J. W. Wynch, M.A., and Rev. O. Dene, B.A., to the chaplaincies of Black Town and Vizagapatam respectively, gazetted on 4th inst., are cancelled.

Rev. R. Murphy, joint chaplain, St. George's Cathedral, has priv. leave for 3 mo., from 6th prox., and to continue to perform his duties as registrar.

April 25.—The underment. officers to institute prosecutions for offences committed within their respective districts:—

Lieut. E. H. Prother, asst. supnt. of police, Bellary district.

Lieut. H. W. Blair, acting asst. supnt. of police, Madura district.

April 24.—Leave of absence:—

Mr. W. P. Higgins, an examiner of the High Court, appellate side, for 1 mo., from 19th inst.

Lieut. C. D. Baynes, 1st asst. supt., rev. survey, Coimbatore, has 3 mo.'s priv. leave, from the 20th prox., or date of being relieved.

No. 154.—The underment. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe:—

Surg. maj. H. Smith, F.R.C.S., 3rd regt. L.I., on m.c. for 20 mos., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

April 25.—No. 155.—Maj. (brev. lieut. col.) W. G. Owen, 11th regt. N.I., is permitted to proceed to sea, the Eastern coast and Bangalore, on m.c., with leave from April 3 to Oct. 3, 1865, under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from the Eastern coast.

The underment. officers are permitted to proceed to Europe:—

Maj. A. B. Marsack, staff corps, cantonment joint mag., Trichinopoly, on m.c. for 20 mos., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Surg. maj. J. Kirkpatrick, M.D., med. dept., on m.c. for 15 mos., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

April 28.—Leave of absence:—

Lieut. H. C. Smith, R.E., acting asst. engr., 3rd class, Coimbatore dist., 1 mo. priv. leave, from date of departure from his station.

H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council has been pleased to make the following appts.:—

To be Executive Engineers, First Grade.

Capt. H. L. Prendergast, R.E.

Capt. J. Goddard, R.E.

Major J. F. Stoddard, staff corps.

To be Executive Engineers, Second Grade.

Capt. W. C. Palmer, staff corps.

Capt. J. Vertue, R.E.

Capt. G. M. Payne, staff corps.

Mr. R. Kennedy.

Capt. H. Tulloch, R.E.

To be Executive Engineers, Third Grade.

Mr. W. Fraser.

Major W. T. F. Farewell, staff corps.

Major L. Paxton, staff corps.

Capt. T. Beckley, R.E.

Capt. H. T. Rogers, R.E.

Major J. G. Palmer, staff corps.

To be Executive Engineers, Fourth Grade.

Capt. C. G. Phillips, staff corps.

Capt. J. Beatty, R.E.

Mr. W. S. Harrington.

Capt. W. Chrystie, R.E.
Mr. G. S. Sage.
Mr. R. Smith.
Mr. J. W. Rundall.
Lieut. col. C. P. Molony, 25th N.I.
Mr. A. Lawford.
Capt. J. O. Hasted, R.E.
Major H. N. D. Prendergast, v.c., R.E.
Capt. H. W. Wood, R.E.

To be Assistant Engineers, First Grade.

Capt. J. Flint, 38th N.I.
Capt. J. Makgill, R.E.
Lieut. C. J. Smith, R.E.
Lieut. H. R. Mead, R.E.
Mr. J. George.

To be Assistant Engineers, Second Grade.

Lieut. W. T. Whish, R.E.
Lieut. D. H. Trail, R.E.
Lieut. W. C. Coningham, R.E.
Lieut. H. M. Vibart, R.E.
Lieut. A. J. Filgate, R.E.
Lieut. J. Pennycuik, R.E.
Lieut. R. Thompson, R.E.
Capt. G. V. Law, 14th N.I.
Capt. F. G. Hankin, staff corps.

Mr. H. Roberts.
Mr. J. L. Wilson.
Mr. R. C. Fraser.
Mr. P. O. O'Ratigan.

Mr. L. W. Paynter.
Mr. W. B. Leggatt.
Lieut. A. R. Edgcombe, R.E.
Lieut. R. F. Morris, R.E.
Lieut. R. P. Pennefather, R.E.
Capt. E. N. Norton, 18th N.I.
Mr. R. E. Norfor.

Lieut. col. T. Greenaway, staff corps, to act as exec. engr., during the abs. of Capt. W. C. Palmer, or until further orders.

Major A. Ritherdon, staff corps, to act as exec. engr., during the abs. of Capt. Vertue, or until further orders.

Capt. J. Flint, asst. engr., 1st grade, to act as exec. engr., during the abs. of Capt. H. L. Prendergast, or until further orders.

Lieut. H. C. Smith, R.E., to act as asst. engr., v. Capt. Flint.

Lieut. C. J. Smith, R.E., asst. engr., 1st grade, to act as exec. engr., during the employment of Major Stoddard on other duty, or until further orders.

Lieut. C. Cunningham, R.E., to act as asst. engr., v. Lieut. C. J. Smith.

Lieut. H. R. Mead, R.E., asst. engr., 1st grade, to act as exec. engr., during the abs. of Mr. Kennedy, or until further orders.

Lieut. A. C. Smith, R.E., to act as asst. engr., during the abs. of Capt. Makgill, or until further orders.

Lieut. R. R. E. Brockman, R.E., to act as asst. engr., during the abs. of Lieut. Whish, or until further orders.

Lieut. R. A. Livesay, R.E., to act as asst. engr., during the abs. of Lieut. Trail, or until further orders.

Mr. A. Colquhoun to be sub engr., 3rd grade, to complete the establishment, and to be posted to the Bellary district.

Lieut. col. T. Greenaway, staff corps, delivered over charge of the office of Supt. engr. 6th div., to Capt. R. F. Oakes, R.E., on the 26th inst.

Major W. T. F. Farewell, exec. engr., Coimbatore dist., is to be considered as having performed the duties of supt. engr., 7th div., in addition to his own, from Dec. 24, 1864, to March 23, 1865.

No. 158.—Returned to their duty:—

Asst. surg. B. Williamson, M.B., in med. charge 2nd cav. Hyderabad contingent, arrived at Bombay April 13.

Capt. H. C. B. Barnett, cadre 44th regt. N.I., arrived at Madras April 18.

Capt. J. M. Grant, staff corps, brig. major, Bangalore, arrived at Madras April 25.

The undermen. officer is permitted to proceed to Europe:—

Lieut. R. Taylor, of the European veterans, on m.c. for 3 years, under the old furl. regulations, and to embark from Singapore.

Asst. surg. E. McL. Ross, of the med. dept., in med. charge of Chanda, C.P., has proceeded to Bangalore on m.c., from date of departure until Aug. 1, 1865.

No. 159.—The admission to the staff corps of Lieut. A. Y. Brooking, 25th regt. N.I., is to have effect from Sept. 21, 1863, and not from Dec. 4, 1863, as notified in G.O.G. Jan. 10, No. 12.

No. 160.—Lieut. and adjt. G. Proudfoot, hon.

major in the Volunteer guards, is permitted to resign the adjutancy of the corps, at his own request. H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to appoint Lieut. W. F. Wright, of the staff corps, to be adjt. of the Volunteer guards. *

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

April 27.—No. 250.—Lieut. A. H. A. Colville, gen. list, doing duty 3rd regt. Madras L.C., has a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo. on m.c.

April 29.—No. 252.—The following Resolution by the Govt. of India in the financial dept., dated March 13, 1865, No. 1,425, is published:—

"As it appears that there may be some delay in revising the salaries of medical officers on the report of a committee which will be formed in the military dept., the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to rule, meanwhile, as a provisional arrangement, that in the event of any medical officer in medical charge of a civil station applying to be relieved of his civil duties on the ground that his civil emoluments are less than the new military pay and allowances of his rank, and the Local Government deeming it inexpedient to comply with his application, he may be allowed those military pay and allowances, in lieu of all civil emoluments whatsoever."

No. 253.—In G.O. No. 210, dated April 8, after the words "Lieut. col. J. Worgan, R.A." add "Dep. Insp. gen. of Ordnance."

May 2.—No. 256.—The G.O. No. 239, dated April 25, granting 6 mo. leave to Europe to Lieut. Lee, R.E., is cancelled.

No. 257.—Lieut. col. L. Pelly, staff corps, political resident Persian Gulf, has furl. to Eur. for 6 mo., under new furl. regs.

No. 258.—The services of Maj. P. E. Gordon, staff corps, brigade major, Bombay, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India, for the purpose of being app. to the personal staff of H.E. the C. in C. in India.

May 3.—No. 260.—Maj. J. Thacker, staff corps, has been app. president of the civil and military exam. committee, v. Loudon, resigned.

No. 262.—The following officers are allowed furl. to Eur. for 20 mo. on m.c.

Brev. col. W. T. Hughes, Bengal staff corps, comdt. 1st Punjab cav.

Surg. J. B. Scriven, Bengal med. establisht.

No. 263.—Lieut. J. B. Lawrance, R.A., has been app. supt. asst. to the supt. rev. survey and assessment Southern Maratha country.

Lieut. col. G. S. A. Anderson assumed charge of the office of polit. agent in the Rewa Kanta on April 26.

May 2.—Mr. E. Hingley, chief clerk to the senior mag. of police, and clerk to the Court of Petty Sessions, is allowed priv. leave of absence for 1 mo., under section XVI. of the New Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

Mr. F. L. Brown and Mr. Dossabhoj Framjee, respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of 3rd mag. of police, Bombay, on April 29.

May 3.—Mr. R. B. Barton is app. to act as senior mag. of police, Bombay, during the absence of Mr. J. P. Bickersteth on leave.

Mr. R. B. Barton assumed charge on the 3rd inst. Dr. T. G. Hewlett is app. coroner of Bombay during employment of Mr. R. B. Barton as acting senior mag. of police at the Presidency.

Maj. J. H. Henderson is app. to act as comr. of police, Bombay, during the absence of Mr. F. H. Souter on leave.

April 27.—Mr. A. Rogers has been confirmed as rev. and police comr., N.D., from the 8th inst.

Mr. J. W. Robertson has been confirmed as coll. and mag. of Surat, from the 12th inst.

Mr. A. A. Borrodale has been confirmed as deputy comr. of customs, salt, and opium, Presidency div., from the 12th inst.

Mr. T. M. Mason is confirmed as 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Kulladghee.

April 28.—Mr. W. Foxton, dep. coll. of Roree, is allowed leave of absence for 6 mo., to proceed to England on priv. affairs, under Section XII. Clause I. of the New Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

May 2.—Mr. W. A. Goldfinch, collector and mag. of Belgam, is allowed leave of abs. for 1 mo. under Sec. XVIII. of the New Civil Service Absentee Rules, to proceed to Bombay, prep. to obtaining a m.c. to Europe.

Lieut. J. B. Lawrence, royal arty., to be supernumerary asst. to the superint. revenue survey and assessment, Southern Maratha Country.

May 3.—Appointments:—

Mr. L. Reid to be coll. and mag. of Dharwar, v. Mr. L. H. B. Tucker.

Mr. H. B. Boswell to be coll. and mag. of Ratanagerry, v. Mr. L. Reid.

Mr. J. G. White to be sub coll. and jt. mag. of Broach, v. Mr. H. B. Boswell.

April 28.—Maj. J. Thacker, staff corps, to be president of the Civil and Military Examination Committee, v. Mr. Loudon, resigned.

May 2.—The underment. sub assist. surg. have been attached to the Jamsjee Jejeebhoy Hospital from the 8th ult., the day on which they became licentiate of medicine:—

Mr. J. A. Howell; Mr. Rustom Jam; Mr. P. J. L. De Souza; Mr. Shaik Sultan; Mr. Shamrao Juggonath.

May 3.—Surgeon M. M. Mackenzie is appointed to act as civil surg. at Ahmednuggur, v. Surg. Fraser.

Mr. J. Elphinstone, sub coll. and jt. mag. of Colaba, is allowed leave of abs. on private affairs for 6 mos. from the 14th inst., to proceed to Eur., and prep. leave for 7 days, under Sec. IX. of the New Civil Service Absentee Rules.

Mr. A. R. Macdonald to act as sub collector and joint mag. of Colaba, during Mr. J. Elphinstone's absence.

Assist. surg. R. Dick, M.D., superint. of vaccination, Northern Circle, has been allowed leave of absence from the 1st to the 20th inst. to proceed to Bombay for the purpose of undergoing an examination in the Gujarati language, according to the 2nd standard.

May 3.—Mr. D. Jolley, 1st class pilot, is appointed to act as 2nd assist. master attend. and conservator of the port and member of the board of examiners for granting certificates to masters and mates of merchant vessels, v. Mr. Goward retired.

May 8.—No. 269.—The offices of superint. of army clothing and army clothing agent have been united from the 1st inst., and placed under Lieut. col. G. A. Leckie, who will be styled "superint. of army clothing."

No. 270.—Surg. maj. W. Cameron is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo. on m.c.

May 9.—No. 271.—The following officers are allowed furl. to Eur. on m.c.:—

Lieut. col. G. R. S. Burrows, H.M.'s 15th regt. N.I., asst. qmtr. gen., Northern div., for 20 mo.

Lieut. A. M. Phillips, Bombay staff corps, adjt. Sawunt Waree local corps, for 20 mo.

Conductor C. Buzzard, of the ordnance dept., for 15 mo.

Sub conductor C. Hallums, att. to the police force, for 12 mo.

May 10.—No. 278.—Lieut. H. B. Hill, H.M.'s 17th regt. N.I., is perm. to proc. to Eur., via Egypt, on m.c.

No. 274.—Major J. W. Younghusband, staff corps, offic. insp. gen. of police, Hyderabad assigned dist., is allowed a furl. to Eur. for 20 mo. on m.c.

No. 275.—The following prom. is made:—

Cadre 3rd Bombay Eur. Regt.

Lieut. (capt. in 109th foot) J. E. A. Mackintosh to have the position of capt., from May 2, v. Barnes, dec.

Asst. surg. W. A. Colville, asst. surg. at Bushire, has been allowed priv. leave of abs. for 3 mo., under sec. 6 of the civil service furl. and absentee rules.

The Hon. H. P. St. G. Tucker, judge of H.M.'s High Court of Judicature, Bombay, is allowed priv. leave of abs. for 3 mo., from the 15th inst.

Lieut. H. S. Daniel is appd. to act as asst. supt. of police at Sattara, v. Lieut. F. P. Bartholomew.

Mr. A. T. Crawford and the Hon. G. A. Hobart respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of registrar general of assurances on the 6th inst.

Mr. J. P. Bickersteth, sen. mag. of police, delivered over charge of his office to Mr. F. L. Brown, acting 2nd mag. of police, on the 28th ult.

Mr. A. R. Grant, acting sen. asst. judge of Kaira, is allowed leave of abs. for 1 mo., under sec. 11 of the new civil service furl. and absentee rules.

Mr. W. Woodward, extra dep. coll. and mag., Ahmedabad, is vested with powers to commit, as contemplated in sec. 38 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

Mr. C. J. Fernandez, supt. of the Central Prison gang at Poona, is vested with the powers of a sub. mag. of the 1st class in the Poona district.

May 8.—Mr. W. A. Goldfinch to be revenue and police comr., S.D., v. Mr. W. Hart.

May 10.—Mr. S. Muller, asst. conservator of forests, is allowed leave of absence for 1 mo. on m.c., to proceed to Bombay, prep. to obtaining a final m.c. to Europe.

Appointments:—

Capt. W. A. Gillespie to be 1st class dep. coll. and mag. of Hyderabad, v. Mr. W. T. Cole.

Capt. C. D. J. Dodd to be 1st class dep. coll. and mag. of Shikarpoor, v. Capt. W. A. Gillespie.

Capt. F. J. T. Ross to be 2nd class dep. coll. and mag. of Kurrachee, v. Capt. C. D. J. Dodd.

Mr. W. Maher to be 2nd class dep. coll. and mag. of Shikarpoor, but to continue to act as 2nd class dep. coll. and mag. in Kurrachee.

Mr. A. M. Boulton to be 3rd class dep. coll. and mag. in Kurrachee, v. Mr. W. Maher, and to act as asst. coms. in Sind during the absence of Mr. J. G. Moore.

Mr. H. Ryland to act as 2nd class dep. coll. and mag. of Hyderabad.

Capt. E. W. Trevor to act as 3rd class dep. coll. and mag. of Hyderabad.

Mr. W. Foxton to be 2nd class dep. coll. and mag. of Hyderabad, v. Capt. F. J. T. Ross.

Mr. S. W. Tyndall to be 2nd class dep. coll. and mag. of Shikarpoor, v. Mr. W. Foxton, and to act as 1st class dep. coll. and mag. of Shikarpoor.

Lieut. K. J. Crawford to act as 2nd class dep. coll. and mag. of Shikarpoor.

May 9.—Mr. W. Hart is permitted to resign H.M.'s covenanted C.S. on the Bombay establishment from the 12th inst.

May 10.—The Hon. H. L. Anderson, chief secy. to Govt., and secy. to Govt. in the Political, Secret, Educational, Judicial, and Persian depts., resumed charge of his duties on the 10th inst.

The Hon. H. L. Anderson is permitted to resign H.M.'s covenanted C.S. on the Bombay establishment from the 14th inst.

May 9.—Capt. W. C. Barker is appd. a member of the Bombay harbour and pilotage board, v. Capt. Young, gone to England.

Capt. J. H. White, R.E., exec. engr. for irrigation, Khandaish, is appd. acting dep. consulting engr., railway dept.

May 5.—Mr. A. D. DeSouza, 2nd class asst. comr. of customs, salt, and opium, is allowed priv. leave of absence for 8 mo., commencing from 8th inst.

Kurrachee, May 3.—The Comr. in Sind has appd. Mr. M. Melville to be registrar gen. of Sind.

No. 60.—Surg. maj. D. Wyllie, M.D., civil surg. Ahmedabad, is allowed priv. leave from the 10th inst. to the 24th prox., to Bombay and the sea coast.

BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Adj. Gen.'s Office, Poona, April 24.—No. 402.—The following appointments are made:—

17th Regt. N.I.—Major J. A. Wood, v.c., staff corps, to command during absence of Major Pogson, or until further orders.

Major A. Carnegie is confirmed as asst. adjt. gen. of division, v. Wood.

Major W. S. Hewett, brigade major, Ahmedabad, to be asst. adjt. gen., Mhow division.

Capt. E. A. Green, staff corps, to be a brigade major on the establishment, v. Carnegie, and is posted to the Ahmedabad brigade.

2nd Regt. Scinde Horse.—Lieut. C. H. Harrison to be 2nd squadron officer, v. LeGeyt.

80th Regt. N.I.—Capt. T. Bell to officiate as 2nd in com. during absence on m.c. of Capt. Barnes.

No. 403.—Surgeon A. M. Rogers is app. staff surgeon and dep. medical storekeeper at Ahmedabad, v. Wilmot, dec.

OFFICERS' PRACTICE IN MUSKETRY.

April 25.—No. 405.—It is notified, under instructions from the inspector gen. of musketry, Hythe, that officers holding first class certificates from the School of Musketry are not required to go through a course of practice with their companies, but are to be employed in the instruction of their men in the preliminary drills.

April 27.—No. 409.—Appointments:—

1st Regt. L.C.—Lieut. R. G. Mayne to be third squadron officer.

3rd Regt. L.C.—Lieut. W. H. J. Stopford to be third squadron officer, v. Moore.

Lieut. H. B. McNeill is confirmed in the appt. of doing duty officer, v. Stopford, and to offic. as third squadron officer during Lieut. Stopford's absence.

Lieut. J. D. Willoughby, general list, to offic. as doing duty officer.

No. 410.—The following temporary arrangements are confirmed, with effect from March 21 last:—

1st Gren. Regt. N.I.—Capt. R. F. Williams to offic. as 2nd in com., Lieut. W. L. Hallett as wing officer, Lieut. J. Affleck as adjt., Lieut. C. F. Hughes as qrmr., and Lieut. E. Mocker as doing duty officer, v. Walker, proc. on m.c. to Europe.

No. 411.—Asst. surg. W. T. Paliologus is placed on general duty, northern division of the army, and will proceed and join the head quarters 14th brigade R.A., Ahmedabad, at the public expense.

April 28.—No. 415.—The following appointments and transfers of staff officers are ordered:—

Major W. L. Cahusac, Cadre 11th regt. N.I., to act as brig. major, Poona.

Lieut. W. H. Pye, qr. mr. 21st regt. N.I., or marine batt., to be adjt. 11th regt. N.I., v. Gibson.

Lieut. T. L. Fraser, qr. mr. 14th regt. N.I., is transf. to 21st regt. N.I. as qr. mr., v. Pye.

Lieut. A. J. Vibart, 14th regt. N.I., to be qr. mr., v. Fraser.

Capt. E. A. Green will proceed to join his appt. at Ahmedabad as early as possible.

The above officers will be entitled to travel at the public expense, under the provisions of par. 4 of G.G.O. No. 515 of Oct. 25.

No. 416.—The services of Lieut. J. B. Lawrence, 21st brig. R.A., are placed at the disposal of government for employment in the revenue dept.

No. 417.—Returned to duty on April 25: Lieut. E. G. Jenkins, 1st regt. L.C.

April 7.—No. 421.—The foll. order is confirmed: By the officer comdg. at Indore, directing Lieut. F. W. Bean, 6th regt. N.I., to perform the duties of station staff officer.

No. 422.—The foll. temp. arrangement is confirmed, with effect from the 8th inst.:—

17th Regt. N.I.—Capt. S. Fellowes, cadre 5th regt. N.I., to offic. as wing officer.

No. 426.—Leave of absence:—

Capt. E. S. K. Dawson, 106th foot, from date of embark, to England by the overland route, m.c.

Lieut. W. Luckhardt, 109th foot, from date of embarkation, to England by the overland route, m.c.

These officers are not available for duty with troops, and will, on arrival, report themselves to the Adj. gen., Horse Guards.

Lieut. E. Brett, 3rd drag. gds., 3 mo. from date of departure.

Brev. Lieut. col. Hon. E. C. H. Massey, 95th foot, 30 days from date of departure, on m.c.

Lieut. G. L. Warden, from April 14 to May 13, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final certificate to Eur.

May 1.—No. 428.—The foll. appt. is made:—

20th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. C. C. Paul to be doing duty officer.

No. 429.—Lieut. E. H. Tyndall, staff corps, is placed on general duty, Poona.

No. 430.—Lieut. A. C. Gardner, 21st brig. royal art., has been app. by H.R.H.F.M. C. in C. to do duty with the depot brigade.

May 2.—Returned to duty:—

Major H. W. Holland, staff corps.

Lieut. H. S. Daniel, 3rd regt. L.C.

May 3.—No. 432.—The foll. appointments are made.

2nd Regt. L.C.—Major J. Blair, v.c., to command, Capt. W. E. LeGeyt to be 2nd in command, during the absence of Lieut. col. Taylor.

No. 433.—Major H. Shewell, cadre 2nd Eur. regt., L.I., is placed on gen. duty, Poona.

Leave of absence:—

Lieut. M. J. Clarke, 14th brig. royal art., from March 8, 1865, to Sept. 8, on m.c.

Lieut. E. W. Buller, 21st brig. royal art., from March 15, 1865, to July 15, on m.c.

Lieut. J. J. Twining, 35th foot, from date of embarkation, on m.c. This officer is not available for duty with troops, and will, on arrival, report himself to the adjt. gen., H.G.

Leave of absence:—

Staff Corps.—Lieut. C. F. James, adjt. 20th regt. N.I., from May 8 to July 6.

3rd Drag. Guards.—Capt. J. J. Corrigan, from April 30 to June 1.

Lieut. H. Langtry, from April 30 to June 1, in ext.

Quarter master Gen.'s Dept.—Lieut. col. G. R. S. Burrows, asst. qrmr. gen., N.D.A., from April 20 to April 30, in ext., on m.c.

4th Foot.—Capt. J. Howley, from April 29 to May 29, on m.c.

Gen. List.—Lieut. W. F. Hume, doing duty officer 11th regt. N.I., from April 25 to May 24, on m.c.

May 4.—No. 435.—The underment. officer returned to duty by permission of the Sec. of State for India on April 25:—

Major H. Shewell, 2nd Eur. regt. L.I.

No. 437.—Prom., until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

1st Batt. 4th Foot.—Ensign R. De B. Barnett to be lieut., by purchase, v. Sinclair, who retires, April 24.

No. 438.—Capt. C. T. Heathcote, staff corps, attached to 4th regt. N.I., is placed on gen. duty at Rajcote, and on arrival at that station will be appd. staff officer, and placed in charge of the bazaars.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By H.E. the C. in C., Bombay, dated Dec. 7 last, appg. Ens. E. J. Lugard, of the 1st batt. 4th foot, to offic. as instructor of musketry to the 44th foot, there being no qualified officer available.

No. 440.—The following order is confirmed:—

Dated April 26.—By the officer comdg. at Rajcote, directing Major Miles to perform the duties of staff officer and supnt. of bazaars, until the arrival of Capt. Heathcote.

No. 441.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 241, of the 25th ult., Asst. surg. E. A. Lawrence is appd. to the med. charge of the 30th regt. N.I., v. Partridge.

No. 442.—Capt. W. H. Ross, staff corps, attached to 23rd regt. N.I., is placed on general duty at Kurachee.

No. 445.—Leave of absence:—

Lieut. A. M. Phillips, staff corps, from May 1 to May 31, to remain in Bombay, on m.c.

Lieut. col. G. R. S. Burrows, asst. qrmr. gen., N.D.A., qrmr.'s gen.'s dept., from May 1 to May 31, in ext.

Capt. C. P. Stokes, 4th foot, from May 1 to May 31, in ext.

DRESS REGULATIONS.

May 8.—No. 447.—With reference to G.O. No. 1,004, of Oct. 13, 1862, the following modifications are, with the sanction of Govt., made in the dress of officers of the 27th and 29th regts. N.I.:—

Coat—Tunic, rifle green cloth, with red facings, the same pattern and lace as for inf. officers, edged with narrow black braid.

Buttons—Gilt, regimental pattern.

Waist Plate—Gilt, infantry pattern, with regimental device.

Cartouche Box—Black patent leather, with gilt regimental device.

Forage Cap—Rifle green, with black silk oak leaf braid.

No. 448.—The following temporary arrangement is confirmed, with effect from April 9:—

25th regt. N.I.

Lieut. W. E. Simpson to act as doing duty officer during the absence of Lieut. Marshall, or until further orders.

No. 449.—That part of G.O. No. 409, dated 27th ult., which relates to Lieut. Mayne, is cancelled, and Lieut. H. W. Harris and M. W. Stevens are confirmed in the appts. as third squad. officer and doing duty officer 1st regt. L.C.

No. 450.—The underment. officers will appear before the gen. examination committee, to be assembled at the Town Hall, Bombay, on Wednesday, the 10th inst., for examination in the native languages, as follows:—

Guzerathi.

Asst. surg. R. Dick, med. dept.

Marathi.

Lieut. T. L. Fraser, staff corps.

Lieut. C. E. Fisher, staff corps.

Persian.

Asst. surg. W. Dymock, med. dept.

Arabic.

Lieut. E. Chapple, 95th foot.

BIRTHS.

BEHAN—At Mhow, April 28, the wife of Sub-Conductor Behan, of a daughter.

BERKELEY—At Seylana, Central Indian, April 28, the wife of J. E. Berkeley, Esq., 10th M.N.I., of a son.

BIGGS—At Rawul Pindee, April 11, the wife of Capt. J. A. M. Biggs, S.A.C.G., of a son.

Bow—At Chunar, April 30, the wife of Dr. J. C. Bow, of a son.

COOK—At Mahabeshwur, May 8, the wife of Dr. H. Cook, Superintendent, Assistant Collector and Magistrate, of a daughter.

CHAPMAN—At Seetapore, April 24, the wife of Sergeant Major Chapman, 2-12 regiment, of a daughter.

CAULFIELD—At Saugor, Central India, April 15, the wife of Capt. Caulfield, 7th Madras Cav., of a daughter.

CORDWELL—At Simla, on Easter Sunday, the wife of Mr. David Cordwell, of a daughter.

DOUGLAS—At Clifton, Kurrachee, May 2, the wife of Mr. James Douglas, Agent of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, of a daughter.

FALCON—At Mymensingh, the wife of A. B. Falcon, Esq., Civil Service, of a son.
FRASER—At Agra, April 30, the wife of Capt. the Hon. J. H. Fraser, of a daughter.
FRY—At Jubbulpore, April 28, the wife of Capt. J. W. Fry, 91st Highlanders, of a daughter.
GALE—May 4, at Mazagon, the wife of J. W. Gale, Esq., of a son.
GILMORE—At Arrah, April 26, the wife of J. T. Gilmore, Public Works Department, of a daughter.
HUME—At Dum-Dum, April 29, the widow of the late Capt. B. J. Hume, H.M.'s 80th Regt., of a daughter.
INGLIS—At Futtehpore, May 1, the wife of Mr. R. C. Inglis, Station-master, E. I. Railway, of a son.
LAWRENCE—At Nagpore, April 20, the wife of A. J. Lawrence, B.C., of a daughter.
MARSH—At Belgaum, May 7, the wife of Capt. E. N. Marsh, Staff Corps, of a son.
MACARTHUR—At Ghazepore, April 26, the wife of Mr. J. W. S. Macarthur, of a son.
PEARSON—At Almora, April 16, the wife of F. Pearson, Esq., superint. gen. of vaccination, N.W.P., of a daughter.
PHELPS—At Kurrachee, April 22, the wife of P. Phelps, Esq., R.E., of a son.
PEREIRA—At Dadur, April 27, the wife of Mr. John Pereira, of a daughter.
RADDOCK—At Bijnour, April 23, the wife of C. E. Raddock, Esq., civil asst. surg., of a daughter.
ROBINSON—At Goosey, May 2, the wife of S. H. Robinson, Esq., of a daughter.
SIBTHORPE—At Asseerghur, April 28, the wife of Capt. Sibthorpe, 9th N.I., prematurely, of a daughter, still-born.
SHAND—At Secunderabad, April 23, the wife of Major Shand, 51st Madras N.I., of a daughter.
SHEELS—At Budaon, April 25, the wife of Mr. J. Sheels, of a son.
SPENS—At Mahabeshwur, May 5, the wife of A. L. Spens, Esq., C.S., of a daughter.
TRITTON—At Secunderabad, on the evening of the 11th inst., the wife of William B. Tritton, of a son.
WOLLASTON—At 2-2, Crooked-lane, on May 4, the wife of Hyde M. Wollaston, Esq., of a son.
WESTAWAY—At Kolapore, April 24, the wife of W. J. C. Westaway, Inspector of Government Telegraphs, of a daughter.
WILCOX—At Deyra Dhoon, May 2, the wife of G. H. Wilcox, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

WILLIAMS—ROUTH.—At Jullundhur, May 6, Captain Montgomery Williams, H.M.'s 19th Regiment, to Elfrida, daughter of Richard Routh, Esq., of Constantinople.
BLACKBURN—GILDER.—At Brculla Church, May 1, Mr. Edwin Blackburn, to Miss Adeline Gilder.
CARDWELL—NEWTON.—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, May 2, by the Rev. J. Cave Browne, F. Cardew, Esq., 82nd Regiment, to Clara, daughter of T. Duncan Newton, Esq., of West Hoe, Plymouth.
COOKE—POOLE.—At St. James's Church, Delhi, May 1, Charles R. Cooke, B.A., Cantab, and Delhi College, second son of Col. Cooke, late of the Bombay Army and Cheltenham, to Catherine Emma, second daughter of the Rev. John Poole, B.A., Oxon and Hampstead.
CROWDY—HARROWELL.—At St. Andrew's Church, Calcutta, William S. Crowdy, Esq., of Ottur Factory, Tirhoot, to Letitia Hannah, daughter of the late J. Harrowell, Esq., Calcutta.
CRICHTON—HIGGS.—At St. John's Church, Colaba, April 29, David Crichton, Master Mariner, to Anne Cornley Higgs.
HALLETT—TISSENDIE.—At St. John's Church, Calcutta, April 22, J. R. Hallett, Esq., B.C.S., to Marie Justina, eldest daughter of the late Jacques Tisendie, Esq., of Bogla Factory.
HENESSEY—CUMBERLEGE.—At St. John's Church, Mirzapore, on May 3, Alexander Cardew Hennessey, Esq., H.M.'s 14th Bengal Cav., to Mary Henrietta Fullerton, elder daughter of the late Lieut. col. Nathaniel Joseph Cumberlege, Bengal Army.
JONES—STORRA.—April 26, at St. George's Church, Agra, Staff sergeant J. W. Jones, unattached list, to Hannah Sophia, daughter of the late Ensign J. Storra.
LEBLOND—DAVIES.—At Allahabad, May 2, by the Rev. Fr. Knaresboro, Mr. Lewis LeBlond to Mrs. A. H. Davies, widow of the late Walter E. Davies, Indigo Planter.

MACDONALD—CROMMELIN.—At Barrackpore, April 25, Capt. D. Macdonald, Bengal Staff Corps, son of Major gen. John Macdonald, Bengal Army, to Emelia Frances, youngest daughter of the late Major G. R. Crommelin, C.B., Bengal L.C.
POOLE—BROOKS.—At Cuttack, April 26, Mr. David T. Poole, of York, to Mary Ellen, eldest daughter of Mr. W. Brooks, Cuttack.
READ—HAMILTON.—April 18, at Kotagherry, Neigherries, Charles William Read, Esq., M.C.S., to Helen Bishop, daughter of Major Johnston Hamilton, Madras Ordnance Staff.
SCOTT—DIVER.—April 29, at St. Thomas' Cathedral, Bombay, John L. Scott, Esq., merchant, Bombay, to Annie H. Diver, second daughter of Thomas Diver, Camden-road, London.

DEATHS.

ANDREWS—At Bombay, May 2, Sarah, the wife of Mr. John Andrews, aged 20 years.
BINEHAM—At Mazagon, May 9, Emily M., infant child of Mr. T. Bineham, aged 2 months.
BILLINGS—At Nagpore, April 27, Helen, eldest child of Mr. W. A. Billings, aged 5 years.
BARNES—At Bombay, May 1, Captain Barnes, H.M.'s 30th Bombay N.I.
BOTHWELL—At the European General Hospital, May 14, David Bothwell, chief officer of the ship *Faize Allum*.
CABRAL—At Kurrachee, May 4th, Isabella, wife of Mr. Cabral.
DESILVA—At Cavel, May 3, Mrs. M. DeSilva, the mother of Antonio DeSilva, Esq., Inspecting Postmaster of Cutch and Cattwar.
FIRTH—At Nynee Tal, April 21, the infant son of Lieut. and Adj. Firth, 10th N.I.
FAGAN—At Bareilly, April 27, the Rev. F. C. Fagan, chaplain, aged 29 years.
GORDON—At Dughai, April 20, Sergeant William Thomas Gordon, Pension Establishment.
HUME—At Dum Dum, April 25, Captain B. J. Hume, of H.M.'s 80th Foot, aged 36 years.
HARDING—At Bombay, April 27, Thompson Harding, Esq., the fourth son of David Samuel Harding, Esq., of Blackheath, Kent, and late Inspector General of her Majesty's Customs, London, aged 32 years.
HUNTLEY—At Bombay, April 30, Sergeant William Huntley, of his Excellency the Governor's Band.
HANCOCK—At Byculla, May 3, Mr. James Hancock, Assistant Superintendent Education Society's Printing Office.
HOMER—At Bombay, May 9, of apoplexy, Selina, the beloved wife of Mr. G. W. Homer, aged 43 years.
HORMUSJEE—At Bombay Fort, May 3, Hormusjee Postonjee Bottlewallah, aged 74 years.
HANNAH—At Kurrachee, May 1, Mr. John Thomas Hannah, late of Bombay.
LONGDEN—At Bareilly, April 20, Anne, infant daughter of Captain Longden, Paymaster, 77th Regiment.
McKILLIGIN—At Calcutta, at No. 1, Mangoe Lane, April 28, James Pelham McKilligin, Esq.
McVOY—At Bombay, April 28, Mr. John McVoay, late Quarter Master H.M.S. *Dalhousie*, Bombay Marine, aged 33 years.
McLEOD—At Bombay, April 27, Mr. Robert McLeod, Engineer, Elphinstone Land and Press Company, aged 36 years.
NASH—At Darjeeling, March 25, George Eusar Nash.
NICHOLAS—At Calcutta, Mr. A. Nicholas, of the E.I.R. Service.
NICOL—At Kurrachee, April 20, Harry George, infant son of William Nicol, Esq.
NICOL—At Kurrachee, April 28, Elizabeth Mary Ann, the wife of William Nicol, Esq.
ROSS—At Meerut, Henry William Rolph, only son of S. Rolph Ross, Esq., C.E., aged 4 mo. and 3 days.
READ—At Bombay, May 1, the infant son of Mr. W. Read.
SIBBALD—At Bombay, May 2, Jessie, child of Conductor Sibbald, aged 1 year and 3 mo.
SHOWELL—At Colaba, May 7, Mr. Henry Showell, asst. comr. of customs, aged 43 years.
SHAND—April 23, at Secunderabad, Elsie Anne, infant daughter of Major Shand, 51st Madras N.I.
STEPHENS—At Bombay, April 29, Alfred Stephens, son of Charles Stephens, Veterinary Surgeon, aged 16 years.
THOMAS—At Calcutta, John, son of the late Rev. James Thomas, Secretary to the Mission, Calcutta, aged 28 years.

WALLACE—At Gogo, May 6, William B., son of Rev. J. Wallace, aged 3 years and 4 months.
WINTER—At Calcutta, April 26, Mary Lillian, only daughter of the Rev. R. R. Winter, S. P. G. Mission, Delhi, aged 8 months.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c., IN H.M.'s REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA. June 2.

Royal Artillery.—Staff asst. surg. F. Pennington to be asst. surg., v. H. W. Devlin, appointed to the staff.

Military Train.—Ens. E. Holberton, from 6th foot, to be ens., v. W. F. Rudman, transf. to 20th foot.

4th Foot.—Ens. E. R. de B. Barnett to be lieut., by purch., v. W. H. Stone, who retires; Ens. J. Corse-Scott, from 56th foot, to be ens., v. Barnett.

11th Foot.—Ens. E. R. M. Baskerville to be lieut., by purch., v. G. A. Elliot, who rets.; M. N. Gubbins, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. Callwell, prom.

19th Foot.—Capt. S. W. Bent, from the late 5th West India regt., to be capt., v. H. F. Massy, who rets. upon half-pay.

21st Foot.—Ens. F. J. Webber to be lieut., by purch., v. J. J. Rutherford, who rets.; C. R. Walker, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. Webber.

23rd Foot.—Capt. C. G. C. Norton to be maj., by purch., v. Brev. lieut. col. E. G. Bulwer, C.B., promoted to a half-pay lieut. col., by purch.; Lieut. F. Gerard to be capt., by purch., v. Norton; Lieut. L. G. Lysons to be capt., by purch., v. G. F. R. Colt, who rets.; Ens. G. B. Luxford to be lieut., by purch., v. Gerard; Ens. H. J. Knox to be lieut., by purch., v. Lysons; R. T. Webber, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. Luxford; June 2. W. F. J. Cowan, gent., to be ens., by purch., v. Knox, June 3.

36th Foot.—Ensign H. T. C. Roberts to be Lieut., by purch., v. C. M. Bond, who retires; J. L. Rose, gent., to be ensign, by purch., v. Roberts; Qrmer. J. II. Wright, from the late 5th West India regt., to be qrmer., v. J. Brookes, who retires upon half-pay.

45th Foot.—J. Humfrey, gent., to be ensign, by purch., v. R. Garnett, prom.

56th Foot.—T. Prickett, gent., to be ensign, by purch., v. J. Corse-Scott, transf. 4th foot.

66th Foot.—Lieut. R. G. Westropp to be capt., by purch., v. E. J. Storey, who retires; Ensign A. C. Addison to be lieut., by purch., v. W. E. S. Garratt, gent., to be ensign, by purch., v. Addison.

94th Foot.—Lieut. J. Mackinlay to be adjt., v. Lieut. P. R. Anstruther, prom., April 1.

97th Foot.—C. J. Arnold, gent., to be ensign, by purch., v. Marshman, transf. to the 28th foot.

BREVET.

Lieut. col. R. B. Hawley, 60th foot, having completed the qualifying service with the rank of Lieut. col., to be colonel, under the Royal Warrant of Oct. 14, 1858; May 18.

INDIA OFFICE, JUNE 1.

Her Majesty has been pleased to approve the admission of the undermentioned officers to the Bengal and Madras Staff Corps:—

BENGAL STAFF CORPS.

To be Captains.

W. R. Gordon, late 68th N.I.

H. Phillpotts, late 15th N.I.

Capt. D. Macdonald, late 25th N.I.

To be Lieutenants.

A. D. Butler, 107th foot.

R. T. Hare, Royal (Bengal) Art.; W. J. Stewart, ditto; F. Coddington, ditto.

M. C. Perreau, late 47th N.I.

T. M. Sandys, late 73rd N.I.

L. C. de L. Daniell, late 14th N.I.

E. C. Corbyn, late 46th N.I.

E. G. Wake, late 83rd N.I.

W. H. Wilkins, Royal (Bengal) Art.; J. W. Taylor, ditto; W. Barron, ditto; W. J. M. Muir, ditto; C. K. Mackinnon, late 68rd N.I.

E. Newbery, late 6th Eur. Inf.

J. B. Slater, late 22nd N.I.

R. P. Nisbet, Bengal General List; D. C. Andrew, ditto; A. C. Toker, ditto.

Ens. J. B. Sparkes, 88th foot.

E. G. Lillingston, 71st foot.

E. A. Raikes, of the 107th foot.

MADRAS STAFF CORPS.

ADMISSIONS.

To be Captain.

T. H. Stoddar, 18th Royal Irish Regt.

To be Lieutenant.

C. A. Shortt, 66th foot.

To Correspondents.

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ALLEN'S INDIAN MAIL,

MONDAY, June 5, 1865.

THE FATAL MARCH FROM MHOW.

THE deepest indignation has been excited in India by the fatal march of the detachment of artillery from Mhow, and "What will they say in England?" is asked on all sides. The press of this country, we are reminded, in the case of Colonel Crawley, teemed with denunciations of the alleged misconduct of that officer, resulting in the death of only a single man. What will be thought now? is the question heard on all sides, when the mail brings news that the lives of thirty-four Europeans (men, women, and children) and twenty-five natives have been lost through official obstinacy or indifference.

It is probable that some explanation of this unfortunate affair has been brought by the present mail, but the general opinion in Bombay was that none had been sent, and public feeling on the subject was, of course, intensified by the absence of any sign of concern on the part of the military authorities. Of the extent of the disaster there was unfortunately no doubt. What the public wanted to know was—who was responsible? It is certain that Major-General Green, commanding at Mhow, warned the Bombay head-quarters, not only in general, but particular terms, of the peril that would be incurred by persisting in the order. Not only did he point out the fact that the season was unusually hot, and disease likely to be about, but he distinctly stated that cholera was on the road between Mhow and Nargaum, and warned the authorities of the danger which must attend a march in that direction. The remonstrance was unheeded, and the detachment—men, women, and children—went forth into the jaws of death. Had they encountered a foe of twice their force, and sustained a desperate engagement, they could scarcely have sustained greater proportionate loss than was inflicted by the disease which so suddenly struck down their ranks. The responsibility of the disaster of course rests with head-quarters, but whether General Straubenzy or some departmental officer be individually to

blame has not yet appeared. Sir William Mansfield, who, almost equally with his predecessor in the command-in-chief, has earned for himself the name of "the soldier's friend," would have been one of the least likely men to send troops into unnecessary danger, and it is said that he left an order prohibiting the march of troops in hot weather, except in case of emergency. Assuming the error to have been committed by a departmental officer, the *Times of India* remarks that the responsibility is greater rather than less, because it may have been incurred in a negative form—the refusal to rescind or suspend some routine order fixed months ago; and the writer adds, "Any commander who, in face of the warnings urged by Major-general Green, should have declined to take the responsibility of acting contrary to the regulations of his superiors,—as the stock phrase runs—does not understand what is the proper meaning of responsibility. If he cannot make a better decision between the claims of circumstances as they are, and the rigid rules of routine, he had better have remained in some subordinate position." If the case be indeed as suggested, and it be found that the supposed departmental officer insisted upon carrying out previous orders instead of referring the exceptional circumstances to the Chief, we suspect that he will find himself to have incurred a far more serious responsibility than if he had been a little irregular.

After the holidays it is to be hoped that we shall have some further information upon the subject. The Indian Secretary, to judge by his reply to the question addressed to him on Thursday, seemed to be rather worse informed than most people by last mail; but it is not to be supposed that he can fail to receive the fullest particulars of a matter of so much importance both to the service and the public.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE INDIAN ARMY.—SECOND SERIES.
No. I.

TO THE EDITOR OF "ALLEN'S INDIAN MAIL."

SIR,—In the leading article of your No. 674, of the 24th inst., in alluding to the opinion of Lord Cranworth, the head of the commission that sat last year to report on the alleged grievances of the officers of the Indian Army, you state that his lordship admitted that "the claimants had been denied a full measure of satisfaction because it was found impossible to accord it. The amalgamation did not admit a full concession of the advantages which they had enjoyed under the old system. The great difficulty in the way of an adjustment was the 'unfortunate clause' which gave the guarantee. The claimants had no legal rights, and the clause should never

have been made a part of the Act." But what constitutes a legal right except it be an Act of Parliament? Now, let us look to the Acts which have heretofore affected the army in the service of the late East India Company, which, up to the year 1784, was regulated solely by the East India Company itself.

In that year, by the Act of 24 Geo. III. c. 25, sec. 42, it was enacted, "That all promotions and advancement of the officers and servants of the said united East India Company, as well civil as military, in their respective lines or professions, under the degree of the respective Councillors and Commander-in-Chief, shall be made according to seniority of appointment, in a regular progressive succession, unless any of the said governments and presidencies shall on any very urgent occasion by a vote in Council see cause to deviate from the said general rule directed to be here observed; and on every such occasion the said government or presidency shall cause a full and perfect entry to be made upon their minutes of consultation specifying all the circumstances of the case, and their reasons and inducements at large for making such deviation, and shall transmit the same to the Court of Directors by the first opportunity that shall occur for their order and direction therein; and that all nominations and appointments to be made repugnant or contrary to the directions of this Act, whether the same shall be made by the Court of the Directors of the said united Company or by any of the said governments or presidencies (save and except in cases of emergency, as aforesaid), shall be null and void."

This Act was repealed by 33 Geo. III., c. 52, by which latter Act no order or instructions whatever relating to the civil or military government of India were to be issued by the Court of Directors without having been previously submitted to and approved of by the Board of Control. These observations, though fully entered upon in my letter on the Indian Army, No. II., dated in June, 1864, appear necessary to show that whatever alterations took place between 1784 and 1858 were authorised according to Acts of Parliament, and it was neither competent for the Court of Directors alone nor the President of the Board of Control singly to deviate from the principle laid down in the existing Act of 1786. The alterations made in 1796 met the concurrence of Parliament, and were acted on by the Court of Directors.

The next Act affecting the service of the East India Company is that which transferred the army, navy, and civil service to the Crown, viz., the Act of 21 and 22 Victoria, c. 106, passed in 1858, and by the 26th section of that Act it was enacted "That the military and naval forces of the East India Company should be deemed to be the military and naval services of her Majesty, and should be under the same obligations to serve her Majesty as they would have been to serve the said Company, and should be liable to serve within the same territorial limits only for the same terms only, and be entitled to like pay, pensions, allowances, and privileges, and the like advantages as

regards promotion and otherwise as if they had continued in the service of the said Company."

Previously to the so-called amalgamation "A Commission," dated the 15th July, 1858, was appointed, consisting of the Secretary at War, H.R.H. the Commander-in-Chief, the Right Hon. Lord Stanley, and others, "to inquire into the organisation of the army serving in the pay and under the control and management of the Hon. East India Company, and to report to her Majesty what changes it might be expedient to make in the existing system."

The Commissioners made their report, dated 27th March, 1859, and therein among other things reported as follows:—"Your Majesty's Commissioners observe that the 56th clause of the Act for the Better Government of India assures to the forces which now belong to your Majesty's Indian Army 'the like pay, pensions, allowances, and privileges, and like advantages as regards promotion and otherwise, as if they had continued in the service of the said Company.'" "The privileges and advantages thus referred to are detailed in the appendix, but may be briefly stated to consist in a prescriptive right to rise strictly by seniority to the rank and emoluments of a colonel of a regiment, with the option of retiring before attaining that position, or after various periods of service, on a scale of pay or pension considerably higher than that granted to officers of your Majesty's army of the line." No change therefore can be made which would in "any way disturb the system of promotion of seniority as affecting officers now in the service, or interfere with any of their existing privileges. But the 57th section of the above recited Act gives to your Majesty full power to frame new regulations on this and all other points to be applied to the case of officers and others who hereafter may enter the service."

Nothing can be more plain or explicit than this language of the Commissioners, who, being for the most part military men, took the simple and direct view of the question—namely, that whatever changes it might please her Majesty to make in respect of that part of her army permanently serving in India, the Act of Parliament conferred on her Majesty no power to deviate from the tenor of the Act 21 and 22 Victoria in respect of the immunities guaranteed to the officers and men then in the service of the East India Company, transferred to her own.

But the Commission which was formed under H.M.'s sign manual, bearing date the second day of May, 1863, states in paragraph 60 of its report that in the year 1860 it having been deemed expedient to alter the organisation of the Indian army by incorporating it with the rest of her Majesty's forces so as to make them one army. Accordingly another Act of Parliament passed, 23 and 24 Vic., c. 100, to make the army of India and the army of England one army, to effect which it was enacted that the enlistment of soldiers in England for service in India should be prevented at the same time. It was provided "that the advantages as to pay, pensions, allowances, privileges, promotions, and otherwise, secured to the military forces of the East India Com-

pany by the former, should be maintained in any place for the reorganisation of the Indian Army." The amalgamation of the European portion of the Indian Army, comprising twelve regiments of Infantry and the whole of the European Artillery and Engineers, already organised by the Act of 1796, was little more than a transfer of those branches of the service to the Crown, and rendering available the European force of the East India Company to serve in whatever part of the world her Majesty might require their services. No change whatever took place in the mode of promotion, some slight alteration in the names by which each division or company was designated, and a curtailment in the number of general officers in India was effected to prevent the supersession of officers in the Royal Artillery in England. All this was feasible and practicable. The amalgamation of the European branches of the Indian Army has been rendered as complete as was desirable, reserving to the officers certain privileges as to pensions and leave of absence, which belonged to them in the service of the Company.

That amalgamation, however, has completely separated the European portion from the Indian Army raised among the native population, and whose officers are only required to serve in India.

But, in respect to the native army, I have distinctly shown that no alteration was intended to take place affecting the pay, allowances, privileges, and the like advantages as regards promotion and otherwise as if they had continued in the service of the East India Company. It appears clear also that no alteration in the organisation of the army, as framed in 1796, could take place without the recommendation, on the one hand, of the Court of Directors, which no longer exists, and the assent of the Board of Control, which has also died away.

The reorganisation of the Indian Army, enrolled only for Indian service, required no such changes as it has pleased the Secretary of State for India (sanctioned by her Majesty's present Ministers) to make, nor does it seem competent for that high officer to make such alteration in the scheme of regimental organisation and staff promotion totally at variance with the practice of the British army, with which the Act of Parliament required an amalgamation, not a separation.

It may be a question if actions were brought in a court of law to recover damages on account of injuries sustained in consequence of supersession in violation of the Act of Amalgamation whether the plaintiff might not recover, in spite of the opinion of the Commission that the Act conferred no legal rights, or that of the learned law lord at its head, who has stated the same thing in his place in Parliament, concluding that "the clause was an unfortunate one, and should never have been passed"—a censure which both Houses will no doubt fully appreciate.

I may, perhaps, have a few more words to say on the effect the notable scheme for separating the English portion of the Indian Army from that of the native army, instead of amalgamating them. J. B.

Oriental Club, May 26, 1865.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—MAY 30.

COOLIE EMIGRATION SHIPS.

Mr. KINNAIRD asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies whether his attention had been drawn to the great mortality that had recently occurred among the coolies in their transport to Demerara, and especially on board the ships *Clarence* and *Earl Russell*; and whether anything could be done to render the passage less destructive to life, or so to regulate the emigration as to hinder persons being embarked who were not in sound health.

Mr. CARDWELL said his attention had been drawn to the cases of three ships sailing from Calcutta to British Guiana, on board of which there had been unusual mortality. From an examination made by the colonial authorities it did not appear that this arose from any fault in the provisions of the ships, or in the conduct of the surgeons or masters. The governor attributed the mortality to a deposit of matter left by the inundation during the late cyclone at the emigration depot. In regard to the general mortality, he was happy to state that of late years it had been decreasing.

HOUSE OF LORDS.—MAY 31.

THE PRISONERS IN ABYSSINIA.

In reply to Lord CHELMSFORD, Earl RUSSELL said the latest intelligence from the prisoners in Abyssinia was to the 28th April. Mr. Rassam was waiting at Massowah to fulfil his mission. He had learned that the treatment of the prisoners was not worse. The Government had no intention of sending another mission, but all information received at the Foreign office would be made public.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—JUNE 1.

PETITIONS.

A petition was presented by Colonel SYKES from Lieut. G. A. Baker, of the cadre of the 60th Bengal N.I., stating that the Royal Commission on the grievances of Indian officers were not able to form a complete opinion on the bonus question, owing to the *ex parte* statement only, from the India-office, being before it, complaining that conferring brevet rank has not caused full justice to be done; that retired officers are kept on the Army List, stopping promotion, and praying for further inquiry.

LIGHTHOUSE ON BASSES ROCK.

Mr. B. COCHRANE asked for an explanation of the extraordinary and extravagant expenditure on the lighthouse on the Basses Rocks, at Ceylon. He read an account of the sums voted year after year for several years, amounting to £80,000 or £90,000 for this lighthouse, yet there was no lighthouse at all on the rocks; and he wished to know what had become of the money.

Mr. MILNER GIBSON said attempts had been made to erect this lighthouse, but the great difficulties attending the undertaking had been underrated; in short, the money spent had been thrown away. A light-ship had been moored off the reef, and would prove an economical substitute.

Observations were made by Mr. BENTINCK, Sir T. HESKETH, and Mr. HENLEY.

THE INSURRECTION IN CHINA.

Colonel SYKES gave notice that on a future day he should ask the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs a question with reference to the reported dismissal of Prince Kung, and whether he had received information from the diplomatic and consular agents in China, with respect to the progress of the insurrection in several of the provinces.

THE INDIAN BUDGET.

In reply to Mr. J. B. SMITH, Sir C. WOOD said that he intended to bring forward the usual Indian financial statement this session; but in the present state of public business he could not say when.

THE WAR IN BHOUTAN.

In reply to Sir M. FARQUHAR,

Sir C. WOOD, who was almost inaudible, was understood to say that certain posts were occupied in the spring. One of them was attacked, and he must say very disgracefully abandoned. That had since been retaken, but it was not thought advisable to occupy it during the rainy season. A second post had been abandoned, but had since been most gallantly retaken by Sir David Bruce; but he believed it was not intended to reoccupy that during the rainy season. But the fact was his information was very incomplete, and he was unable to make out exactly what had been done; whether it had been retained or not. At all events, all the Europeans had been withdrawn, except some small portion of the artillery, and every preparation had been made as far as possible to insure their health.

MORTALITY IN THE ROYAL ARTILLERY ON THE

MARCH FROM MHOW TO KIRKEE.

Sir M. FARQUHAR asked the Secretary of State for India whether his attention had been drawn to a statement which had lately appeared in the newspapers with respect to casualties which befel a detachment of Royal Artillery, ordered, on the 11th April last, to set out on a march from Mhow to Kirkee, and whether he had received any report on the subject.

Sir C. WOOD, in reply, said that he had received no published report on the subject of the melancholy occurrence to which the honourable member's question referred. He was sorry to say, however, that there was no doubt it was true that a detachment of artillery had been ordered from Mhow to Kirkee, and that very great mortality occurred on the march. The numbers, he believed, had been stated, but they included both women and children. There seemed to have been a misunderstanding between the military authorities and the officer commanding the detachment. A remonstrance was made to the authorities, who at once countermanded the order for the march by telegraph, but not until it was too late. He thought it only fair to say that the breaking out of cholera amongst troops on the march in India was by no means an uncommon occurrence. It by no means followed that this was owing to any particular season of the year, as cholera occurred at the most healthy seasons.

HOUSE OF LORDS.—JUNE 2.

ROYAL COMMISSION.

The following Bills received the Royal assent by Commission:—

Public Offices (site and approaches); India Office (site and approaches).

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—JUNE 2.

THE AZEEM JAH PETITIONS.

The House took up the report of the Azeem Jah Petitions Committee. That committee say that one George Morris Mitchell has forged signatures to petitions, and that he ought to be adjudged guilty of a breach of the privileges of the House.

Mr. C. FORSTER moved a resolution to give effect to the report of the committee, and a warm debate followed.

Mr. HENNESSY opposed the motion, which found supporters in the ATTORNEY-GENERAL and various other members.

Eventually the motion was carried, and Mr. Morris Mitchell was ordered to be committed to Newgate, there to remain during the pleasure of the House.

PRINCE KUNG.

In reply to a question from Colonel SYKES, Mr. LAYARD said he was happy to be able to inform his hon. and gallant friend that Prince Kung had been appointed his own successor. Her Majesty's Government had received a telegram from Peking to the effect that Prince Kung had been reinstated in all his dignities, and was again Prime Minister. They had not received any official report of

the state of trade; but on the whole the accounts seemed to be favourable, with the exception of those places occupied by marauders, and there was every prospect of trade increasing.

COURT OF BANKRUPTCY.—MAY 27.

[Before Mr. Registrar WINSLOW as Commissioner.]

RE LE GEYT.

The bankrupt was described as the widow of an officer in the Indian army, and residing at Chateau Pont de Brique, Boulogne, out of the jurisdiction of England. She had been adjudicated as a non-trader, and owing debts amounting to £3,000, with assets consisting of furniture and other effects, estimated to produce about £600.

Mr. Lloyd applied for an allowance to the bankrupt out of the estate to enable her to arrange with some of her French creditors who had prevented her leaving Boulogne for England, in order to surrender to her adjudication.

Mr. Lawrance opposed the application, complaining that the bankrupt had been living at a very extravagant rate in France, keeping up a large establishment of servants, and that she ought long ago to have surrendered.

His Honour said that the application was a most extraordinary one. The Court was asked to consent to the payment of the bankrupt's foreign creditors, so that she might be enabled to leave France to attend the sittings of this Court. Such an application could not be entertained. The bankrupt should have returned to this country before she became so involved with the French tradespeople. The utmost the Court could do, as there was some estate, would be to allow the bankrupt £5 to enable her to pay her travelling expenses from Boulogne to London.

Order accordingly.

MAY 29.

[Before Mr. Commissioner GOULBURN.]

RE WILLIAM PETRIE WAUGH.

This bankrupt, whose name has so long been before the public, applied for his release from custody. He now described himself upon his own petition as of 17, Gloucester-crescent, Camden Town, out of business.

It appeared that the bankrupt had been arrested upon a *capias*, and had since been detained by several other creditors for debts incurred since the date of his former bankruptcy.

His Honour said the application must be refused. He considered that he ought not to interfere with the common law rights of the creditors, as the bankrupt was in custody upon a *capias*.

Mr. Chidley, for the bankrupt, was prepared to find substantial bail for his client's attendance at the sittings of the Court.

His Honour: That can be done before a learned judge at Chambers. I shall not interfere. Mr. Commissioner Holroyd agrees with me that unless by consent, I have no power to make any order in reference to such an application as this. If the bankrupt wishes to be released, he must go to the Court out of which the *capias* issued.

The Bankrupt: I wish your Honour distinctly to understand that I never intended to leave the country, and that I do not owe the money for which I have been arrested.

FATAL ACCIDENT ON THE DERBY DAY.

Between nine and ten o'clock on Wednesday evening, in the village of Merton, a respectable young woman, named Elizabeth Taylor, aged 23, was killed, her sister-in-law dangerously wounded and her life despaired of, and several other persons seriously injured, by the vehicle in which they were riding being run into by a four-horse coach driven by Major Gerard Bolton, of the Indian Army. Among the persons on the coach were the Hon.

Mr. Cholmondeley, Mr. Charles Heneage, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Alexander Fox Campbell, and some other gentlemen whose names were not ascertained.

An inquest was held by Mr. Wm. Carter, coroner for East Surrey, on Saturday evening, at the Nelson Arms Tavern.

Mr. W. Thomas Taylor, of Holl-cottages, Beresford-street, Walworth, brother of the deceased, was examined. He deposed that on Wednesday last he left London in a waggonette for Epsom, accompanied by his wife, the deceased, and her sister, a younger brother, and his brother-in-law (Mr. Andrews). They stopped at the house of Mr. Pedwell, High-street, Merton, on the right-hand side of the road to London, for the purpose of taking supper. Witness and the driver of the waggonette had got down and gone into Mr. Pedwell's house, leaving the rest of the party in the vehicle. He had not been there more than two minutes when he heard screams outside, and on going out he saw the waggonette turned completely over, and his sister Elizabeth lying under it; the others were lying in the road. The deceased was got from under the vehicle and taken into Mr. Pedwell's house. A mail coach with four horses was standing a short distance off, and a number of persons were collected.

Mr. Henry Harris, surgeon, of Merton, deposed that deceased died from the injuries she received; her back was broken near the shoulders. She only survived half an hour. There was an effusion of blood from the eyes and mouth.

Major Bolton, on being sworn, said:—I reside at the Pines, Torquay, Devonshire, but at present am living in London. On Wednesday last I went with a party of gentlemen to Epsom races, and on arriving at this village on the way back, just below this house, and about fifty yards from where the accident occurred, there was a van of some kind going very slowly, which I passed on the off side. As I passed this, a sort of one-horse trap came up on the other side from the near side of the other vehicle. To hinder him from putting my leaders to the off side I was obliged to pull up. It passed the waggonette. I followed with my leaders, and the bars and splinter bar, which are much wider than the coach, passed clear of the waggonette. I felt a slight shock, and then I knew that something had hit the hind wheel on the off side. I did not receive information at that time from Mr. Taylor that the ladies were seriously injured. I was perfectly sober at the time, having driven the whole way from the Downs. I had driven from the hill through all the crowds, and never let the reins go out of my hands. It was dark at the time, but light enough to see everything on the road. Mr. Simpson, a coachman for 17 years, and stud groom to Sir Watkin William Wynne, was on the box with me. I believe that the box of the hind wheel of the coach was struck, and on that I turned to Simpson and said, "I believe that the vehicle must have backed, as the bars and splinter-bar had passed clear of the waggonette." Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Cholmondeley, and Mr. Heneage were sitting behind me. We were going at about seven miles an hour.

Several witnesses were examined, and who expressed their belief that Major Bolton had used all reasonable precaution to prevent touching the waggonette, and attributed the accident to the waggonette changing its position.

After a consultation, the jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death.

Mr. Serjeant Parry said that, as soon as Major Bolton was made aware of the fearful accident which had occurred, he sent down Dr. Ferguson to attend Mrs. Taylor, and sincerely regretted what had occurred.

The Coroner said his conduct was very honourable, and the jury had said that no blame was to be attached to him.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LORD CANNING'S MONUMENT.—A correspondent of the *Times* inquires what has been done, or what is proposed, with regard to the monument to Lord Canning. After Lord Canning's death, subscriptions were collected for a monument to him in London. No information has ever been given to the subscribers or to the public as to the steps that have been taken for carrying out the object, although three years have now passed away.

THE ALLEGED BANK FRAUDS.—Louis Speltz, a merchant of Liverpool, charged with having obtained the sum of £1,678 from the Bank of Hindustan, China, and Japan, by false pretences, has again been brought up at the Mansion-house for further examination. The case was again adjourned, the defendant being admitted to bail, himself in £1,000 and two sureties in £750.

COMMERCIAL FAILURES.—It was announced on Saturday, the 27th ult., that Messrs. Woodhouse, Kerriek, and Co., of Abchurch-chambers, East India merchants and agents to the East Indian Underwriters' Association, have been compelled to seek the indulgence of their creditors. The house, which is highly respectable, has been established more than fifty years. Its liabilities are estimated at £160,000, chiefly against produce, but at present no reliable opinion can be formed of the assets. The suspension has been announced of Messrs. Fulcher, Cooper and Co., East India merchants, at Liverpool, with liabilities supposed to amount to £400,000. The disaster is said to be attributable to the failure of Messrs. Woodhouse, Kerriek and Co.

MILITARY ITEMS.—(*Army and Navy Gazette*).—Lieutenant-General Sir Hugh Rose will enter upon his duties as Commander of the Forces in Ireland on the 1st July next.—Capt. the Hon. E. R. Bourke, of the Inniskillen Dragoons, has been appointed aide-de-camp and private secretary to Sir H. R. Robinson, the new Governor of Ceylon.—19th Regiment. Captain Marshall, of the 1st battalion, has arrived home from India via the Cape. Lieutenant Tucker, of the 2nd battalion, has arrived home from India with detachments.—20th Regiment. Lieutenant Bolger, of the 1st battalion, has arrived home from India via the Cape. Captain C. K. Chatfield, late aide-de-camp to the Governor of Hong Kong, and who was recently appointed private secretary to H.E. the Governor of Ceylon, has resigned his staff appointment, and left to rejoin his regiment in Japan.—2nd Dragoon Guards. Captain O'Beirne is struck off the strength of the depot, and is under orders to proceed to India with a draft to join head-quarters at Muttra. Surgeon Wall has arrived home from India via the Cape.—33rd Regiment. Surgeon W. Hanbury has leave to England, via Egypt, on medical certificate.—38th Regiment. Lieutenant Lee and Ensign Menteath, have arrived home from India via the Cape.—42nd Highlanders. Major Drysdale has arrived home from India with detachments. A detachment has been stationed at Ballater, to act as a guard of honour during the stay of her Majesty in the Highlands.—49th Regiment. On the departure of the regiment for India, the depot will proceed to Fermoy, to be stationed.

ARRIVAL OF THE "MAURITIUS."—The London and East India Company's steamship *Mauritius* arrived at Plymouth on the 29th ult. She left Calcutta on the 5th February; Madras, 22nd; Cape of Good Hope, March 28; and Fayal, May 22. She brought home 300 men of the 71st Regiment and seventy-three of the 66th Regiment—all from Calcutta; also eighty passengers and a large Indian cargo.

TELEGRAM FROM BOMBAY.—**COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.**—A commercial telegram, dated at Bombay, May 31, was received on the 1st inst., but it made no allusion to any difficulties of banks or other establishments.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.—The report of the directors of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company contains the following passage:—The company's operations since the termination of the last financial year—namely, September 30, 1864, have been considerably affected by the prevailing stagnation of business in India and China; and the falling off of silk freights homewards, coupled with the almost total cessation of specie shipments outwards, as compared with those of the two preceding years, will, of necessity, lead to a diminution in the balance of the revenue account at the end of the year. It should always be borne in mind by the shareholders that when adverse circumstances may temporarily reduce the commercial traffic by the company's steamers, the exigencies of the mail service deprive the directors of the power of contracting their operations in proportion and thereby diminishing expenditure until trade may revive. They have reason to hope, however, that the worst of the dull period may have passed, and that the company's business in the freight department may shortly become more satisfactory. In the face of the circumstances referred to, the directors are not, on this occasion, enabled to follow the course adopted at the half-yearly meetings in 1863 and 1864 of supplementing the dividend with an additional payment, and they accordingly recommend only the usual half-yearly dividend of 34 per cent., free of income-tax. The warrants for the half-year ending 31st March will be payable on the 23rd of June, and the proprietors of new shares are requested to take notice that the dividend will be calculated on £30 for the three months between 1st October and 31st December, 1864, and on £35 for the three months between the 1st of January and the 31st of March, 1865.

SCINDIE, PUNJAB, AND DELHI BANK CORPORATION (LIMITED).—The fourth half-yearly meeting of the shareholders in this company was held on the 30th ult. at the London Tavern, Mr. W. P. Andrew in the chair. The report showed a gross profit of £31,062. 12s. 7d., including the balance brought forward from last half-year, after deducting interest on current and fixed deposits. From this sum £14,551. 16s. 3d. had been deducted for current expenses, and £12,008. 4s. 11d. for rebate on bills and commission on acceptances running, £428. 9s. 6d. for 5 per cent. on preliminary expenses, and £366. 8s. 2d. for bank premises redemption fund, leaving a balance of £3,707. 13s. 9d. at the credit of profit and loss. Losses had been incurred from the suspension of firms, which would, it was estimated, absorb the sum at the credit of profit and loss and the reserve fund, leaving £5,238 8s. 1d. still to be provided for. The chairman moved the adoption of the report, and explained that the losses had been caused entirely through exceptional circumstances. He had no desire to conceal those losses, but he believed that they could well retrieve what had happened, and that the institution might yet become successful and flourishing. If the directors continued to receive the confidence of the shareholders, he had no hesitation in saying that he hoped soon to be able to call the shareholders together and submit to them proposals which would be received with acclamation. In reply to a question, the chairman stated that the loss sustained since the accounts had been made up was as nearly as could be ascertained about £1 per share, that a very great change had taken place in the management of the affairs of the bank in India, and that he hoped shortly to call a special meeting and lay before them a satisfactory report of their Indian affairs. After a long discussion the report was adopted unanimously. The retiring directors and auditors were re-elected, and a vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the business.

STRANGERS' HOME FOR ASIATICS, &c.—The annual meeting of this excellent institution

took place at Willis's Rooms, St. James's, on Monday, the 29th ult., Lord Henry Cholmondeley in the chair. There were present on the platform and among the company, the Hon. Arthur Kinnaird, M.P., Sir Robert Montgomery, (late) Governor of the Punjab, General Clarke, Col. Tudor Lavie, Col. R. M. Hughes, Col. Penley, Prof. Syed Abdoolah, Capt. the Hon. F. Maude, Deputy Assistant Judge Payne, Capt. A. Chapman, Colonel Fenning, &c. The chairman having referred to the continued progress and prosperity of the Strangers' Home at Limehouse, Colonel Hughes read the report. It stated that during the past year there were 279 inmates in the home; of these 253 were brought to this country in British ships, 14 in American, 4 in French, 3 in Swedish, and 1 in a Prussian ship. 177 were sent to the Home, and their maintenance paid for by their employers; 33 were admitted under instructions from the India Council; 9 were sent by the Emigration Commissioners, and 60 came to the Home of their own accord and paid for their board and lodging. The cost of working the Home was found to average about £942 per annum. Upon the motion of the Hon. A. Kinnaird, M.P., seconded by the Rev. T. Green, the report was adopted. Resolutions, in accordance with the objects of the institution, were moved and seconded by several other gentlemen in suitable speeches. A resolution, moved by General Clarke, expressed the thanks of the society for contributions received from Princes, Chiefs, Merchants, and gentlemen of India, during the past year, enabling the directors to pay off the mortgage debt on the building and premises; it also earnestly appeared to the public for their continued sympathy. The gallant mover of this resolution testified to the high utility and recommendations of the Asiatic Home. Deputy Assistant Judge Payne addressed the meeting, urging extended support to the institution and pointing out its philanthropic character. He concluded by reciting a copy of verses of his own composition eulogising the many excellent characteristics of the Home. Sir R. Montgomery having proposed, and Capt. Alfred Chapman seconded, the customary compliment to the chairman, Lord Cholmondeley acknowledged the same in a few words, and the proceedings closed with the "Doxology" sung by the company at the invitation of the noble chairman.

OUTWARD BOMBAY MAILS.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamship *Delli* sailed from Southampton on Saturday, the 27th ult., with the mails for Gibraltar, the Mediterranean, Egypt, Aden, Bombay, and Upper Bengal. She took out thirty-three first and fifty-three second-class passengers, and on freight a full cargo, including gold and silver watches for Malta, value £104. 8s.; and for Bombay, bar gold, £890, and gold and silver thread, jewellery, &c., £1,834. Amongst the passengers by the *Delli* are—Count d'Eu, Princess of Brazil, Duc de Nemours, Baron and Baroness Largas, Captain Cuthbert, Captain Laughton, and Lieutenant Cartwright, for Gibraltar; and for Bombay, Captains Smith and Coote.

CALCUTTA AND CHINA MAILS.—**SOUTHAMPTON, May 31.**—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamer *Ripon*, with the heavy portion of the above mails, has arrived. She brings 200 passengers, £3,251 in specie, precious stones value 2,000 rupees, and a general cargo, including 434 bales raw silk, value £90,000.

APPOINTMENT.—(*Downing-street, May 31*).—The Queen has been pleased to appoint Thomas Sutherland, Esq., to be a member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hong Kong.

ORIENTAL GAS COMPANY.—At a meeting of the Oriental Gas Company held on the 29th ult. the report was adopted. A total dividend of 8 per cent. for the past year was declared.

WILL OF SIR GEORGE NICHOLLS, DECEASED.—The will of Sir George Nicholls, K.C.B., late in the hon. East India Company's Naval Service, who died in March last, was proved in London, by the Rev. H. G. Nicholls, his son, Georgiana Elizabeth Nicholls, his daughter, and Mr. W. W. Willink, son-in-law, the executors and trustees. The personalty was sworn under £80,000. Sir George executed his will in 1858, and a codicil in 1862, and has made certain specific bequests in favour of his son Henry, and his daughter Georgiana, leaving to his wife, Lady Nicholls, a life interest in the residue of his property, and after her decease he bequeaths to his son-in-law, the said W. W. Willink, also to the children of his deceased daughter, Jane Owry, and to his daughter, Charlotte Wingfield, certain portions of his property, appointing his son Henry and his daughter Georgiana, residuary legatees.

THE ORDER OF THE BATH.—(War Office, May 30).—The Queen has been graciously pleased to give orders for the appointment of Robert Gilmour Colquhoun, Esq., C.B., her Majesty's Agent and Consul-General in Egypt, to be an Ordinary Member of the Civil Division of the Second Class, or Knights Commanders of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath. Her Majesty has also been graciously pleased to give orders for the appointment of Surgeon-Major William Munro, M.D., 83rd Regiment, and Surgeon-Major Henry Bruges Buckle, 1st Punjab Regiment of Infantry, to be Ordinary Members of the Military Division of the Third Class, or Companions of the said Most Honourable Order.

OUTWARD MAILS.—The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamer *Ellora* sailed from Southampton on Sunday morning, June 4, with the mails for Gibraltar, the Mediterranean, Egypt, Aden, Ceylon, India (except Bombay), and China. She took out 30 first class and 40 second class passengers, and on freight a full cargo, 55 boxes specie, value £15,055. 11s. for the following ports, viz.:—Madras, gold coin, £330. 10s.; rough rubies, gold thread, and jewellery, £1,122; Calcutta, jewellery, £1,913; Hong Kong, gold thread, watches, &c., £728. 11s.; Foo-chow, dollars, £1,000; and for Shanghai, dollars, £9,800, silver coin, £23, and watches and jewellery, £138. 10s.

EASTERN BENGAL RAILWAY.—At the half-yearly meeting, held on 26th ult., the report (an abstract of which appeared in our last number) was read. It was moved by Mr. J. F. Leaf (chairman), and seconded by Mr. F. Halliday. On the motion of Mr. Franklin, seconded by Mr. Thompson, a resolution was unanimously passed requesting the directors to communicate to the Government the respectful remonstrance of the company at the non-fulfilment of expectations held out in reference to the construction of feeder roads, the absence of which had deprived the company of remunerative local traffic, which otherwise would have come upon the line.

COTTON IMPORTS.—The stock in Liverpool is now 494,500 bales against 357,400 bales, and the quantity at sea for Great Britain from India and China, reckoning the latter at 3 piculs to the bale, is 403,300 bales against 369,300 bales, being an increase of 137,000 bales in stock, and 34,000 bales in shipments afloat over the end of May, 1864. Prices generally have advanced, and are now 1d. to 1½d. per lb. higher than they were a month ago.

APPOINTMENT.—(India Office, May 26).—The Queen has been pleased to appoint Arthur George Macpherson, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to be a Judge of the High Court of Judicature at Fort William, in Bengal.

THE SHARES in the various marine insurance companies held by the late Mr. Duncan Dunbar are to be sold by auction on Thursday next.

SIR CHARLES WOOD has announced his intention to withdraw from the representation of Halifax at the next general election.

ACCIDENT TO THE P. AND O. STEAMER "NEMESIS."—The following is a copy of a telegraphic message from Lloyd's agent at Calcutta, dated from that port 10.10 A.M., May 27:—"The *Nemesis*, Captain Castles, from Calcutta to Suez, went ashore at Eugpallas Strand, on the 25th inst., (May?), and up to the 26th remained in great peril. She was homeward bound. The spot where the steamer is reported ashore is near the Hooghly, on the Calcutta side."

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 27. Prince of Wales, Bombay; Shannon, Mauritius. —38. Comet, Japan; Zillah, Cochin.—29. Da Keith, Bombay; Radama, Calcutta; str. Mauritius, Calcutta.—30. Kurrachee, Colombo; Alnwick Castle, Calcutta; Winchester, Calcutta; Renown, Calcutta.—31. Cresspore, Calcutta; Result, Calcutta.—June 4. Alnwick Castle, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Alnwick Castle.—Maj. Battiscombe, 91st Highlanders, Maj. Driedale, 42nd Highlanders, Capt. Lowe, wife, and child, 13th Bengal Cavalry, Capt. Gregory, wife, and child, 98th Foot, Capt. Burnaby, 51st Foot, Lieut. Tucker, 19th Foot, Lieut. Steer, 3rd Madras.

Per Winchester.—Maj. J. R. Lovett, Capt. and Mrs. Drought, Capt. and Mrs. Castle and two children, Lieut. Brown and Vandeleur, Asst.-surg. Grant, Ensigns Talbot, Ryland, Tryon, and McLaughlin, Capt. Marshall, Capt. Boulger, 20th Regt., Capt. Monteith, 35th Regt., Dr. and Mrs. Warr, Queen's Bays.

Per Renown.—Maj. Roberts, V.C., R.A., Maj. Napper, H.M.N.A., Capt. Coulson, Rifle Brigade, Lieut. Douglas, R.A., Lieut. Lee, 38th Regt. The Rev. Mr. Woodington died on board on the 3rd of March.

DEPARTURES.

May 27. South Carolina, Bombay; Golden Sunset, Calcutta.—31. Florence, Colombo; Oriflamme, Bombay; Rosaie, Bombay; Knight Errant, Calcutta.—June 1. Sarah and Emma, Calcutta.—2. Countess of Ripon, Calcutta; Castle Avon, Bombay.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Overland Route, June 4, per str. *Ellora*.—From Southampton.—For Calcutta.—Capt. A. Ferguson, Mr. John Saunders, Mr. B. W. Blood, Mr. Robert Blood, Mrs. Wilson, and infant. For Madras.—Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Bird, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Roberts.

Per str. *Delta*.—From Marseilles.—For Calcutta.—Mr. F. D. Books, Mr. and Mrs. F. Shppard, Mr. H. M. Atkin, Capt. J. Watson, Lieut. and Mrs. Ricketts, Mr. and Mrs. Cable.

CASUALTY.

Singapore, April 22.—The *Johore* was almost totally destroyed by the bursting of her boiler, on the 15th of April, 5 Europeans and 21 natives killed.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

GERALDE—The wife of H. Geralde, Esq., of a daughter (since dead), at 45, Charrington-street, Oakley-square, May 21.

HUSKISSON—The wife of Captain Huskisson, R.M., L.I., of a daughter, at Melville-terrace, Chatham, May 24.

KEMBALL—The wife of C. G. Kemball, Esq., Bombay Civil Service, and of the Inner Temple, of a daughter, at 6, Chester-place, Hyde-park-square, May 31.

LAUTOUR—The wife of E. F. Lautour, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, of a daughter, still born, at 1, Hatherby-place, Cheltenham, May 22.

RAVENSCROFT—The wife of Edward Ravenscroft, Esq., of the Bombay Civil Service, of a daughter, at Budleigh Salterton, Devon, May 28.

SMALL—The wife of Surgeon D. H. Small, H.M.'s Indian Army, of a daughter, at Fortis Cottage, Muswell-hill, June 1.

SNEAD—The wife of George Thomas Snead, Esq., of Calcutta, of a son, at Upper Tooting, June 1.

MARRIAGES.

BLACKALL—CAMERON.—Andrew Knox Blackall, Esq., son of the late Lieut.-general Robert Blackall, H.M.'s Indian Army, to Elizabeth Anne, youngest daughter of the late Colonel Allan Cameron, of The Buffs, at St. Mark's, Lycombe, Bath, June 1.

FINNIS—SPARKS.—Robert F. Finnis, Esq., eldest son of the late Colonel Finnis, Bengal Army, and nephew of Alderman Finnis, to Ernestine Maria, eldest daughter of R. H. Sparks, Esq., of the Charterhouse, at the Church of St. Bartholomew-the-Less, May 20.

HAIG—POLLOCK.—Henry Alexander Henry Haig, Esq., son of the late John Haig, Esq., of Roebuck, county Dublin, to Agnes Catharine, youngest daughter of the late Matthew Baillie Pollock, M.D., Madras Army, at St. Stephen's Church, Westbourne-park, June 1.

JOWETT—NEWTON.—Surgeon-major Joseph Jowett, H.M.'s Indian Army, to Caroline Elizabeth, second daughter of the late William Newton, Esq., of Nocton, and Sudbrooke Heath, Lincolnshire, at Ancaster Church, by the Rev. J. P. Mand, Vicar, June 1.

ROBERTS—SLATER.—J. S. Roberts, Esq., of Madras, to Jennie, daughter of the Rev. J. Slater, at the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Clifton, May 25.

DEATHS.

BERRY—John Henry Berry, Esq., late of Cochin, India, aged 43, at Balmblair, Perth, April 27.

BUTT—William Boyne Butt, Surgeon H.M.'s Bengal Service, on board the *St. Lawrence*, on the homeward voyage from India, aged 38, April 14.

CLAY—Jessy, relict of the late Charles H. Clay, Esq., formerly Registrar of the Supreme Court of Madras, at Brighton, aged 64, May 24.

GRINDALL—Jane, relict of the late Rivers Francis Grindall, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, at Brighton, aged 64, May 22.

HAWKINS—Augustus S. Hawkins, Major gen. in the Indian Army, at Kelvedon, Essex, aged 62, May 30.

INGLIS—David Dees Inglis, Esq., formerly of the Bombay Civil Service, aged 88, at St. Servan, France, May 31.

KENNEDY—Lieut. col. John H. Kennedy, formerly of the 47th Madras N.I., at Red Castle, Haugh of Urr, near Dalbeattie, aged 60, May 20.

MANSSELL—Mrs. Maria Bothett, widow and relict of Capt. J. P. Mansell, H.E.I.C.S., at 4, Peckham-grove, Camberwell, aged 84, May 27.

MORISON—Col. James Morison, late Madras Cav., at Boulogne-sur-Mer, aged 76, May 3.

India Office,

June 5, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. col. F. C. Maisey, Inf.; Asst. surg. T. E. Charles, Med. Estab.; Capt. H. P. Chalmers, Staff Corps; Surg. J. B. Scriven, Med. Estab.; Capt. J. Sykes, Staff Corps; Capt. C. D. Newmarch, Engrs.; Capt. A. Blunt, Staff Corps; Col. Sir H. Edwardes, K.C.B., Inf.; Lieut. col. C. P. Trower, Staff Corps; Surg. maj. J. B. Harrison, Med. Estab.; Lieut. A. B. Fox, Vet. Estab.; Col. J. Lipton, Inf.; Asst. surg. T. Duka, Med. Estab.; Asst. surg. A. K. Reed, Med. Estab.; Capt. R. A. Napper, 55th N.I.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. col. J. Carpendale, Engrs.; Asst. surg. J. T. Doyle, Med. Estab.; Lieut. W. A. Cheke, 13th N.I.; Capt. A. B. Irving, Staff Corps; Lieut. W. C. Ellis, Inf.; Lieut. A. H. Colville, Cav.; Lieut. col. R. Jones; Lieut. R. Taylor, Invalid Estab.; Major A. R. Clephane, Staff Corps; Surg. maj. H. Cleghorn, Med. Estab.; Surg. maj. J. Kirkpatrick, Med. Estab.; Surg. maj. H. Smith, Med. Estab.; Lieut. E. C. Steer, 3rd Eur. Regt.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. col. J. McK. Taylor, 2nd L.C.; Lieut. R. G. Mayne, 1st L.C.; Major L. Pelly, Staff Corps; Vet. surg. J. H. Hollen, Vet. Estab.; Asst. surg. W. P. Partridge, Med. Estab.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

ECCLIASTICAL.

Bengal Estab.—Rev. E. Maurant Birch, Junior Chaplain.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Capt. W. S. Young, 8th N.I., 2 mo.; Capt. A. Combe, 65th N.I., 4 mo.

Madras Estab.—Maj. A. Cannan, 22nd N.I., 6 mo.; Major E. Cave, 7th N.I., 6 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Major C. S. Jessop, 2nd Eur. Regt., 6 mo.; Asst. surg. J. Kearney, Med. Estab., 6 mo.

PERMITTED TO RETURN TO DUTY.

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Lieut. M. P. Ricketts, Staff Corps.

APPOINTMENT.

ECCLIASTICAL.

Bombay Estab.—Rev. William Jones to be a Junior Chaplain.

INDIA EXCHANGES.

BANK AND COMMERCIAL BILLS.

	60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.		60 days' sight.	30 days' sight.
Calcutta	1s. 11d.	1s. 11d.	Singapore	4s. 6d.	4s. 7½d.
Madras	1s. 10½d.	1s. 11d.	Hong Kong	4s. 6d.	4s. 7½d.
Bombay	1s. 11d.	1s. 11d.	Shanghai	—	—
Colombo	par	1½ pm.			

STOCKS AND SECURITIES.

Shares.		Paid.	Prices.
India Stock, 1874	215 to 218		
India 5 per cent.	104½		
India 4 per cent.	99½		
India 4 per cent. 1888	99½		
India Enforced Paper 4 pr. ct.	89		
India 5 p. ct. Enfd. Paper, 1872	100½ to 101½		
India Stock, Enfd. Paper, 5½ per cent.	107 to 108½		
India Stock Debentures, 1858	95½		
India Stock Debentures, 1859	116		
" " " 1863	99½		
" " " 1864	99½		
" " " 1864 or 1866	98½		
India Debentures, do., £1,000	3 dis.		
Do. 4 per cent., 1866	105		
India 5 per cent. for account	106½ to 106½		
India 5 per cent., 1870	99½		
India 4 per cent., 1888	104½		
India Loan Scrip 5 per cent.	15s. to 16s. pm.		
India Bonds, 4 p. ct. (£1,000)	15s. to 20s. pm.		
India Bonds (£1,000)	17s.		
Ditto (under £1,000)			
RAILWAYS.			
Stock Bombay, Baroda, and Central India (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	103 to 104	
20 Ditto F Shares	4	99 to 101	
Stock Calcutta & S. Eastern (lim.)	100	102 to 103	
Stock Eastern Bengal (gu. 5 p. ct.)	100	104 to 105	
20 East Indian	15	104 to 105	
20 Ditto J. Extension	100	104 to 105	
Stock G. I. Peninsula (gu. 5 p. ct.)	14	104 to 105	
20 Ditto (New ditto)	4	104 to 105	
20 Ditto, New	100	101 to 103	
Stock Great S. of India (Lim.) Scrip	2		
20 Ditto 4½ p. c.	100	59 to 91	
Stock Madras (guar. 4½ per ct.)	100	102 to 103	
20 Ditto 5 per cent.	100	104 to 96	
20 Ditto (guar. 4½ per cent.)	2		
20 5th Extension	100	101 to 102	
Stock Scinde 5 per cent.	100	94 to 97	
20 Ditto Indus Steam Flotilla (guar. 5 per ct.)	100	101 to 102	
Stock Delhi guar. 5 per cent.	all	100½ to 101½	
20 Ditto Delhi gua. 5 p. c.	2	101 to 102	
20 Ditto	100	101½ to 102½	
Stock Punjab (5 per ct.)	100		
BANKS.			
100 Agra and Masterman's (L.)	50	113	
50 Do., New issue	25	55 to 57	
50 Do. issue at 30 pm.	25	60 to 62	
20 Asiatic Banking Corp., new issue, £15 pm., on which £7. 10s. has been paid	2½	6 to 9	
40 Australasia	all	69 to 71	
40 New	all	68 to 70	
95 Bank of Egypt	all	30 to 31	
20 Chart. of Ind., Aus., & China	all	22 to 23	
20 Ditto, New	all		
25 Chart. Merc. of India, Lond., and China	all	45 to 47	
95 New	12½	29 to 32	
100 Commercial Bank of India	25	9 to 7	
100 Hindostan, China, & Japan	25	9 to 7	
100 Do. New issue at 2 pm.	25	9 to 7	
100 New Issue at 6 pm., of which 1 p.	15	9 to 7	
20 Land Mortgage Bank of India	4	par to ½ pm.	
25 Oriental Bank Corporation	all	47 to 49	
20 Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi	10	4½ to 3½ d.	
20 Ditto New	7½	2 pm.	
MISCELLANEOUS.			
5 Bombay Gas	all	5½ to 6	
5 Second issue	3	½ to 1	
5 Third issue	1		
20 British Indian Tea	14	1½ to 1½ d	
5 E. Assam Tea (Lim.)	1	1½ d. to 2 pm.	
20 Ceylon	7	4½ to 5½	
20 Credit Foncier of Mauritius	10	3½ to 2½ dis	
20 Darjeeling (E.)	2	1 d. par	
20 East India Irr. & Can.	10	3 to 2 dis.	
5 E. I. Financial	7½	3 to 2	
2 Indian Carrying (Lim.)	1	1 d. par	
20 Mauritius Land Credit (Lim.)	2	1 d. to ½ pm.	
20 Madras Irrig. and Canal	10	1 d. par	
20 Do.	all	19½ to 20½	
10 Mediterra. Ext. Tel. (Lim.)	all	3½ to 4½	
20 Nerbudda Coal and Iron	5	3 to 1	
20 Do. New	6	1½ to 2	
10 North Assam Tea (Lim.)	1	1½ to 2 x n.	
20 Oriental Commercial	7	par to 1 pm.	
50 Oriental Financial	10	8 to 6 dis.	
1 Oriental Gas	all	1½ to 1½ x d.	
1 Do. New	all	1½ to 1½ pm.	
20 Oriental Inland Steam A. (L.)	all	2½ to 3½	
50 P. and O. Steam Nav. Co.	all	80 to 82	
50 Ditto New	35	24 to 25 pm.	
10 Upper Assam Tea	3½	24 to 3½ pm.	
10 Ditto	all	17 to 20	

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SUMMARY AND REVIEW.

WE have received our usual files of papers from Calcutta to the 17th of May, Madras to the 13th, and Bombay to the 23rd of the same month. The Bombay mail overtook that of Calcutta, and both arrived at the same time, on the night before the date at which they were expected, at Marseilles.

Commercial affairs occupy an important place in the accounts from Calcutta and Bombay. At Calcutta the reaction which usually follows speculative excitement had been felt, but the mercantile position of the Presidency was generally sound, and money easily obtained at moderate rates. "Ease and extreme caution" were said to be the prevailing features at the latest date—a very happy state of things compared with that at Bombay, which city is described as having fallen from the height of prosperity to the lowest deep of adversity, with a swiftness unparalleled in the history of any commercial nation. Scrip of all kinds, in which paper millionaires reckoned their fortunes, had become absolutely unmarketable; and at the lowest computation, says the *Bombay Gazette*, the loss caused during the last three months by a depreciation in the value of shares which speculators will be called upon to make good amounts to not less than £30,000,000 sterling. The fictitious capital, the writer adds, which the

share-list exhibited some time ago had, in fact, never existed in Bombay. A comparatively small capital, skilfully handled by two or three men who held the strings and made the puppets of the share market move as they wished, had been invested over and over again in one new company after another, and as uniformly withdrawn whenever the shares reached a high premium, and were freely sold for delivery at some future date. This time-bargaining, or lending money on time bargains, soon became the principal business of banks and financials, managed by men who had no acquaintance with the first principles of monetary science, and the consequence was that all the joint-stock banking associations in the place were left with their coffers empty of money, but full of one another's shares. For a time they waited quietly, but confidently, the coming of the period when they would realise their gains; but as the day of reckoning approached, and men began to think actually of paying for the shares which till then they had held on credit, there arose a demand for money which Bombay not only has not now but never had the means to supply—the result being a panic which threatens to be the most disastrous of modern times.

As regards general news the prominent topic in Calcutta was the alleged intended retirement of Sir John Lawrence from the Viceroyalty. Sir John, it is said, objects to the electric telegraph, especially when there is a minister at the London end of the wires who likes to have his own way. He complains that he has no independent authority, as he had in the Punjab, and that while he has all the work and the responsibility, the Indian Secretary gains all the honour and glory. This, at least, is the common report, and it receives some confirmation from the fact that the Governor-General is selling his stud. It is also believed in Calcutta that Sir Bartle Frere is really about to vacate his post, as was reported a mail or two ago, and an up-country paper goes so far as to name Mr. Ellis or Mr. Mansfield as his probable successor. In Bombay, however, the latter report is stoutly contradicted by the press, and one of the papers is especially contemptuous

concerning the suggestions of a successor, declaring that even were Sir Bartle to resign, the Man in the Moon would have a better chance of succeeding him than either of the above gentlemen. The idea of Sir John Lawrence's retirement is also received with incredulity in Bombay; but this may be attributable to presidential jealousy.

The scheme of a Grand Industrial Exhibition for Calcutta in 1869 is in a fair way of realisation, the Home Government having sanctioned an outlay of two lacs of rupees for the erection of an appropriate building. It is suggested that the design of the structure should be thrown open to public competition, so that it may not be more ugly than need be. There is also a good time coming for Calcutta, in the way of water supply. The scheme of Mr. Clarke, the municipal engineer, for carrying out this important object, has been adopted by the Justices of the Peace; but as the work will cost fifty lacs of rupees, it is possible that the Government will prove a check upon the imagination of its advocates, more especially as the public are said to be directly opposed to the project. Among other changes in the City of Palaces, may be noticed the introduction of omnibuses, and carts for watering the roads.

Less fortunate in every way than Calcutta, Bombay has been obliged to abandon its scheme for an International Exhibition in 1857. A joint-stock company was found impracticable for the purpose, so a hint was taken from home, and the plan of guarantees resorted to. But this too has failed. Such guarantees as had been obtained are now withdrawn, on account of the state of the market, which will not allow of even rich men risking money in vanities. By way of some little consolation the Bombay gas works have been completed, and were to have been opened on the 26th of May. They occupy a large area of ground at Chinchpoughly, and have been erected under the supervision and control of Mr. Proud, resident engineer.

There has been a notable failure at Bombay—the firm of Byramjee Hormusjee Cama having "gone." The liabilities are estimated at £3,300,000. Trustees have been appointed, and a deed of assignment of the estate has been made over to them. It is expected that the assets will realise fifteen shillings in the pound.

Outbreaks of cholera still continued in many parts of the country. Among other

places it had made its appearance at Dum Dum. In H.M.'s 11th Regiment, at Fyzabad, nine men had been attacked in a few days, and five of them were carried off. The regiment had in consequence been moved into camp on the Lucknow road. A species of plague had also broken out among the native community at Pahlampur, in Guzerat, and caused a great deal of alarm in the neighbourhood. Government had at once ordered medical assistance to the spot.

"The Fatal March from Mhow" has been explained in a Government notification, which throws the blame upon Major General Green, who, contrary to current belief, it seems, did *not* warn the military authorities of his fear of cholera when asked if the detachment should march, except indeed incidentally, and in relation to another subject, and too late to be of any avail. He is also considered by Government to have improperly assumed that the affirmative reply fettered his discretion in the matter.

It was stated on the authority of the *Lahore Chronicle* that Azim Khan and his followers had been attacked and put to flight, at Dargi, by Hisamooddeen, the Governor of Khost.

Some news from Central Asia, which may be included in the numerous category of "important if true," has been published by the morning papers on the authority of one of Mr. Renter's telegrams from Tiflis. The account will be found elsewhere. Its authenticity has been impugned by a correspondent of the *Times*, and there are certainly suspicious appearances which suggest the necessity for confirmation.

A few hours before the Calcutta mail left, a fine ship called the *Hecuba*, from Liverpool, while going alongside the railway jetty at Howrah, struck upon the wreck of the *Azemia*, sunk during the cyclone, and knocked a hole in her bottom. She was said to be sinking. She was laden with railway material and locomotives.

We observe that the Government tea plantations and factories in Kumaon, the Dehra Dhoon, and the Kangra Valley in the Punjab, are put up for sale. The conditions may be learned from a notification in another column.

The next arrival from India will be the Calcutta mail, which may be expected at Marseilles on the 26th, and Southampton on the 30th inst.

GREAT DEFEAT OF THE RUSSIANS IN KHOKAN.

[REUTER'S EXPRESS.]

TIFLIS, May 17.

The progress of the Russian arms in Central Asia has just received a serious check. Hitherto everything had favoured the progress of General Endokimoff, whose successes were as much due to the exertions of Prince Gortschakoff as to the military talents of the generals of the Czar. Having made friends of the important population belonging to the Khanat of Khokan, called Kaissans, General Endokimoff carried his army of 40,000 or 50,000 infantry, with a proportionate force of cavalry and artillery, into those districts of Central Asia, knowing well how far he could count upon his people. By this means, on the side of the Lake Aral, the Russians, without

striking a blow, obtained possession of the fortress of Ak Medjid, a place of great strategic importance, near the mouth of the Sir-Darid. They claimed the fortress as having been sold to them by the late Khan of Khokan, now in exile at Bokhara, Koadaiar Khan. On the side of Turkistan the Russians, after a fifteen days' march, advanced to Kodja-Ahmed, the Tesak of the Russians, and from thence, after another march of six days, they reached the fortress of Tchimkett, otherwise known as Toumkat, a place only three or four days' march from Tachkend. This progress of the Russians, made without firing a shot, was altogether due to the assistance and countenance of the Kaissaks, who, partly on account of their Russianised habits, and partly owing to their wealth in cattle, which causes them to desire the protection of the Russians, thus lend all the aid in their power to their projects of domination. The great object of the late march of the Russians has been to obtain possession of the town of Tachkend, as occupying a point strategically the most favourable to their views, being on one side the key to the Khanat of Khokan, and on the other seriously threatening the Khanat of Bokhara, if the latter ventured to offer any assistance to the former. General Endokimoff, after his march of twenty-one days, was able to arrive almost at the gates of Tchimketi, and he attempted to obtain possession of the place with the future view of the occupation of Tachkend. He imagined, it would seem, that the Khokanese commander would at once open the gates, and little anticipated that in place of an easy conquest he would find the Regent of Khokan, the Emir Mera-Ali-Khanli, at the head of a numerous force, ready to oppose him. The Russian general, seeing the place in a perfect state of defence, with a battery of fifty cannon, gave up all idea of attacking it, and gave battle instead to the Emir. The conflict was a bloody one, and ended in the defeat of the Russians, who were compelled to fall back upon Hodja Ahmee with a precipitancy which amounted to a flight. The Kokanese had about 1,000 killed and wounded, and the Russians, it is said, about four times that number. No doubt General Endokimoff will endeavour at the earliest opportunity to retrieve this disaster, but it will be difficult for him to take Tchimketi, not only on account of the strength of the place, but of the spirit of the inhabitants, which is now thoroughly roused. The Regent is thoroughly aware of the importance of the post, and has mustered an army of 150,000 highly efficient troops for its defence. It is now certain that the Khan of Bokhara has not only sent a sum of money to the assistance of Khokan, but is at the head of a large army of observation on the frontier, in the neighbourhood of Samarland.

Casualties by Death in the Armies of India reported since last Publication.

H.M.'s FORCES.—Lieut. W. H. Laurence, 9th Lancers, at Dublin, May 28, aged 29. Lieut. H. W. Reid, Rifle Brigade, at Barritz, May 23, aged 24. Capt. A. J. Schreiber, H.M.'s 31st Regt., at Annaghmore House, Innishannon, May 28, aged 33. Capt. L. H. Thomas, H.M.'s 91st Regt., at St. Heliers, Jersey, May 31, aged 30.
BENGAL.—G. n. J. Truscott, H.M.'s Bengal Army, at Daulish, aged 87, June 12. Maj. gen. S. G. Wueler, at Chetoura, near Agra, May 8.

Passengers by the present Mail.

FOR MARSEILLES.—Lieut. Low, Mr. Gulock, Cornet Neave, Capt. Boulerson, Mr. C. H. Bayley, Mr. Barker, Lieut. Toker, Maj. Cove, Mr. and Mrs. Longland, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Allen, Mr. J. H. Colvin. FOR SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. and Mrs. Nicholls and two children, Mr. B. Kershaw, Maj. Hodgson, Dr. Campbell, Mr. Beaton, Mr. J. Sturmer, Capt. and Mrs. De Sault and family, Capt. and Mrs. Corbett, Mr. Barlow, Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins and children, Mr. Weldon, Mrs. Penfold and two infants, Capt. and Mrs. Forbes and family.

Expected at Southampton.

Per str. *Masilha*.—From CALCUTTA.—Maj. Hodgson, Dr. Campbell, Mr. Sturmer, Capt. and Mrs. De Sault and infant, Mrs. Beecham and two children, Capt. and Miss Corbett, Mr. Barlow, Mr. and Miss Jenkins and child, Mr. Weldon, Mrs. Penfold and two infants, Capt. and Mrs. Forbes and five children, Mr. Eyre, Mr. Green, Mrs. Cooke and child, Mr. Waites.

BENGAL.

REPORTED RETIREMENT OF SIR JOHN LAWRENCE AND SIR BARTLE FRERE.

We take the following from the *Hurkaru*:—The topic of the hour just now is the resignation of Sir Bartle Frere and the rumoured retirement of Sir John Lawrence. Sir Bartle Frere has suffered much at the hands of Sir Charles Trevelyan, and it is said his resignation is due to a snubbing he received from Sir C. Wood at the instance of our late financial Minister. Sir John Lawrence has ordered his stud to be sold, and *on dit* says he, too, is annoyed at the way in which he is checked by the Secretary of State. He is said to have remarked that he has less freedom of action now than when he was Lieutenant-governor of the Punjab. Sir Charles Wood has all the power and Sir John all the responsibility and all the blame. India will yet have to be governed in India.

The *Englishman* alludes to the same subject:

—“A difference has arisen between the Government of India and Bengal, in which the usual obstructiveness of Sir John Lawrence is once more exhibited, and once more shows that he is not the man for the time. It appears that he some time ago requested the Government of Bengal to submit to him all Bills containing penal clauses before introduction into the Council, a plan so evidently inconsistent with the independence of the Council, and the purpose for which it exists, that the Bengal Government have courteously, but firmly, declined to comply. It is generally believed that Sir John Lawrence's Indian career will terminate during the ensuing cold weather. His retirement will, we regret to say, be as acceptable as it is probable, and is no doubt earnestly desired by himself. His peculiar excellencies, and we do not deny that he has many, are not such as to be called forth by the present condition of the country; his peculiar deficiencies are such as the present wants of the country make particularly conspicuous and pernicious. Sir Bartle Frere has resigned the Governorship of the Bombay Presidency, at which no one is surprised who has observed the pertinacity with which the Secretary of State and the Government of India have snubbed him, whenever his views have been more liberal than theirs. He had not the faculty of concealing wants and dangers for which it did not suit the pocket or the policy of the Government of India to provide a remedy.

THE CONVEYANCE OF THE OVERLAND MAILS.

It is not long since we referred editorially to the inconvenience and unremunerative expense of the present arrangements with the Peninsular and Oriental Company, for the conveyance of the Overland Mails. A glance at any map of Europe, exhibiting the lines of railway, will be sufficient to show that our postal system is behind, not only the requirements, but the opportunities, of the age. While people are dreaming about the probability of some day travelling by railway from London to Bombay, without changing carriages, in seven days—while millions are being squandered upon a canal which when finished can never be of any use—the means for speedier and more efficient transit from India to England actually exist, if we would only avail ourselves of them. The *Times of India*, of the 2nd instant, publishes a letter from Mr. Robert Knight, urging India to carry out a project which she should have been the first to suggest, and which should have been by this time in full train. By supplementing the mails at present sent from Bombay, via Southampton and Marseilles, by the despatch of others via Falmouth and Brindisi, we should save at least four days upon the time of transit by the present route,

and, at the same time, secure a means of weekly communication which could be depended on with confidence. Southampton and Marseilles, remarks the writer of the letter in question, can be regarded only as ports provisionally selected pending the completion of the railway systems of Europe. So far as passengers and mails are concerned, it may, with equal truth, be said that Calcutta can only be regarded as a port provisionally selected pending the completion of the railway system of India. Falmouth, besides being the nearest port to India, is now in direct and easy communication by rail with every centre of commerce in Great Britain. It is undoubtedly the right point of departure for all the Indian and Mediterranean mails. "Situating," says Mr. Knight, "at the entrance of the channel, and, therefore, free from the dangers and delays incidental to its navigation, with splendid dock and railway accommodation, it is accessible at all times of the tide, and in all weathers, with comparative ease and safety. The homeward mails could be forwarded thence simultaneously to London, and to the great commercial centres of the North, while the outward ones would be despatched in the same manner." The advantage of Brindisi over Marseilles is even still more striking than that of Falmouth over Southampton, the distance between it and Alexandria being about eight hundred miles less than between the latter port and Marseilles. From the prospectus of the Central European Railway Company, quoted by Mr. Knight, we learn that "a vote of 6,000,000 francs was passed, on the 23rd July last, by the Italian Chamber of Deputies, and has since been confirmed by the Senate, for the adaptation of the port of Brindisi to the requirements of the Indian and China trade." Nothing is left but for capitalists to come forward and organise a scheme, which cannot fail to be a most lucrative one, to unite the above-mentioned ports by a service of steamers of superior speed, and with a better accommodation for passengers than those of the Peninsular and Oriental Company. Bombay is, perhaps, as Mr. Knight says, the right point for the initiation of the scheme; but Calcutta should not be far behind Bombay in supporting it.—*Englishman*.

PROSPECTS OF PEACE WITH BHOOTAN.

Matters are slowly drifting towards peace in Bhootan. The recent report of the disaffection of Angdo Forung, the Jungpeen of Wandipore, gains strength, and so does the rumour that Tongssoo Penlow is not so influential as formerly. He gained his power by the exercise of qualities which would now seem to have degenerated into a stubborn pride, and a more than barbarian haughtiness and self-will. At the very commencement of the war, we find the Deb and Dhurm Rajahs anxious to throw off a yoke which he rendered intolerably heavy, and which he was only able to keep upon their necks by the assistance of the Jungpeen, who would now seem to have abandoned his cause. The disaffection and dislike of the Durbar was quickened by the results of Tongssoo's brutality on the occasion of the reception of the embassy, and there was always a party ready to turn the slightest wavering of the Rajahs to the disadvantage of the dictator. The Paro Penlow had been the chief supporter of the Deb Rajah, whom Tongssoo Penlow immured in a monastery, and he, as a matter of course, rallied round himself all those who fancied they had cause to fear or dislike his enemy. Paro Penlow has all along striven to re-establish peace, and has all along been in communication with the civilians who accompanied the force. The defeat at Dewangiri, although but a trifling affair, would seem to have dispirited the Bhootas, who have never any very great stomach for hard fighting, and to have consequently

shaken their faith in Tongssoo Penlow's defensive measures and the protection of the army of gods he has invoked. Matters are decidedly taking a peaceful turn, as we find the Government have issued instructions to Colonel Haughton, the political agent with the force, by which he is empowered to entertain any propositions having for their object the restoration of peace, provided they are made by persons properly authorised. He is not, however, authorised to consider any terms which may be submitted to him or to give any pledge. All the Bhoota proposals will have to be submitted to the Viceroy through the Government of Bengal. This is rather a roundabout mode of procedure, and considering that whilst the Secretary to the local Government is in Calcutta, the Lieutenant-governor is at Bhaugulpore, and the Viceroy at Simla, it promises to create a very great and undesirable delay. It would be far more reasonable to furnish Colonel Haughton with instructions as to the terms the Government would consent to, leaving him to get as much better terms as he could, and maintaining a reference only in case of a wide divergence on the part of the enemy. We trust, too, that the Government, in any negotiations which may arise, will consider the expediency of securing our frontier by some better arrangement than the mere extension of the boundary to the northern edge of the Terai.—*Hurkaru*.

THE TRIBES ON THE N.W. FRONTIER.

All along the frontier of the Punjab on the North and West are found various tribes of fierce and warlike savages, with whom the British Government is being continually brought into contact. It was only the other day we reported that the tribes about Peshawur, the Momunds—were uneasy and restless, and inclined to forget all the lessons read them of the power of the Government, not only to repress, but to punish any acts of violence they might commit. We next had to record the outbreak of the Wuzerees in front of Tank. There seems ever a constant ripple of plunder and fighting running up and down the frontier. At one time the Swatees are more than usually stirred by an access of fanaticism, at another the Wuzerees are more than usually inclined to assert their pretensions to be the freest, as well as the bravest and most predatory of the tribes. From Peshawur to Derah Futeh Khan, the tribes are Pathian, south of this place they are Beloochees. The Pathan tribes are essentially savages, tinctured only with a peculiar fanaticism as Mahommedans. Their want of faith has become a proverb in India, and they are considered as only beaten in this respect by the unscrupulous and treacherous Cashmerian. Their training makes them men of the sword, and a Pathan mother has been known to pray that her son might become a great and successful robber, just as in England a mother might pray for her son to become distinguished for his wisdom and uprightness. But if the Pathan tribes are notorious as marauders, the Belooch tribes are even more so. They are at constant feud with themselves, and those near Derah Futeh Khan have an especial and ceaseless enmity to the neighbouring Pathan tribes. Their hills are, however, somewhat more remote than those of the Pathans, and advantage has been taken to place the chiefs of the tribes in the plains in charge of the passes nearest their own villages; by this means incursions are to a large extent checked. But with men so prone to take sword and matchlock in the hope of securing the hoard of some villager, or the well-laden camel of the merchant, no arrangement can be considered altogether faultless. They will break through and exercise their peculiar vocation in spite of all efforts to prevent them. Just now they are again in motion—this time, however, towards

the Pathan border rather than towards the plains. Reports have come in that they have attacked the Osteranis, and that in consequence the frontier is in a very disturbed state. It will be many, many years before it is otherwise. These tribes, whether Pathan or Belooch, are independent in a great measure, and even when any clan has been gained over, to take land at the foot of the hills, and to give up the *tulwar* for the plough, they are apt to keep up close relations with their brethren on the hills, and to retreat to their old haunts, or to the villages on the hills on very slight provocation. It is only by a strong and active border force, keeping them back to the hills, that we can hope the example of those of the tribes that have settled in the plains will gradually have its proper effect. The work to be done by the British derives much of its difficulty from the want of a strong and stable Government in the hills able and willing to keep the tribes in order.—*Hurkaru*.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MAJOR DIXON.—The following appeared in many of the Indian journals a few weeks ago:—"Major Dixon, an officer now serving in Mysore, we observe, has been called upon by the Home Government for an explanation of his conduct in neglecting to provide for the support of his children in England."—*Hurkaru* (*vide Bangalore Herald*, April 1). With reference to the above, which, looking at it as it stands, is likely to reflect great discredit on the gallant officer in question, it affords us much pleasure to state that the complaint alluded to is entirely without foundation. After an attentive and unbiassed perusal of the official documents that we have seen, and which are alluded to in the subjoined letter from Major Dixon, exculpatory of that officer, tendered through Mr. Bowring to Sir Charles Wood, and which we have good reasons for believing are perfectly satisfactory, we can only say that with the major we think the complaint preferred by Surgeon-major Alfred H. Cheke, of H.M.'s Bengal army, both unjust and unbrotherly, besides being most uncalled for, from the very fact of the answer to the complaint in question being simply that at the very time he (the major) received it he held a receipt for the usual quarterly remittance in his hand.—*Hurkaru*.

MR. HENRY C. HAMILTON, opium agent of Benares, after a service of thirty-five years has applied for permission to retire on the pension of his rank. Mr. C. F. Carnac, late inspector-general of police in Bengal, has been appointed to succeed Mr. Henry Hamilton as opium agent at Ghazee-pore, on a salary of Rs. 30,000 per annum. In consequence of this appointment the following promotions are to take place shortly:—Mr. F. B. Simson, additional judge of Jessore, to be district judge on the establishment. Mr. H. B. Lawford, officiating additional judge of Jessore to be confirmed in the latter appointment. Mr. H. Muspratt, officiating magistrate, collector and salt agent of Balasore to the appointment permanently of a 2nd grade magistrate and collector.

STATUS OF NATIVE CHIEFS.—The *Hurkaru* says:—"In the time of the Company it was the practice to consider that native chiefs in their own territories were to be addressed as if they were actually independent kings by the political agents deputed to their courts. The custom by some means or other attracted the attention of the Home Government, and orders have consequently been passed to discontinue the practice. The step is a wise one, and one that was needed, but Sir Charles Wood ought to have thought of it before passing his absurd order giving Royal salutes to many of the very chieftains whom he now rules are not to be considered as enjoying the full privileges and dignity of 'royalty.'"

THE EX-KING OF OUDE.—From a Lucknow newspaper we have an amusing sketch of the private life of the poor ex-King at Garden Reach. A young sister of his, who resides in Lucknow, lately returned from a visit to his Majesty. She speaks of her reception having been most enthusiastic by her brother; but says that he was so surrounded by new faces that it was impossible to have any quiet or private talk with him. He has spent lacs upon his pseudo-marriages, and lacs more on the purchase of houses in Garden Reach for the accommodation of his fast increasing number of wives. He is said to be the owner of no less than fifty or sixty houses in Calcutta, besides being the rentee of some ten or twelve more. He lately paid a greasy Bengalee a lac for a menagerie on the Dunn Dum road, to which he has been adding white monkeys, for which he has given a thousand rupees each, and a couple of alligators, for which he paid enormously, because some one assured him that in the stomach of one precisely similar to these a live child was found! His stock of pigeons consists of some twenty thousand of every breed of that feathery tribe. Each breed and colour has a house to itself; thus there are several houses occupied by pigeons only. For horses, strange to say, his Majesty has no particular partiality, and his stables contain some of the greatest screws in Calcutta, but for which, nevertheless, he has given the most fabulous prices; indeed, the people of Calcutta—house-builders, horse-dealers, carriage-manufacturers, cabinet-makers, fiddlers, and dancing-girls—have each and all made their fortunes from the reckless extravagance of the ex-King. Not only does his lac a month go, but, during the eight years he has been in Calcutta he has run through two millions worth of gold mohurs that he took with him from Lucknow, and eighty lacs more that he realised by the sale of jewels at Hamilton's, who thus realised eight lacs by commissions alone, to say nothing of what they made from cheap purchases of, probably, the best articles. It is said that the other day he made up his mind to apply to the Queen to allow him a trial at playing the "merry monarch" again in Oudh. The proposition was to contain the condition that if he failed to give satisfaction in three years, he was to be removed at the expiration of that period, with the forfeiture of all future claims for pensions, &c., on the British Government. But it seems he thought better over it; and, moreover, being informed that the Governor-General had already stated his unwillingness to forward any application or appeal from his Majesty to the Queen, there was an end of the matter.—*Harkaru.*

ABANDONMENT OF MUTTRA.—We learn that, after very many reports on the subject, at length official communication has been received in more than one department that Muttra is given up as a cavalry station, and the present regiment merely remains, while accommodation is being found for it elsewhere. Government, of course, does not give the reasons at the moment, together with the notice. They are, however, generally supposed to be chiefly these, viz.:—1. The anomaly of cavalry being located at a distance of forty miles from the artillery, with a very bad road to boot. 2. The policy of advancing European troops nearer the frontier line, extending from Cabool to Bhootan, and 3. That in the Muttra district, where the principal natives are of the trading, and not the military caste, the body of police are sufficient for keeping peace and order.

A PARCELS DELIVERY COMPANY FOR CALCUTTA.—Calcutta is promised a *bona fide* Parcels Delivery Company, which shall do for it what is now done by the ubiquitous exacting coolie. For our lives we do not see why such a company, properly managed, should not succeed, and in the interests of the public ease and comfort we wish its projectors success.—*Harkaru.*

COLONEL DURAND.—The *Friend of India* says:—The appointment of Colonel Durand as Military Member of the Council is an instance of justice delayed so long as to be almost valueless. Col. Durand is the victim of his advocacy of the interests of the Company's local army. When Sir James Outram left India in a dying state, and after a short residence in England insisted on returning to his post in the Calcutta Council, Sir Charles Wood, we believe, asked Colonel Durand, whom Lord Stanley had made a member of the Secretary of State's Council, to exchange seats with Sir James. Colonel Durand consented. Lord Canning was eager for the arrangement, partly to save Sir James Outram's life, and partly that he might again avail himself of Colonel Durand's services. But the late Prince Consort could not forgive the Colonel's determined advocacy of the local army, and accordingly the Crown gave Sir James Outram's seat to Sir Robert Napier. Lord Canning did his best to undo the wrong by inviting Colonel Durand to fill the office of Foreign Secretary. It has been truly said of Lord Elgin's administration that then the Government of India consisted of Mr. Maine and Colonel Durand. When they agreed, Lord Elgin acted, when they differed, he did nothing. So high was his appreciation of the Foreign Secretary, that he distinctly informed more than one official of his intention to appoint him Lieutenant-governor of the Punjab, when—unfortunately for his own interests, as it would now seem—Colonel Durand advised Lord Elgin to accede to the request of both Sir Robert Montgomery and Mr. Macleod for another year of office. In the discussions which are impending on the two great questions of the Staff Corps, and the relation of our feudatories to the Crown, the new member will adequately supply an element much needed in the Council.

A WEEKLY MAIL FOR INDIA.—A Calcutta paper says:—"As we anticipated, the movement which has taken place in England, for the despatch of the mails for India on fixed days of the week instead of certain dates of the month, is only the beginning of a much-needed reform. We are surprised that so little has been done in Calcutta to help on the movement. The press has, indeed, spoken with a unanimity which can scarcely be mistaken; but something more is required. Things and men do not move here of themselves. There is a large amount of pressure required to obtain a very small reform, there is a tedious course of circumlocution to be gone through on the most direct and common sense subjects; as if any straightforward course were necessarily wrong or the least efficient. We are glad to perceive that the Chamber of Commerce of Bombay has taken up the question. They have addressed a memorial to Lord Stanley of Alderley, the Postmaster General, in reference to the proposed change in the despatch of the mail from England, and the necessity of a corresponding alteration at this end of the line. We do not wish to find fault with the people of the Western Presidency for drawing his lordship's attention to the want of a 'weekly mail communication from Bombay to England;' but we should have preferred to see the question put on the broader ground of India. Of course the people of Bombay are best able to speak on their own wants, and to suggest what should be done to meet them. What we regret is that in a matter affecting the interests of the whole of India, Bombay should be left to speak alone. If they can obtain a weekly mail, of course the rest of India would partake of the advantage. But why does not Calcutta also arise to the necessity of the occasion, and add the weight of her influence to the application to the Post Master General?"

PAUPER HOSPITAL.—The sum of Rs. 35,000 has been placed at the disposal of the Bengal P.W.D. for the construction of a pauper hospital in Amherst-street.

THE WUZEREES.—The *Englishman* says:—"Several reports have reached us regarding the disturbed state of that portion of the north-west frontier of the Punjab inhabited by the Wuzerees. They occupy the chain of hills the foot of which skirts the border line for a distance of sixty miles, extending from the limit of the Kohat district to the Galeree Pass, embracing to the north the Bahadoor Hills, and to the south the fertile plains of Murwut and Tank. The hills, barren and rugged in their general aspect, are intersected by passes and deep ravines, some of which are of considerable importance to these marauding tribes, who are masters of all the defiles through which the traffic of Cabul finds its way into our provinces. The key of the highway to India is the Galeree Pass; it connects the Upper Provinces with Cabul, Candahar, and Central Asia. The next pass of any importance is Jurduk, the main road between Bunnoo and Kohat; and through this pass the traffic is but of trifling importance in comparison to the more important trade of Galeree. The light of civilisation has scarcely found its way among the savage races that inhabit these hills. Of a warlike and indomitable character, they are very difficult of restraint. The race of the Wuzerees, descended originally from the fierce tribes of Cabul, have inherited all the wild and martial qualities of their ancestors; they bear all the impress of men accustomed to a life of freedom and independence, and are impatient of all control; they answer in great measure to what history teaches us of the primitive clans of the Highlands. Within the last few years they would seem to have extended their cultivation, and some of the tribes are reported to have crossed the border and settled under British protection. With these and the inhabitants of the valley formerly occupied by the Bunnoo tribes, a land revenue settlement was made by the British Government as early as 1847, and since that period they have maintained friendly relations with the authorities, in whom they repose the utmost confidence. Our space will not permit us to enter into a detail of the various tribes of the race holding these mountainous tracts. Like all savages, their allegiance to the British Government lasted so long as they thought they had no subject of complaint, and we all know how easy it is for a barbarous people to find an excuse to break through the bonds of restraint. Measures have been taken to force them back into their mountain passes. A blockade and a few hostages will probably be sufficient. The Nawab of Tank has declined to act against them."

BAROO SHIB CHUNDER MULLICK has kindly placed at our disposal some silver coins, found upon the Soonderbun, lot 211. The coins are in a good state of preservation, and the inscription is remarkably well defined. In weight they are something more than the current rupee. By the assistance of the Secretary of the Asiatic Society, who has favoured us with the meaning of the inscription, we learn that the legend on the obverse is,—"The most powerful Sovereign Ghias-ood-dunya-wa-ood-deen. The victorious Balban, the Sultan." That on the reverse runs,—"The Imam-ool-Mustassem, Commander of the Faithful." It is added that Ghias-ood-deen was tenth monarch of the Pathan dynasty, from which our readers will be able to judge for themselves of the antiquity of the coin, and of the settlements in the Soonderbuns. Near where the coins were discovered were found the remains of buildings, with stone door-posts, each door-post being in one block, and covered with inscriptions.—*Harkaru.*

THE LEFT WING OF THE 18TH N. I., under command of Captain Allen, stationed at Tez-pore, in Assam, has been ordered to Bhaugul-pore, and not to Hazareebagh, as was previously supposed.

OPENING OF THE LAHORE AND MOOLTAN RAILWAY.—LAHORE, *April 24.*—This morning at six o'clock, without the least formality or display of any kind, the long-looked for event of opening the Lahore and Mooltan Railway for public traffic took place. When I say without formality or display, I simply mean there was no special train run for the accommodation of the general public, or tiffin or refreshments of any description provided; passengers paid their fares as usual, and the train departed. Many, of course, proceeded to the station to witness the departure of the first passenger train to Mooltan, among whom was the Lieutenant-Governor and staff. I should judge by the large number of third-class passengers I saw eagerly endeavouring to obtain tickets that there was scarcely accommodation available for all that presented themselves, though the train was a very long one. At present I believe one train only for passengers and goods will run daily each way, leaving Mooltan and Lahore at 6 A.M., meeting half way at Montgomery, where there is a siding—the entire distance, including stoppages, being accomplished in about eleven hours. It is my opinion, however, that one train per diem each way will by no means meet the public requirements, and that it will be found necessary to have a separate train for goods only, and very possibly a night train for first and second-class passengers. Another shock of an earthquake was felt here yesterday morning (23rd), between two and three o'clock, of a much severer nature than the one I recorded having taken place a fortnight ago. The present one lasted probably half a minute, the vibration taking the same direction as the former one, from E. to W., and accompanied by a low rumbling sound. The atmosphere for several days previous, but more especially the day before, was oppressive in the extreme, the thermometer ranging 93 deg. in a room with punkah going—equal to our ordinary June weather. I have no doubt this shock was felt in other places round about, though I have not heard that it was so. The previous one was distinctly felt at Landour, some 400 miles from here.

ALLAHABAD, May 11.—Mr. G. P. Money, our Civil and Sessions Judge, has for the third time been appointed officiating commissioner of the Benares division, and will leave Allahabad in few days. He has already made over charge of his office to Mr. J. W. Sherer. You have probably heard that the Goruckpore division as the charge of a separate commissioner has been abolished. The division has been formed into two districts, those of Bustee and Goruckpore, and these two districts will in future form part of the Benares commissionership. It is, however, believed that the district of Jounpore, which at present belongs to the Benares division, will be transferred to that of Allahabad. This change will render the Allahabad division one of the largest in the North-Western Provinces. Mr. Wigram, the newly-appointed collector of the district of Bustee, and Mr. D. L. Sandford, deputy collector, have lately passed through the station to assume charge of their duties in the newly-formed district.

PROCEDURE OF THE CIVIL COURTS.—The report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill for Consolidating and Amending the Laws relating to the Procedure of the Courts of Civil Judicature in British India is thus noticed by the *Hurkaru*:—"In the outset of the report we are bidden to observe that the alterations made by the Committee in the Bill 'are to a great extent verbal, and that, with a very few exceptions, they do not affect the fundamental principles of the Bill as introduced.' The most important, involving questions of principle, are in the sections relating to the specific performances of contracts, and in the part of the code relating to reviews of judgments. The principal points in connection with the former consists in a recommenda-

tion that specific performance shall not be decreed of any contract the complete performance of which is necessarily extended over a longer period than five years. The power of judges of subordinate courts to review their own decrees and those of their predecessors having "led to considerable abuse," it is recommended "that the opportunity for this abuse should be taken away." On the other hand, it is suggested that an appeal ought to be allowed in respect of many orders passed in exemption of a decree which under the code as it now stands are not open to appeal. It is further proposed to arm the civil courts with power to punish witnesses for failing to attend when summoned instead of leaving the cases of persons so offending to be dealt with by the Criminal Courts. "The necessity for this provision in order to the due administration of justice has been strongly pressed by many judges, some of them of long standing and of considerable experience." After a variety of provisions for the institution of suits on behalf of parties under disabilities and declarations in respect of jurisdiction, the tribunals in which suits against Government are to be instituted and the verification of complaints filed on behalf of Government, it is suggested that "no Court shall make declaratory decree or order unless it could, if required, act upon it by giving consequential relief."

THE CONDEMNED MURDERER AHMED-OOLAH.—It is some years now since the English press was loud in its approval of Lord Canning's policy in bestowing offices of trust upon native gentlemen, Hindoo and Mahomedan, at a time even when the fierce passions excited by the mutiny were busy in the heart of every Englishman in India. Indiscriminate revenge the English papers were morally right in deprecating; and, at this distance of time, we can, in cooler blood, admit the fact. But the same cannot be done with regard to the policy of appointing natives to offices of trust, more especially when those natives had become objects of suspicion to men who knew them well. In the old days Mr. Taylor, of Patna, warned the Government that it was cherishing a deadly viper in its bosom—that Ahmed-oollah was a traitor at heart, urged on to consider his treason a virtue by the mistaken light of fanaticism. Subsequent events have shown how true this warning was, and what a lesson it teaches us for the future. The man who was considered so good and faithful a servant in 1857 has been convicted of high treason on the clearest evidence, sentenced to death, and only spared by a wise and merciful commutation of the sentence to that of transportation for life. We say "wise" advisedly, for, had the man been hanged, he would have become, in the eyes of fanatical Islam, a martyr to the true faith, just as was the Moslem who murdered Frazer, and at whose tomb in Delhi before the mutiny the lamps were lighted, while pilgrims bent to pay reverence to the "hanged martyr," who had died for the glory of their religion. But no such fate is in store for the baffled traitor of Patna. Stripped of his wealth, he will be sent, a chained convict, to the Andamans, not to be glorified as a martyr, but to be pointed out, like Mahomed Shuffee, as an unsuccessful failure, a beaten, foiled traitor, without sufficient capability to carry out his treason, and whose life the powerful Government of India did not think worth their while to take.—*Englishman*.

A SCANDAL IN BURMAH.—Some time ago there was considerable excitement created in the Tenasserim division on account of a charge of abduction having been brought against Colonel Fytche, the Commissioner, and Dr. Clarke. The charge was preferred by M. Grimbault, French Consul, and was handed up to the Supreme Government for investigation and decision. The Viceroy, after a careful consideration of the case, has come to the conclusion that Colonel Fytche and Dr. Clarke

are innocent, and that the charge of their abducting Miss Hilley was both false and unfounded, and further, that the French Consul at Moulmain had not the slightest grounds for making it. In the opinion of the Viceroy the conduct of these officers, under the circumstances, was not only perfectly honourable, but kind and considerate. They acted their part as gentlemen should do. The friends of Colonel Fytche and Dr. Clarke will rejoice with them in their exoneration from a charge of having committed as unworthy an action as can well be conceived.—*Hurkaru*.

GOVERNMENT GRANTS.—The grant for 1865-66 for the Bengal Public Works Department is Rs. 68,00,000, of which 12½ lacs are for establishment. For barracks for European troops at Barrackpore and Sinchal a lac and a half has been allotted. The native troops on the North Eastern Frontier are also to have barracks, at the cost of one lac; while the house for officers quarters at Alipoor is to have half a lac. For the water supply in Fort William the grant of half a lac has been given, but as there is no authority for the expenditure, except an estimate of Rs. 21,000 for excavating an additional tank, the grant is made with the distinct understanding that no expenditure is to be incurred except upon sanctioned estimates. The proportions allotted to the different departments are as follows:—Military, 11½ lacs; Civil buildings, 20 lacs; Agricultural, 7½ lacs; Communications, 19 lacs; and Miscellaneous, 15,000.

MEDICAL.—A reference having been made to the Government of Bengal regarding the pay and allowances of Doctor Jackson, the Medical Officer of Balasore, in consequence of his having claimed more than Rs. 300 per mensem, which is the maximum amount fixed by the Financial Department as the salary of an Uncovenanted European medical officer, it has been decided by the Lieut.-governor that the orders of the Supreme Government were not intended to have retrospective effect, and that the pay and allowances drawn by Doctor Jackson when in medical charge of the civil station of Sumbulpore under the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces, should be continued to that gentleman during his incumbency of the Balasore appointment.

MYNPOORIE, May 9.—Mr. Wigram has gone to Bustee, to take up his duties as collector, Mr. Kaye, of your station, commanding here, to officiate in the place of the former. Mr. C. Maconaghy, our assistant, has been appointed to officiate as joint-magistrate in room of Mr. Chase, on leave to England. Mr. Wright, assistant magistrate, officiates as assistant superintendent of police. Major W. Davis has been transferred from the Agra division, and takes charge of the Allahabad, Benares and Jhansie divisions, as deputy inspector-general of police. Mr. Tyrwhitt took charge of the Agra division from the 1st inst., the services of two deputy inspectors-general having been dispensed with. This will be rather hard work for two officers, but they are both tried men, and no doubt the work will be done quite as well as before.—*Delhi Gazette*.

SCARCITY.—The *Lahore Chronicle* hears from Ellichpore, in Berar, that food is at famine prices, flour being at six seers for the rupee, and yet the ryots are rolling in wealth. The cotton cultivators have been clearing 120 rupees a beegah after paying all expenses. During the last two years it is calculated that upwards of 150 lacs have poured into the district from Bombay, for the purchase of cotton alone.

HIGH COURT.—On the retirement of the Honourable H. T. Raikes, the Hon. Elphinstone Jackson, at present officiating as a judge of the High Court, will be permanently appointed. Mr. A. R. Thomson, officiating as civil and Sessions judge of Nuddea, will thereupon be confirmed in the substantive judgeship, which now belongs to the Hon. Elphinstone Jackson.

BONUSES WANTED.—The *Delhi Gazette* says:—"We understand that the following officers of the Royal, late Bengal, Artillery are desirous of retiring from the service if they could only obtain a moderate bonus, viz., Colonel D. Reid, Lieutenant-Colonel Blunt, Majors Kennion and Dundas, and Captains Urquhart and Pixley. We would here quote from 'Observations on the Amalgamation of the Regiments of Royal and Indian Artillery and Engineers':—"But perhaps a more serious matter, especially to the older officers, is the extinction of the regimental retiring funds, by the action of which the evils of promotion by seniority had been greatly mitigated, at no cost to the State. These funds have been in action for many years with the knowledge and approval of the Government, and the older officers, who have paid large sums in the hope of receiving the retiring bonus in their turn, find themselves in jeopardy of losing their chance of it, for since no more appointments of officers are to be made to their regiments, it is plain that the means of contributing a bonus must gradually diminish with the number of officers." Can nothing be done to assist a regiment that has deserved so well of the Government? Where should we have been but for the Bengal Artillery that served before Delhi and in the Lucknow garrison?"

TRAFFIC IN GIRLS AS PRACTISED IN BENGAL.—The Viceroy has, we understand, in order to repress the practice of traffic in girls, carried on in Bengal for immoral purposes, lately expressed an opinion that a proclamation should be issued, or that recourse must be had to legislation to put down the practice in question. His Excellency, however, before taking measures to put a stop to the nefarious practice, asked the opinion of the Bengal Government and the Mofussil officers on the subject. The Mofussil officers reported that they are convinced of the existence of a species of domestic slavery, into which poor people voluntarily enter, and in which they remain contentedly enough, although they have at all times the means of terminating the connection between themselves and their masters; and they agreed that little girls are sold for the purpose of being brought up as prostitutes. At the same time, they were of opinion that the law in force provides sufficiently for the repression of the practice, and that, under repeated convictions in the Courts, it is being gradually abandoned. The Bengal Government was of opinion that neither proclamation nor legislation is requisite. The police are well able to check anything like the detention of servants by force, and against their will, and they ought also to be able to check the disposal of young girls for the objects mentioned.—*Englishman*.

THE CIVIL SERVICE.—An Oxford graduate, enticed into the Indian Civil Service, tells us that he has good reasons for knowing that members of the Civil Service, who belong to English universities, are writing home to warn their friends against entering the service if Mr. Cust's scheme is carried. He avers that men who have spent time and money on their education will not come out here to receive low pay with a certain prospect of its being periodically reduced. What class of society, then, will, under Mr. Cust's regime, furnish candidates for the Indian examination? We look to Mr. Cust for an answer.—*Delhi Gazette*, May 16.

THE 6TH N. I., having marched into Barrackpore on the 24th April, Colonel Matthews assumed command at that station. The arrival of the 6th N. I. will enable the wing of the 38th N. I., now at Barrackpore, to rejoin its head-quarters.

RESTORATION.—Quartermaster Lawrence, her Majesty's 51st Regiment, who was dismissed by sentence of a Court Martial at Rawul Pindia, about twelve or eighteen months ago, has been restored to the service on technical considerations.

A LEOPARD IN CANTONMENTS AT MEERUT.—A letter from Meerut, in the *Mofussilite*, gives a very curious story, which we subjoin in an abridged form:—Mr. Fane, of the Rifle Brigade, accompanied by another officer, was riding home about half-past six o'clock in the evening, on the road that leads from the Old Cutcherry to the Begum's bridge, when about two hundred yards from the bridge they saw some animal cross the road in front of them, coming over the nullah, and disappearing in a small enclosure on the left-hand side of the road. Thinking that it might possibly be a hyena or a wolf, it was decided to try and beat him out; but as Mr. Fane, who was in the open, was walking his horse (a little grey Arab) towards the bushes an enormous leopard, heralding his approach with two savage roars, charged straight at him. The horse swerved round to the right, and with one bound the brute was on him, seizing Mr. Fane's left arm above and below the elbow in his mouth, and inflicting some severe bites, but luckily breaking no bones. He got right upon the horse's back, his fore claws fitted on either side of the rider, and his hind claws on the horse's quarters. He loosed his hold almost instantaneously, and caused Mr. Fane to lose his balance; they both came to the ground together, and the leopard made off at once towards the Delhi road. He was ultimately pursued and shot.

PENA KA PANEE FOR CALCUTTA.—The *Hurkaru* notices a scheme of the justices for supplying the town with pure drinking water, at high pressure. The estimated cost of the proposed works is about fifty lakhs of rupees, involving an annual expenditure of five lakhs. Three lakhs of this it is proposed to levy by a general rate of three per cent. on the rental of houses, buildings, and lands within the town. Of the remainder, one lakh is to be paid by the municipality, out of its general funds, and one lakh is looked for from the sale of water by measurement, to parties having it laid on to their houses. The general rate of three per cent. will entitle to the free use of the water all those who choose to fetch it from tanks.

CALCUTTA seems to be blossoming all at once with unexpected blessings. Omnibuses may now be seen traversing our streets, and water-carts performing the function hitherto so imperfectly discharged by the overladen *Bhistee*. The former, it is true, are of a very humble character, and appear to be patronised by the poorer class only of the natives; while the latter have only a "co-ordinate jurisdiction"—as we believe our friends, the lawyers, term it—with the heroes of the *mussick*.—*Hurkaru*.

THE 31ST REGIMENT.—With reference to the future movements of the 31st Regiment, under command of Colonel Richards, we have been informed that the head-quarters and right wing of that regiment, now at Buxa, in the Bhootan Dooars, will probably have to proceed to Cawnpore, and that the left wing is to be permanently located at Dalimkote.

ASSISTANT-SURGEON D. B. SMITH.—The Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal has appointed Assistant-surgeon David Boyes Smith, M.D., of the Bengal Medical Establishment, to officiate as Superintendent-General of Vaccine, Professor of Midwifery in the Medical College at the Presidency and *ex-officio* Obstetric Physician at the College Hospital.

AGRA.—The officer commanding this station has granted leave of absence to Lieutenant-Colonel M'Leod, commanding the Royal Artillery, from the 17th May, to the hills, in anticipation of general leave on medical certificate, for which he has applied.

MESSRS. MARILLIER AND EDWARD, the large contractors, have been engaged by the Board of Directors of the Canning Land Reclamation, to construct twelve substantial jetties for the port of Canning, at a cost of one lac of rupees.

MAJOR J. EMERSON, of the Bengal Staff Corps, cantonment joint magistrate, and judge of the Court of Small Causes at Dinapore, has been compelled, owing to the state of his health, to apply for leave of absence for fifteen months on medical certificate, to proceed to England, under the new military furlough rules.—*Hurkaru*.

WE regret to learn that Mr. C. T. Metcalfe, deputy commissioner in the recently annexed territories in Bhootan, and Mr. Weldon, fourth grade district superintendent of police, are in a bad state of health, which will necessitate their proceeding to Europe on leave of absence on medical certificate for at least twelve months.

MR. W. H. BRODHURST.—Mr. W. H. Brodhurst, civil and sessions judge of the district of Sarun, now on privilege leave of absence at Mussoorie, will, it is said, very shortly retire from her Majesty's Civil Service, on the annuity of his rank.

OUDE COMMISSION.—Mr. J. C. Colvin, deputy-commissioner, has been allowed a furlough to Europe for three years.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 6. Benares, Noyes, Colombo.—7. Herald of the Morning, Helerethy, Melbourne.—8. Mary Fry, Naples.—9. Flower of the Forest, Bansley, Colombo.—10. Victory, Gibbons, Auckland.—Reizate, Deas, Liverpool.—Prince Charles, Irvine, Liverpool.—Garibaldi, Showers, Cardiff.—Zelva, Lang, Liverpool.—Star of Scotia, McDowell, London.—Lady Octavia, Welsh, London.—Susan Hinks, Attwood.—Urania, McLurish, Bombay.—11. City of Madras, Graham, London.—Osiris, Roger, Pondicherry.—White Jacket, Trevlock, Bombay.—Hecluba, Walker, Liverpool.—Houghton, Buckminster, Moulmein.—13. Punjab, McCullum, Singapore.—Souvenance, Brunstan, Nantes.—15. Vicksburg, Scott, Liverpool.—Glen Isla, Cowin, Bombay.—16. Souvenir, Cantor, Bourbon.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Reigate.—Miss Deas, Mrs. Caw and family.
Per Garibaldi.—Mrs. Showers.
Per Punjab.—Col. Fyche, Capt. Gordon, Dr. Squire, S. Grimes, Mr. Blamell.
Per Glen Isla.—Mrs. Cowin.
Per str. Candia.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—Capt. Watts, E. Rita, T. Tickell, W. Love, Mrs. Jordan, Mr. Biddleston, Col. Bagot, Miss Taylor, Mr. Abbott, Mr. Morris, Mr. Ramford, H. Hills. From MARSEILLES.—Mr. Woodbridge, Lieut. Col. Maxwell, Mr. McClelland, Lieut. Collett, Mary Kelly, Ens. Cutbill, Mr. Angelo, Madame Baudin, Capt. Ellice. From MALTA.—Mr. and Miss Howard. From SUEZ.—Maj. Johnston, J. Horn, D. Hautican, C. Bennington. From BOMBAY.—Mr. D. Henderson. From MADRAS.—Mr. Krauss, Mr. Halkett, Mr. Mangles.

DEPARTURES.

May 5. Erymanthe, Jellenne, Galle; Edendale, Ritchie, London.—7. Orissa, Ballantine, Chittagong and Akyab; Coleroon, Duncan, Colombo.—8. Cardross, Gilchrist, Rangoon and Moulmein; Alum Ghier, Davies, Mauritius; Pamplonenses, Courtois, Bourbon; Gustave and Louis, Bomean, Reunion Island.—9. Arabia, Patterson, Rangoon; Whirlwind, Hughes, Cochín; Porte de Bordeaux, Auger, Shanghai; St. Marc, Cavaio, Bourbon, via Mauritius.—10. Pride of the Ganges, Jack, China; Fatty Salam, Williams, Mauritius.—11. Bengal, Woolcott, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per str. Orissa.—For CHITTAGONG.—Mr. H. Davey and child, Mr. G. Durby and child, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dozoid.
Per str. Nada.—For MADRAS.—Capt. Gillam, two ladies and three children. For GALLE.—Mr. C. M. Alexander. For BOMBAY.—Mrs. A. Alone, Mr. and Mrs. Margaire, Mrs. N. E. Moorgault, Mr. M. B. Daly.
Per str. Erymanthe.—Mr. Cadell, Mrs. Cadell and two children, Mr. E. C. Brant and three children, Mr. H. B. Goo tall, Col. Stallard, Mr. T. Gillman, Mrs. James Young, Mrs. Stallard, Capt. Gendron, Lieut. T. B. Worgon, Lieut. A. A. Owen, Maj. Wardroper, Mrs. Wardroper and two children, Mrs. De-russy, Mrs. Fraser, Miss Fraser, Capt. Orr, Master Orr, Mr. Symes, Mr. William, Mrs. Orr, Miss Symes, Mrs. Orr and three children, Mrs. Fleetwood, William and two children, Mrs. Ford, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. E. Roquerlee, Mr. C. Forlong, Mr. James Edmund, Mr. John Forner, Mr. Davis, Madame Davis, Mr. Richard Dabreite, Mrs. William Child, Mrs. Crawford, Mr. A. Peneir D'Hauterive, Mrs. Gutherie and two children, Mons. Fictet.
Per str. Bengal.—For MADRAS.—Mr. A. H. Gray, Mr. Hugh Madwell. For BOMBAY.—Mr. H. James. For HONG KONG.—Lieut. H. H. Leeming, Lieut. C. J. Dooley. For ALEXANDRIA.—Mrs. Boghe and family, Mr. A. H. Brookes, Maj. and Mrs. Briggs, Dr. Williams. For MALTA.—Mr. W. Good. For MARSEILLES.—Lieut. Low, Mr. Gulock, Cornet Neave, Capt. Boulderson, Mr. C. H. Bailey, Mr. Barker, Lieut. Toker, Maj. Cove, Mr. and Mrs. Longland, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Allen, Mr. J. H. Colvin. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. and Mrs. Nicholls and two children, Mr. B. Kershaw, Maj. Hodgson, Dr. Campbell, Mr. Beaton, Mr. J. Sturmer, Capt. and Mrs. De Smidt and family, Capt. and Mrs. Corbett, Mr. Barlow, Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins and children, Mr. Wildon, Mrs. Penfold and two infants, Capt. and Mrs. Forbes and family.

H.M.'s Treasury Bills	None.
Bank of England Post Bills	None.
Mauritius Government Bills	Nominal.
Ceylon ditto	"
Court of Directors' Billon the Government of Bengal, 30 days' sight	None.
Agents' Bills on Calcutta, 30 days	1 per ct. dis.
Ditto on Bombay	1½ per ct. dis.

RATES OF ADVANCE.

On Govt. 5½ per cent. Promissory Notes	100 per ct.
Ditto 5 ditto ditto	95 per ct.
Ditto 4½ ditto ditto	90 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Stock Receipts	80 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto Promissory Notes Sierra	85 per ct.
Ditto 4 ditto ditto Company's	85 per ct.
Ditto 3½ ditto ditto ditto	— per ct.
On Tanjore ditto ditto ditto	98 per ct.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

5½ per cent. Loan	1859 ... 9½ to 10 pm
5 per cent. ditto	1856-57 ... 3 to 3½ pm
4 per cent. ditto	1852-53 ... 8½ to 9½ dis
Ditto	1853-54 ... 8½ to 9½ dis
Ditto	1854-55 ... 8½ to 9½ dis
5 per cent. Transferable Book Debt	No transaction.
Tanjore Bonds	1 per ct. dis.
Bank of Madras Shares	60 to 92 p.c. pm.

PRICE OF BULLION.

Sovereigns each Rs. 10-3-6

FREIGHTS.

Cotton to London and Liverpool.—£2. 5s. to £2. 7s. 6d.

BOMBAY.

A TRIBUTE TO THE CIVIL SERVICE.

"Tom Cringle" writes as follows in the *Times of India* of May 13:—"It is with sad and mournful feelings I witness the final departure of member after member of the old Civil Service. By the last mail went George Inverarity, by the mail previous to that departed his brother, John Duncan Inverarity, late member of Council. About the same period the brother of our respected Governor, Wm. Frere, Member of Council, also left; and last night the Hon. H. L. Anderson was the guest of a large number of his friends, who met to do honour to him previous to his leaving the loved field of his Indian labours. What a galaxy of statesmen and other officials, the Civil Service of the great and noble old East India Company fostered and brought forth—Clive, Hastings, Malcolm, Munro, Metcalfe, Raffles, the Elphinstones, the Freres, Clerk, Stanford (of Corygaum), Outram, the Lawrences, Pollock, Sale, Colvin, Jacob, Neill, Edwards, Trevelyan, Willoughby, Lumsden, the Inverarities, Erskine, S-ton Kerr. The honoured guest of yesterday even comes last, but not last in talent as a legislator, as a man of letters, a good Christian, a joyous companion; then his ready, responsive Chesterfieldian wit, which never missed its mark—but better still, a firm friend, and one whose purse was ever open to the needy; these qualities are not often found centred in one man.

"I do not think there is a man in Bombay who will not confirm the picture here drawn of the Honourable Henry Lacon Anderson, late Member of the Legislative Council of Calcutta. It used to be objected to the Civil Service of the old East India Company that it was a close service of relatives, shut to the vast outsider class who without its great and tried moral stamina were hungering for its loaves and fishes. The Civil Service of India is acknowledged by its enemies to have been the most honest and trusty body of servants that ever served a State; and was it not a wise course for its masters to pursue when they appointed the son to the same service in which the father had shed a halo of moral glory—a halo which reflected its brightness from father to son, and thus kept him in the path of duty and honour, and also secured the youth troops of friends in those who had known and loved the sire?"

"And by whom were these dashing warrior statesmen to be replaced in the revolution which disrupted every branch of the glorious services of the great East India Company? Why, by old young men, dressed in irreproachable black, with its collateral white choker—

decrepid youths with spectacles on nose; who, when asked to take amount, exclaimed, 'will he kick?' But I think John Bull only made one shipment or so of the class of youths whose brains had worn out nerves and muscles. He at once saw the contrast, and young men with the ring of the old metal quickly followed, one of whom was at the dinner to sing his parting poem in honest praise of his friend, and to pay a flood of glorious tribute to the Gamaliel at whose feet he had sat. I saw also, with a smile of sympathy, the worthy mentor put his arm lovingly on the shoulder of his pupil Raymond West, and say, 'This is he in whom is fulfilled the promise of his early career.'

"Let me say a parting word on one of the marked phases of Henry Lacon Anderson's character which was strangely overlooked by all the speakers last night. I allude to that evidence of nature's true nobility which is exhibited by his warm and genuine demeanour in his personal intercourse with all men, whether of high or low degree—whether to his equals in the durbar room, or to his subordinates in the Secretariate. It can be said of him that prosperity, which brings out hateful pride as a mangy distemper in the vulgar and ill-bred, has in him developed to the full all the highest elements of character which go to constitute the perfect gentleman. What a sampler for some in Bombay to study!"

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE RUMOURED RETIREMENT OF SIR BARTLE FRERE.—Two or three weeks ago a fiction was given birth to by a local contemporary that Sir Bartle Frere intended very shortly to resign his office of Governor of Bombay. We believe there is no truth whatever in the statement. It is renewed by a Mofussil paper, which professes to confirm the story. Some months ago there was a probability of Sir Bartle laying his resignation in the hands of Government, from the fact that the Supreme Government could not at first be got to give to Bombay the amount of money necessary to carry on the affairs of the presidency properly, but, that having been made forthcoming, things resumed their ordinary course. Sir Bartle Frere is, to some extent, responsible for the uncontrolled growth of speculation in Bombay; for, while it was within the power of Government to regulate and keep it within due bounds, it not only did not do so, but, on the contrary, rather encouraged it. We are seeing the result of that speculation around us on every side and every day, and Sir Bartle Frere is bound by all principles of honour to hold to his office until Bombay has fathomed its lowest depth and is again in a fair way to prosperity.—*Bombay Gazette*.

LADY FRERE.—Lady Frere took her departure from Bombay for England on the evening of the 22nd April, in H.M.'s steamer *Dalhousie*. As her ladyship was on her way to the bunder, she was seized with a sudden attack of illness, and was conveyed to Messrs. Treacher and Co.'s, where restoratives were administered, and during the evening she was so far recovered as to be able to embark. Lady Frere was attended by Sir Bartle and a large assemblage of the elite of Bombay. Previous to her ladyship's departure she received an address from the students of the Literary and Scientific Society, expressing their sincere thanks for the encouragement extended by her ladyship to the cause of native female education in India, and especially for the kind interest her ladyship has displayed in the welfare of the girls' schools of the society. The address concludes:—"As a small token of our gratitude, we respectfully request your ladyship will favour us by sitting for a bust by Mr. Woolner, which the liberality of our president will enable us to place in the hall which Mr. Premchund Roychund has generously offered to build." Lady Frere having briefly communicated her

sentiments to his Excellency the Governor, Sir Bartle said that Lady Frere was gratified with the address, and assented with pleasure to the wish of the society to sit for her bust. She had watched with very great interest the labours of the president and other members of the society in the cause of female education, and should be delighted, when at home, to assist in every way in her power. She wished the society perfect success, and hoped, if permitted to return, to speak in English with the more advanced pupils of the society's girls' schools.

THE INNISKILLING DRAGOONS.—Colonel Crawley, commanding the Inniskillings, stationed at Mhow, has addressed a letter to the *Bombay Gazette*, denying most positively the truth of certain statements, originated by the *Sindian*, concerning the present state of the regiment. Another letter from Mhow contradicts the assertions more particularly:—"On no occasion has the regimental sergeant major ever been pelted with various missiles and hooted out of the canteen, and anybody who knows anything of the men of the Inniskilling Dragoons would know that such a statement must be a mischievous libel on men whose behaviour to their officers and non-commissioned-officers has, inspection after inspection, called forth well-deserved praise from every inspecting general. I need scarcely add that, as no men ever pelted or hooted the regimental sergeant major, no men were ever brought before the commanding officer and punished for this offence. The second statement that a man was tried by court-martial for visiting his wife, and sentenced to four months' imprisonment, is as false as the preceding one. The lady so touchingly alluded to by the *Sindian's* "own correspondent" at Mhow has unfortunately a predilection for ardent spirits, and having, when under the influence of her predilection, a manner of enforcing herself more forcible than pleasing, it became necessary to remove her from the vicinity of the other married people, and accommodate her with apartments in another part of the barracks. Her husband, an irremediable drunkard, was recently tried not for visiting his wife, but for "habitual drunkenness."

THE DELHI COLLEGE IN A BAD WAY.—A letter from Delhi in the *Harkara* says:—"I regret to say that the Delhi College is in a state which requires very watchful care and management to save it from ruin. Of twenty-two boys lately attached to the first class only twelve attend; and of seventeen boys attached to the second class the average attendance is only five or six. Some of those lads have left altogether, and joined St. Stephen's College, conducted by Mr. Wristler, of the S. P. G. F. P. Society. Some study under a private tutor (English), paying him four times as much as they pay at the Government School. No stronger proof can be given of their dissatisfaction with the latter. But the worst is yet to come. A native teacher of English, attached to the Government School, who has served in the department for twenty-four years, and has now the respect and goodwill of all classes, was a few days back suspended on a charge of exciting the students to rebellion. The charge was preferred by Mr. Millet (the head master), and the principal thought proper to examine a few boys on the subject, in the absence of the accused, though the accuser was present. One of the boys, having denied that the native teacher had excited the students, was struck, and told that he had uttered a falsehood, and another was confined in a room. One would have thought that no educated Englishman could have been ignorant of the law and the common principles of justice on this point. The matter, of course, will not be allowed to rest here. In the meantime the majority of the older students are very much excited, and threaten to leave the school altogether."

AUDACIOUS PIRATICAL OUTRAGE IN THE GULF OF CUTCH.—About eight or ten days ago an outrage of a most daring piratical character was perpetrated in the Gulf of Cutch, and the atrocious insolence of the crime calls for immediate Government measures to prevent a recurrence of it. A dozen of cottials, with a number of passengers and a considerable amount of money and valuable property, were crossing the gulf to Mandavi, situated on the northern shore; but the weather becoming rough, they were obliged to run into the harbour of Beyt, on the southern shore of the gulf, for shelter. It was dusk when they anchored in the Beyt harbour, but they had not been long within its hospitable shelter when they had to encounter a worse enemy than the storm from which they had just sought refuge. A gang of from one hundred and fifty to two hundred of the savage Waghurs inhabiting that district, whose easily excited cupidity was aroused by the prospect of safe and easy plunder, boarded the vessels armed with revolvers and swords. Some of the crews made an attempt to protect the property under their charge, but were overpowered by the swarm of savages, and in the affray that took place we are informed that four tindals and one passenger were killed, and many others were severely wounded. The savages then looted the vessels, carrying off everything they could lay their hands on, and it is said they succeeded in making themselves master of property valued at two and a-half or three lacs, consisting of gold, silver, sovereigns, and valuable goods. When the spoliation was effected they retired to their jungles, and were, of course, seen or heard of no more. It would be a great boon to the natives of Cutch if Government could lay hold of some of these robbers, and by severe examples instil into their fellows a more respectful regard for *meum and tuum*, and the lives and limbs of peaceful traders in these parts. Until they are hunted down, and some such examples are made, neither life nor property can have even a minimum degree of security.—*Bombay Gazette*.

THE UNCOVENANTED SERVICE.—We understand that a demi-official reply to the memorials sent up by the Uncovenanted members of the Punjab Commission has been received. It is said to be rather unfavourable, inasmuch as it discourages the idea of the memorialists petitioning for themselves alone, and suggests that the appeal should emanate from the whole Uncovenanted body, or at least all Uncovenanted officers of similar position all over India. It is possible, therefore, that an effort will be made to move the whole service. The task is not an easy one. Grievances are abundant, but to suggest remedies that will be equally suitable for all requires great care. On a united representation, such as this is likely to be, it will become necessary for the Government to declare distinctly what their intentions are with regard to Uncovenanted appointments. We foresee a bitter and protracted struggle. If the policy of the Home Government is one of opposition to Uncovenanted interests, and if the Indian Governments submissively concur in that view, the sooner this is known the better, in order that all men whose services are worth anything may place them at the disposal of more discerning employers, and in order that no more such may be deluded into taking service under the State. The question must be decided sooner or later.—*Lahore Chronicle*.

THE CHOLERA.—ANOTHER FATAL MARCH.—The following is from a Bombay paper:—We are in possession of some particulars relating to a march from Asseergurh to the depot at Poona, of a detachment of men under Ensign Conolly, of the 72nd Highlanders, which it would be an injustice to our readers to withhold, even greater than to the immediate subject of our remarks himself. The detachment was on its way from Mhow

under Ensign Galway, whose melancholy death at Asseergurh from cholera has already been recorded. The detachment was then given over to the charge of the young officer first mentioned, Ensign Conolly, who happened to be doing duty with a regiment stationed there, and whose presence of mind and singular fortitude under circumstances peculiarly trying to a very young officer and only recently arrived in the country it is our pleasure to record. The detachment had not proceeded far when symptoms of cholera made their appearance in some of the men. At a halt at Nargaum one of the women of the detachment was seized, and on Ensign Conolly sending immediately for the apothecary he found that he, too, had been attacked, and was lying seriously ill. The young officer in command immediately turned out of his own tent for the sick woman, and had the apothecary also removed near his quarters, and attended upon both himself, administering chlorodyne and brandy with his own hands. In the mean time, suspecting that the water of the place had some connection with the seizures, he placed a guard over it, and supplied the men of the detachment with an allowance of soda water and lemonade out of his own supplies instead. A telegram to Poona brought back the order to stand fast till assistance was sent. But now a kind of panic had taken possession of the men, some further seizures having taken place. The unfortunate woman died. She was decently and properly buried, our young officer reading the funeral service over her grave. Two little children were left, one a mere baby. A wet nurse was sought for in the village, and, none being procurable, a supply of milk was obtained, and the child kept alive by the tender care of Ensign Conolly. The panic was increasing, and the young officer in command saw the necessity for an immediate removal. He had arrangements made at the railway station for those too sick to proceed, and serving out small quantities of brandy to the whole detachment, and inspiring them with his own confidence, he succeeded in bringing the men, women, and children, safe into Poona. Medical succour was of course immediately despatched to Nargaum, to the sick lying at the station, and all the cases recovered, with the exception, we believe, of one. These various steps and expedients are no doubt sufficiently obvious now, but their value may perhaps be estimated in some degree if we consider what the consequences might have been had the officer possessed less decision, energy, and presence of mind than he fortunately did. It is possible that the detachment might never have reached Poona at all, but, with everything favourable to the development of cholera, have left half its strength at Nargaum, under a monument to mark the extraordinary impolicy of these forced marches in such unseasonable times as the present. The bravery which could bear up and bear others up under such trying circumstances, is no less admirable than gallantry on the field of action; and of the tenderness and humanity which characterised the conduct of Ensign Conolly on this march we are as sure that it will be admired wherever it is known as that it will never be forgotten by the men who were under his charge.

THE ATTEMPT ON THE LIFE OF MAJOR MAINWARING.—"A Reader" writes to the *Times of India* as follows:—"In your issue of the 19th current I read a report of the attack on Major Mainwaring by a sowar of the Sind Horse at Jacobabad. Though in the main this report is correct, there are one or two points which require alteration. Major Mainwaring never belonged to the Sind Horse—he has commanded the regiment of Jacob's Rifles since it was raised in 1858. I mention this fact in justice to Major Mainwaring, as the outside public is too apt to think that the native soldier never attacks a European officer

without serious provocation. The would-be murderer knew nothing of Major Mainwaring, and had never served under him. When the sowar fired the first shot, Mrs. Mainwaring, with her child in her arms, was standing by her husband's side about ten paces from the sowar. She was also in the room into which he rushed with his sword drawn, and where Major Mainwaring secured him; having put the child down in the next room, she returned to her husband's assistance simultaneously with the orderly, and long before any servant came into the house. I have troubled you with this explanation, because the fact of the sowar's firing at and threatening to cut down an inoffensive woman and child is, to my thinking, a very serious aggravation of his dastardly conduct."

A RACE BETWEEN A RAILWAY TRAIN AND A CHEETA.—The *Times of India* says:—A remarkable circumstance occurred a few days ago to a goods train on the Thull Ghaut. When about half-way down the Ghaut, the train seemed to have started a cheeta which had strayed upon the line, and in its fright to escape the animal got under the tender of the engine; but finding itself in rather close quarters and unable to get out, it ran along under the tender, which happened to be in front, similar to a dog running under a cart. This continued for four or five hundred yards, a portion of which was through a short tunnel. After the train had passed through the tunnel the cheeta increased its speed, and managed to get a little ahead, when it bounded from between the rails and disappeared in the jungle.

A NEW COMPANY.—We (*Times of India*) understand that a new company, with the name of the "Credit Loan Company," is about to be started in Bombay, with the view to make advances on the security of shares and stock, and thus avert, in some measure, the heavy losses which, it is apprehended, will fall upon unwise dealers in shares. The capital of the company will be four crores of rupees, in shares of the value of Rs. 10,000 each. The first call will be from Rs. 200 to Rs. 400 only. The idea of starting the corporation originated, it is said, with a benevolent Parsee gentleman, whose advice was solicited by certain speculators in shares, and who has agreed to contribute half a crore of rupees to the capital of the company. Another native gentleman has also consented to contribute another half crore, so that the proposed company is in a fair way to commence operations without delay.

THE EDITOR OF THE "TIMES OF INDIA."—A correspondence has appeared in the *Times of India* between the Bishop of Bombay and Rev. Mr. Gell, formerly editor of that journal, in which the former mourns over the latter having undertaken the editorship of a newspaper. The Bishop contemplates him in that position "with pain," and "the secularity of mind to which he would become liable," &c., filled his Lordship with the gravest apprehensions for Mr. Gell's character as a clergyman, and he could not but regard his acceptance of that office "as a calamity to the cause of religion in the place." The late Bishop Wilson approved of the Rev. Mr. Bellew editing the *Hurkaru*, on the ground, it is said, that the devil should not have the newspaper all to himself.

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, BOMBAY.—The resignation by Mr. Howard of this office in the Bombay Presidency is now explained. The *Poona Observer* says that Mr. Edward I. Howard, director of public instruction, has been appointed manager of the English branch of the Bank of Guzerat, *near* Surat Bank, and proceeds to England to take charge of his office.

A NEW PEARL FISHERY.—We are informed that Government are about making experiments in pearl fishery on the shores of Sind.—*Sindian*.

THE FESTIVITIES AT INDORE.—A letter from Indore, dated May 22nd, says:—For the last few days we have had very oppressive and sultry weather. The water is gradually becoming scarcer and scarcer, and the prices of provisions dearer and dearer. But misfortune never comes singly: cholera is carrying away daily from ten to fifteen persons. I have perused a paragraph in the *Times of India*, of the 24th ult., extracted from the *Bombay Catholic Examiner*, the writer of which says, "preparations on a grand scale are made both at Indore and at Mhow on account of the Maharaja Holkar adding another lady to his harem. It is said the number there is already very great, among whom is an 'English woman.' Nothing could betray more ignorance. It is quite true that preparations are being made on a grand scale both at Indore and at Mhow, but these 'preparations' are not made 'on account of the Maharaja Holkar adding another lady to his harem,' but they are made on account of the Maharaja Holkar celebrating the nuptials of his two princes. The second part of the extract quoted above is entirely false, and is without any foundation. The number already there (in the harem) is not very great, neither is there an English woman there. I have ascertained the facts, and have learned that the Maharaja Holkar has at present three wives and two mistresses—a number which is by no means very great. These remarks have not been made through any ill motives or to defend the Maharaja against these allegations in order to obtain his favour, but they have been made to remove the erroneous statements that appear in such a well-circulated paper as the *Times of India*.

ASSAULT ON A DOCTOR BY A PATIENT.—The *Bombay Gazette* says:—Dr. Colliss, Royal Artillery, was felled to the ground by a blow dealt on the back of his ear by a prisoner in the jail hospital the other morning. Dr. Colliss had just prescribed a couple of pills for the man, and had passed on to the next man, when he, the prisoner, holding the pills in his left hand, asked the doctor, with horrid abuse, whether he meant him to take them. Colliss had hardly time to reply, when the ruffian struck him with great force with his full fist on the back of his left ear, knocking him down almost senseless. The sergeant of the guard, who was present, called immediately for the guard, and it is said that it took no less than ten men to put the assailant in irons. He belongs to the 11th Regiment, stationed at Fyzabad, and is under sentence of imprisonment for three years. His offence was manslaughter, committed under very suspicious circumstances.

NAGPORE IN A NEW PRESIDENCY.—The *Times of India* says:—On account of the better facilities that exist for communication between Bombay and Nagpore than between Madras and Nagpore, there is some reason to believe that the latter will be added to the number of military out-stations of the Bombay Presidency.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 14. Netherby, Owens, London.—15. Achilles, Wallace, Quebec.—20. Die Vernon, Brown, Liverpool.—21. Pacific, Burrows, Aden; Stronchaw, Crombie, Liverpool; Cashmere, Baxter, Calcutta, str. Emeu, Henry, Hong Kong.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per str. Cashmere.—Mr. G. L. Young, Col. and Mrs. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. McClelland, Mr. Hewett and four children, Mr. Carter, Mr. Mozley, Major Reynolds, Mr. McCulloch, Capt. Bilder, Dr. Davidson, Rev. R. Stodiert, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Audling, Mr. Kirs.
Per str. Emeu.—Mr. Bani, Mr. S. Van, Capt. Nye, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Bishop, Mr. Corsenbrook, Mrs. and Miss Mannings and children, Mrs. Scott, Mr. Broglund, Mr. Scott, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Rowveroy, Mr. Gihwan, Mr. and Mrs. Meldrum, Mr. Clubbala, Mr. Reynolds.

DEPARTURES.

May 14. str. Barods, Hesselwood, Aden and Suez.—15. Geaduror, Anderson, Liverpool; Caldera, Johns, Colombo; H. en Louise, De Gee, Batavia; Georgina, Knappan, Calcutta; str. Ottawa, Eastley, China.—16. William Naizby, Burkett, Ceylon; Princess Royal, Anderson, Moulineau;

India, Lewis, Malabar Coast, &c.—17. Robert Lees, Findlay, Liverpool; Zenobia, Griffith, Hull; Kusrovi, Gray, Hong Kong; Erie, Barrett, Cochlin.—19. Kirkby, Purdy, London.—20. Trade Wind, Smith, Port Blair; Mary Crocker, Stuber, Mauritius; Caroline, Bourhis, Penang and Singapore; Aden, Ripley, Mauritius; Ellora, Coulter, Liverpool; Thomas Dryden, Thompson, Hong Kong.—21. Louisa, Seecraft, London; John Melhuish, Watts, London.—24. Mail str. Benares, White, Suez.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per P. and Co.'s str. Benares.—For ADEN.—Mr. and Mrs. Hickman. For SUZ.—Capt. Moore, Mr. E. Taaka, Capt. Nye, Mr. S. V. Aberon, Mr. Rittmerger, Mr. Myer, Mr. J. Campbell. For MARSILLAS.—Mr. Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper and infant, Mr. E. Giles, Mr. H. B. Sleeman, Mr. M. C. Cama, Mr. G. Rawlinson, Mr. D. J. Kennedy, Mr. John Dunbar, Mr. G. Robinson, Bishop Vrancken, Mr. C. D. Casembrook, Mr. and Mrs. Mammen and five children, Mr. Rowveroy, Mr. and Mrs. Meldrum, Mr. Haig, Mr. Hooglandt, Mr. T. Scott, Mr. A. Wilson, Mr. Giman, Mr. McCulloch, Brigadier Laumden. For MALTA.—Mrs. Westrop. For GIBRALTAR.—Mr. Hayne. For SOUTHAMPTON.—Mr. M. Sargon and two children, Mr. G. F. Barton, Mr. E. Westley, Mr. Hingley, Mr. Outram, Mr. P. Murphy, Col. Burrows and three children, Mr. R. Holme, Mrs. Niven, Mrs. Charles Pichey and infant, Mr. Alexander, Mrs. Cameron and two children, Mr. Jones, Mr. E. Compton, Mr. J. Everett, Dr. Dawson, Rev. W. Cooper, Mr. Sutton, Mr. S. Kenzo, Mr. M. Kholzo, Mr. S. Arabross, Mr. N. Kanair, Mr. Eraski, Mrs. Cotterill, Mr. C. Fyfe, Mr. J. Smith.

COMMERCIAL.

Bombay, May 23, 1865.

EXCHANGES.

On London Banks—at	
6 months' sight, per rupee, 2s. 1d.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 1d. Cred. Bills.	
6 ditto ditto 2s. 1d. Docts.	
On Calcutta, at sight, per 100	101½
Ditto at 30 days' ditto	100½
Ditto at 60 days' ditto	99½
On Madras, at 30 days' ditto	100
On China, at 60 days ditto	Rs. 220 per 100 dols.

BANK AND OTHER SHARES.

Agra Bank (Rs. 500)	150 pr. cent. pr.
Asiatic Bank	10
Bombay Bank (Rs. 1,000)	35 do.
Bank of India (Rs. 25)	36 pm.
Broker's Banking Co. (Rs. 20)	12 pm.
Central Bank (Rs. 250)	120 do.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, & China (Rs. 200)	100 do.
Commercial Bank (Rs. 500)	15 do.
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris (Rs. 200)	100 do.
Joint-Stock Bank (Rs. 20)	83 do.
Mercantile Bank (Rs. 250)	60 do. inc. n. sh.
Oriental Bank Corporation (Rs. 250)	170 pm.
Royal Bank of India (Rs. 25)	28 do.
Madras Bank (Rs. 1,000)	70 do.
Apollo Press Co. (Rs. 11,000)	par
Colaba Press Co. (Rs. 2,700)	Rs. 6,000 p. sh.
Fort Press Co. (Rs. 3,667)	Rs. 14,500 p. sh.
Elphinstone Land and Press Co.:—	
(A) share (Rs. 6,000)	3600 Rs. 700 pm.
(B) share (Rs. 6,000)	2200 do.
Frere Press Co. (Rs. 250)	25 pm.
Victoria Land and Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Bombay Press Co. (Rs. 1,200)	5 per cent. dis.
Great Indian Peninsula Railway Co. Consolidated Stock (Rs. 218-5-0)	Rs. 5 do. dis.
Ditto, New £20 Shares (Rs. 87-4-4)	par.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 600 prem.
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 100 prem.
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company (Rs. 1,100)	Rs. 25 prem.
Manockjee Pitty's Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 850)	Rs. 400
House and Land Investment Co. (Rs. 200)	Rs. 3,000
Bombay Shipping Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 700 dis.
Iron Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 25 pm.
Oriental Ship Owning Association (Rs. 250)	Rs. 300 dis.
Prince of Wales Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 250
Western India Ship Co. (Rs. 1,000)	Rs. 3,200 p. sh.
Hydraulic Press Co. (Rs. 4,000)	Rs. 500 prem.
Coria Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 500 prem.
Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 500 prem.
Colaba Land Co. (Rs. 10,000)	Rs. 90-0-0 p. sh.
Handl Warehouse Co. (Rs. 400)	Rs. par
Back Bay Reclamation Co. Rs. 5,000 paid-up	4,000 p. sh. pm.
Oriental Weaving and Spinning Company (Rs. 2,500)	Rs. 150 prem.
Royal Spinning and Weaving Co. (Rs. 1,500)	Rs. 100 prem.
Victoria Spinning Co. (Rs. 5,000)	Rs. 1,000 prem.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Four per Cent. Sica Rs. Trans. Loan	Rs. 93
" " Sica Rs. Loan 1832-33	" 93
" " Co.'s Rs. Loan 1835-36	" 91½
" " " 1842-43	" 103
" " " 1854-55	" 109
Five per Cent. Co.'s Rs. Loan	
Five-and-a-half per Cent.	

PRICE OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns	each, Rs. 10-6
Bank of England Notes	" 10
Spanish Dollars	" 210
Caroline Dollars	" 290
Mexican Dollars	" 225
Five Franc Pieces, Rs. 323 tolas	" 208
German Crowns	" 214
Bar Silver, 17 and 17½ dwt. better, per 100 tolas	" 106-10

FREIGHTS.

To London—Cotton, £1. 15s., nominal; Seeds, £1. 5s. Od. nominal.
To Liverpool—Cotton, 15s. to £1. 10s. per ton; Seeds, 12s. 6d. to 15s. per ton.



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BENGAL.

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Simla, April 28.—No. 427.—H.E. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to attach Lieut. R. F. Lewis, of the royal art., to the Hazara Mountain train batty., Punjab irreg. force, to do duty, in order to qualify himself for admission to the staff corps.

No. 428.—Appointment in the dept. of the qmrr. gen.:—

Capt. A. C. Bruce, offic. dep. asst. qmrr. gen., to be a dep. asst. qmrr. gen., v. Lieut. col. D. C. Shute, whose term of staff service has expired.

No. 430.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 393 of April 13, the Right Hon. the Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to direct that the troops composing the Doar field force and the Eastern frontier brig. shall be formed into one brig., under the com. of Brig. gen. J. M. B. F. Tytler, c.b., from such date as that officer may assume the com. of the Eastern frontier brig. from Brig. gen. Mulcaster.

April 29.—No. 431.—Appointment:—

Punjab Irreg. Force.—1st Cavalry.—Lieut. C. S. Maclean, 2nd in com. and squadron officer, to offic. as comdnt., during the abs., on m.c. to Europe, of Col. W. T. Hughes.

May 1.—No. 433.—Vet. surg. E. J. Batt, H.E.'s body guard, is app. to the stud dept., to fill an existing vacancy, with effect from the date on which he quits the body guard.

No. 434.—Capt. (brevet major) H. A. Brownlow, royal engrs., exec. engr., dept. public works, has leave, in ext., m.c., from 10th to 14th March, the date on which he returned to Bengal from Europe.

No. 438.—Lieut. A. C. Toker, Bengal staff corps, doing duty officer, 18th regt. N.I., has leave to Europe, m.c., for 15 mo.

No. 439.—The following alterations of rank are made, subject to her Majesty's approval:—

Medical Dept.—Surgeons E. Taylor, from July 11, 1864, v. Surg. major E. Campbell, ret.; H. W. Spry, from Aug. 7, 1864, v. Surg. C. Stewart, m.d., dec.; A. J. Dale, m.b., from Sept. 26, 1864, v. Surg. major G. Paton, m.d., ret.; and A. Young, from Oct. 24, 1864, v. Surg. major J. Campbell, m.d., c.b., ret.

With reference to G.G.O. No. 78 of 1865, the undermentioned surgeons, borne as supernumeraries pending the instructions of the Secretary of State, are hereby brought on the strength of the establishment, subject to her Majesty's approval:—

Medical Dept.—Surgeons B. Simpson, m.d., A.B., from Nov. 1, 1864, v. Dep. inspec. gen. of hospitals G. S. Mann, F.R.C.S., dec.; and G. H. Daly, m.d., from Nov. 15, 1864, v. Surg. major A. Simpson, m.d., dec.

No. 442.—The serv. of Lieut. H. A. Pakenham, of the late 55th regt. N.I., are placed temp. at the disp. of the Govt. of Bengal.

No. 443.—The following order, issued by the Govt. of Bengal, is confirmed:—

No. 206, dated April 5.—Granting leave of abs. to Eur., on m.c., to the undermen. officers:—

Major C. H. Byers, of the Bengal staff corps, 2nd in comd. and wing officer, 3rd regt. N.I., for 20 mo. Lieut. G. N. Money, of the Bengal staff corps, wing officer, 3rd Punjab inf., for 20 mo.

No. 444.—The undermen. officer is admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the date specified opposite to his name, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India: Lieut. J. Butler, of the gen. list inf., doing duty officer 13th regt. N.I., June 7, 1864.

No. 445.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proc. to Eur. on leave of abs., on m.c.:—

Lieut. I. Low, of the 5th Eur. L.C., asst. comsur., Oude, for 20 mo., under the new regs.

May 2.—No. 446.—The serv. of Asst. surg. R. W. Cunningham, m.d., att. to the 14th (the Ferozepore) regt. N.I., are placed at the disp. of the foreign dept.

No. 447.—The services of Asst. surg. D. B. Smith, m.d., in med. charge of Mussorie, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India for appointment to offic. as superint. gen. of vaccination, and professor of midwifery, Medical College, from the

date on which he assumed charge of the duties of the office.

No. 448.—The services of Asst. surg. J. G. French, M.D., being no longer required with the Doogar field force, are replaced at the disposal of the Govt. of Bengal for reappointment as civil asst. surg. of Mymensing.

No. 451.—Appointment:—

Hyderabad Contingent.

1st Infantry.—Capt. T. T. Torton, Madras staff corps, late offic. comdt., 6th inf., Hyderabad contingent, to offic. as 2nd in command, during the absence on sick leave to Europe of Capt. Toed, or until further orders.

RETIREMENT OF MEDICAL OFFICERS.

May 4.—No. 456.—The following military letter from the Right Hon. the Secy. of State for India, No. 91, March 24, is published for general information:—

Military, No. 91.

India-office, London, March 24, 1865.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Governor General of India in Council.

Sir,—The military letter from your Government, dated January 21, No. 36, submits two questions with regard to the retirement of medical officers, arising out of the late alterations with respect to the Medical Service. With regard to the first, it appears to you that all service on the full pay of the appointment in the case of Inspectors and Deputy Inspectors General of Hospitals, should reckon towards the five years' service in those grades qualifying for the additional pension; and that the aggregate period of "service in India," noted in para. 35, of my despatch dated 7th November last, No. 36, is to include the periods of leave hitherto allowed to reckon under the new furlough rules as service for pension.

This is quite in accordance with the intentions of Her Majesty's Government.

With regard to the second point, you apprehend that the six months' leave on medical certificate referred to in para. 38 of my despatch, applies only to the tenure of the appointments of Inspector General and Deputy Inspector General, and not to the time of pension under para. 35.

This view is also quite correct; the tenure of appointment referred to being that which is to entitle officers of these grades to the additional pensions after five years' active employment in India.—I have, &c.,

(Signed) C. Wood.

May 5.—No. 273.—Mr. Smith, insp. of police, Gonda, passed the examination prescribed for police officers, at the examinations held at Fyzabad on the 4th, 5th, and 6th prox.

May 6.—No. 274.—Dr. J. Reid, civil asst. surg. of Bhundara in the central provs., is placed in charge of the jail at that station, and is invested with the powers of a mag., to be exercised within the precincts of that jail.

May 9.—No. 277.—Mr. D. G. Barkley, asst. comr., 1st class, is invested with the civil and criminal powers of a dep. comr., from 1st inst., while in charge of the current duties of the dep. comr.'s office in the Delhi dist.

No. 278.—Leave of absence on m.c. is granted to Lieut. A. G. Remington, late asst. supt. in Oude police, from May 23 to Sept. 10.

No. 279.—An ext. of leave for 6 mo. on m.c., under old civil absentee rules, has been granted by the Right Hon. the Secy. of State to Lord W. Hay, of the Bengal C.S.

An ext. of leave for 3 mo., without pay, has also been granted by the Right Hon. the Secy. of State to Mr. G. G. Morris, of the Bengal C.S.

May 10.—No. 284.—Mr. H. C. Hamilton has res. the C.S. from the 14th inst.

May 11.—No. 285.—Mr. R. Hamilton, extra asst. comr. Central Provs., to offic. as dist. superint. of police, Baitool, as a temp. arrangement.

No. 286.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to re-attach to the Bengal div. of the presidency of Fort William Mr. A. T. Maclean, of the C.S., who returned from furl. on the 28th ult.

No. 287.—The Gov. gen. in Council is pleased to permit Mr. G. C. Fletcher to res. the C.S. from the 9th inst.

May 9.—No. 1,008.—Capt. H. C. Menzies, asst. comr., 3rd class, Oomrawuttee, Hyderabad assigned dists., has the usual prep. leave from date of quitting his station to proc. to Bombay, for the purpose of applying for further leave to Eur. on m.c.

No. 1,010.—Lieut. col. W. F. Eden made over temp. charge of the Meywar political agency to Lieut. A. N. Bruce on April 8.

No. 1,012.—Mr. W. DeC. Ireland, asst. comr.,

3rd grade, in British Burmah, obt'd. priv. leave of abs. from March 6 to March 31 inclusive.

No. 1,014.—Asst. surg. R. W. Cunningham, M.D., of the 14th regt. N.I., is app'd. to the medical charge of the Meywar political agency, v. Asst. surg. J. D. Wylie, res.

No. 1,017.—Lieut. K. J. L. Mackenzie, asst. comr., Hyderabad assigned dists., returned to his duties on March 11 last, from the leave granted him in G.O. No. 536, dated 8th idem.

No. 1,018.—Lieut. W. L. Noverre, asst. conservator of forests in the Central Provs., is app'd. to offic. as an asst. comr. of the 2nd class, as a temp. arrangement.

No. 1,022.—Surg. maj. J. Kirkpatrick, M.D., surg. of the Mysore Commission, has obtained leave of absence for 1 week, from April 15, to proceed to Madras, prep. to applying for leave to Europe, m.c.

No. 1,024.—The services of Dr. J. M. Cameron, civil asst. surg. of Sironcha, in the Central Provs., are placed at the disposal of the Bengal Govt.

No. 1,026.—Maj. J. W. Younghusband, insp. gen. of police, Hyderabad assigned dists., has obtained leave from the 1st inst., to proceed to Bombay, m.c.

No. 1,028.—The underment. officers of the Oude commission passed the prescribed exam. of asst. comrs., held at Lucknow and Fyzabad on the 4th, 5th, and 6th ult. :—

For the Higher Standard.—Mr. W. Hutton, extra asst. comr.; Mr. C. W. McMinn, asst. comr.

For the Lower Standard.—Mr. J. Woodburn, asst. comr.

May 10.—No. 1,031.—Mr. W. De C. Ireland, asst. comr., 3rd grade, in British Burmah, has passed the exam. in Burmese for the 1st or lower standard.

No. 1,034.—The priv. leave for 3 mo., granted to Lieut. R. G. Watson, 2nd sec. to H.M.'s Legation in Persia, in G.O. No. 329, dated 28th ult., will commence from May 22, instead of July 7, as therein notified.

No. 1,036.—Lieut. H. C. E. Ward, asst. comr. Jubbulpore, Central Provs., is empowered to conduct the current duties of the dep. comr.'s office while a dep. comr. is employed on settlement duty.

May 12.—No. 2,048.—Mr. St. G. Tucker, comr., Khyradiv, availed himself of the priv. leave granted him in G.O. No. 517, dated April 6, and made over charge of his office to Capt. E. Thompson, dep. comr. and settlement officer of Seetapoor, on the afternoon of April 24.

Lieut. G. G. Young, asst. settlement officer, received charge of the settlement office from Capt. Thompson, on the afternoon of the same date.

No. 1,050.—Mr. D. F. Lonsdale, asst. comr., 3rd grade, British Burmah, received charge of the asst. comr.'s office and treasury at Thayetmyo from Mr. W. De C. Ireland, offig. dep. comr., 4th grade.

May 9.—No. 163.—Mr. E. H. Lushington, Sec. to the Govt. of India, financial dept., has priv. leave for 1 mo.

Mr. J. Strachey has been app., in add. to his own duties as President of the Sanitary Commission, to offic. as sec. to the Govt. of India, financial dept., during the absence of Mr. E. H. Lushington.

Mr. E. H. Lushington made over, and Mr. J. Strachey took charge of the office of sec. to the Govt. of India, financial dept., on the 9th inst.

May 11.—No. 196.—Appointments:—

Mr. J. L. Hynes to offic. as 1st asst. dep. auditor and acct. gen., Bombay.

Mr. R. W. Mathews to act as 2nd asst. deputy auditor and acct. gen., Bombay.

May 6.—No. 153.—Lieut. G. L. B. Simmons, asst. engr., 2nd grade, joined the Rangoon div. of public works on March 22.

No. 154.—Mr. C. Blair, asst. engr., 2nd grade, attached to the 6th div., Grand Trunk Road, N.W.P., passed the prescribed examination in Hindoostanee on Jan. 26.

No. 155.—Mr. W. C. Rennie, late prob. asst. engr., Berar div., Hyderabad, has been perm. to res. his appt. in the public works dept., with effect from Feb. 23.

No. 157.—Mr. J. W. Inglis, asst. engr., 1st grade, Lucknow div., Oude, assumed charge of the Fyzabad div. April 20.

No. 158.—The priv. leave for 3 mo., commencing from April 20, granted by the chief comr. of Oude to Capt. G. Swetenham, R.E., exec. engr., 4th grade, Fyzabad div., is confirmed.

No. 159.—The 3 mo. priv. leave granted by the chief comr. of the Central Provinces to Mr. E. C. Smyth, supervisor, 2nd grade, 1st div. great northern road, is confirmed.

No. 162.—Mr. G. Glass, supervisor, 2nd grade, attached to the Upper Godavary Works of the public

works dept., Central Provs., is permitted to resign his appt. from March 5.

No. 163.—Lieut. J. H. Bedford, R.E., exec. engr., Dhar Road, Rajpootana Circle, is granted 3 mo. leave from May 1, for the purpose of studying the native languages.

No. 165.—Capt. W. H. Burton, R.E., exec. engr., 4th grade, assumed charge of his duties under the exec. engr. of the Berar div., Hyderabad, on April 8.

May 10.—No. 166.—Capt. G. Begbie, of the Madras staff corps, temp. asst. engr., 2nd grade, Upper Godavary Circle, is permitted, at his own request, to resign his appt. in the dept., with effect from March 28, and his services are replaced at the disposal of the Govt. of Madras.

No. 167.—The priv. leave for 2 mo., to commence from June 1, or from such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it, granted by the chief comr. of Oude to Mr. A. Penny, asst. engr., 2nd grade, civil divl. engr., Fyzabad div., is confirmed.

No. 168.—Mr. W. McCracken, acct., 4th grade, Mysore, returned on April 1 from the priv. leave granted to him in public works dept. notification No. 110 of the 27th idem.

May 9.—No. 7.—Mr. D. Brandis, insp. gen. of forests to the Govt. of India, reported his departure for Europe by the str. *Sinla*, which was left by the pilot at sea on April 25.

May 8.—No. 457.—The undermentioned officers are permitted to proceed to Europe, on leave of absence, on m.c. :—

Surg. maj. F. M. Clifford, H.M.'s Indian medical service, for 20 mo., under new regs.

Major D. Briggs, Bengal staff corps, superint. of works, Assam Circle, for 20 mo., under new regs.

No. 459.—The services of Asst. surg. T. E. Hale, v.c., M.D., H.M.'s 7th foot, in medical charge of 2nd Punjab inf., being required for employment with H.M.'s British troops, are placed at the disposal of H.E. the C. in C.

May 9.—No. 461.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe, on leave of absence, on m.c. :—

Capt. J. Trevenen, Bengal staff corps, offic. 2nd in com. and wing officer, 21st regt. N.I., for 20 mo.

No. 462.—The underment. officer is perm. to proceed to Eur., on leave of abs., on m.c. :—

Major H. N. Hodgson, of the Bengal staff corps, 2nd in com. and wing officer, 38th regt. N.I., for 20 mo.

No. 465.—Capt. E. Tierney, 3rd class comsry. of ordnance, to offic. as 2nd class comsry. during the abs. on m.c. of Capt. T. N. Harward, or until further orders.

May 10.—No. 467.—The underment. officer is perm. to proc. to Eur. on leave on m.c. :—

Capt. G. C. Rowcroft, Bengal staff corps, wing officer, 35th (the Mynpoorie) regt. N.I., for 20 mo.

No. 468.—The underment. officers have reported their return from England; date of arrival at Fort William, April 28 :—

Major J. Marquis, Bengal staff corps, 2nd in comd. and wing officer 17th (the Loyal Poorbeah) N.I.

Major C. T. Hallett, Bengal staff corps, dist. superint. of police, 2nd grade, Allyghur dist.

Capt. J. P. A. Theobald, of the late 3rd Eur. L.C.

Lieut. (brevet capt.) L. H. P. DeH. Larpent, of the late 21st N.I.

No. 469.—The underment. officer is perm. to proc. to Eur. on leave on m.c. :—

Surg. E. C. Thorp, M.D., of the med. dept., in med. charge of the 43rd (Assam) regt. N.I., for 20 mo., under the new regs.

No. 470.—The underment. officer is perm. to proc. to Eur. on leave on m.c. :—

Major G. N. Cave, of the Bengal staff corps, comdnt. 24th (Punjab) regt. N.I., for 20 mo.

PASSAGE ALLOWANCE.

May 11.—No. 471.—The following military letter from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India, No. 75, March 17, and the Royal Warrant and Circular Memorandum from the War-office therein referred to, are published for general information:—

Military, No. 75.

India-office, London, March 17, 1865.

To H.E. the Right Hon. the Governor General of India in Council.

Sir,—Para. 1. You are aware, from previous despatches to your Govt., that I have been for some time, in communication with the Secy. of State for War on the subject of the regulations relating to the passages, and the passage allowances of officers of H.M.'s British forces proceeding to or returning from India.

2. I now forward, for the information of your Government, a copy of a Royal Warrant, dated Jan. 2, 1865, cancelling the Royal Passage Warrant of July 1, 1848, and establishing other regulations on the subject. These regulations, you will observe, are to be applicable to all officers, whether of the staff or of regiments, brigades and batteries, who shall hereafter embark for service in India. They are also intended to apply to officers of H.M.'s British service hereafter quitting India.

3. Your Government will take the necessary measures for giving due publicity to this Warrant, and will cause its provisions to be acted upon immediately on its promulgation in India, so far as respects the officers of H.M.'s British service.

4. A circular memorandum from the War-office, copy of which is also sent, announces the issue of the revised warrant, and notifies that, "in consideration of the privileges conferred upon the officers of the army at large by its provisions, it has been decided to discontinue the grant of 6 mo. Indian allowances, hitherto issued to officers of H.M.'s British service proceeding from India to England on m.c."

5. The discontinuance of this grant, however, is to apply only to officers of H.M.'s British service belonging to regiments, battalions, brigades, and batteries, which shall proceed to India subsequently to the date of the Warrant.

6. The provisions of this circular should also be made known when the new Warrant is promulgated.

7. There are one or two points in the new Warrant, to which, as causing an important alteration of the existing practice, I am desirous of drawing the attention of your Govt.

8. Clause I.—Under this clause officers are entitled to passages at the public expense, if proceeding to serve upon the general or personal staff, or returning therefrom in consequence of reduction or removal. Officers of the divisional, general, and personal staff have hitherto been entitled to passages to India only. They will, henceforth, be entitled to passage from India also, when returning under the circumstances contemplated in this clause of the Warrant.

9. This rule is, however, not to apply to a commander in chief at either Presidency, special provision having been made by the Legislature for the expenses of the equipment and voyage of commanders in chief in India.

10. Instead of the uniform rate of contribution for messing (£5) now made from the passage allowance of officers proceeding to or from India, you will observe that the new Warrant (page 677) provides for the deduction of a variable rate from the staff or regimental pay of the officer for whom the passage is provided.

11. This rate of deduction is to be made, in the case of the regimental officer, by the paymaster or regimental agent, as the case may be, as was provided for in the War-office circular, Nov. 29, 1858, No. 350. In the case of the staff officer, the deduction must be made at the pay office in India where the officer first draws pay. In this country it will be recovered under the instructions of the Secretary of State for War.

12. In the War-office circular above referred to, which fixed the uniform rate of messing contribution at £5 for each officer, it was stated, "in the case of an officer who receives an allowance to find his own passage, no such stoppage is required."

13. This, as explained in Lord Stanley's despatch dated March 9, 1859, No. 75, did not mean that an officer who receives an allowance for his passage was to be exempt from the prescribed contribution for messing, but that, in such case, the stoppage was not required to be made by the paymaster or regimental agent, it having been arranged, at the request of the Secretary of State for War, that, in each such case, the rateable reduction should be made from the amount of passage money when issued to the officer, or his agent, either in England or in India.

14. The contribution for messing in this case also is henceforth to be deducted from the pay of the officer receiving the passage allowance, at the termination of the voyage.

15. As intimately affecting the interests of the British officer in India, this despatch has been submitted to, and has received the concurrence of, the Secy. of State for War.

16. You will observe that neither the terms of the circular nor those of the Royal Warrant apply to the officers of the Indian army, or the officers of the Indian staff corps.—I have, &c.,

(Signed) C. Wood.

The Passage Warrant has already appeared in our columns.

No. 472.—The following proms. are made, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Brevet.

Maj. J. A. Wood, v.c., Bombay staff corps, to be lieut. col., and Capt. (now a brev. maj.) T. Sweet, Madras inf., to be maj., from June 25, 1864, v. Lieut. gen. H. Ross, Madras inf., dec.

Major (now a brevet lieut. col.) O. Hamilton, Bengal staff corps, to be lieut. col., and Capt. W. C. F. Gosling, royal (Madras) art., to be major, from Aug. 17, 1864, v. Lieut. gen. C. D. Dun, Madras inf., dec.

Major O. E. Rothney, Bengal staff corps, to be lieut. col., and Capt. C. D. Weddall, royal (Madras) art., to be major, from Oct. 1, 1864, v. Lieut. gen. G. Sandys, Madras cav., dec.

Major W. J. F. Stafford, Bengal staff corps, to be lieut. col., and Capt. A. Stewart, royal (Madras) art., to be major, from Jan. 8, 1865, v. Lieut. gen. M. C. Paul, Bengal inf., dec.

Major C. T. Aitchison, Bombay staff corps, to be lieut. col., and Capt. R. Cauldfield, Madras cav., to be major, from Jan. 24, 1865, v. Lieut. gen. R. Powney, royal (Bengal) art., dec.

No. 473.—The undermentioned surgeons of the Bengal medical department are promoted to the rank of surg. major, under the provisions of G.G.O., No. 507, June 20, 1864, subject to H.M.'s approval:—

Surgs. J. P. Walker, M.D., from April 5; R. S. O. Thring, M.D., from April 20; and J. Squire, from April 30.

No. 474.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe, on leave of absence, on m.c.:—

Capt. H. D. B. Smith, of the Madras staff corps, 3rd class executive engr., dept. public works, 2nd Road div., Oude, for 20 mo.

No. 475.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe, on leave of absence, on m.c.:—

Lieut. E. A. Trevor, of the R.E., dep. controller and examiner, public works accounts, 3rd class, Punjab, for 20 mo., under the new regs.

No. 476.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe, on leave of absence, on m.c.:—

Capt. A. F. Corbett, of the Bengal staff corps, dist. superint. of police, 3rd grade, Budaon dist., for 20 mo.

No. 477.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proc. to Eur.:—

Lieut. R. D. Osborn, of the Bengal staff corps, adjt. 12th Bengal cav., for 6 mo., without pay.

No. 478.—The undermen. officer is perm. to proc. to Eur. on leave on m.c.:—

Capt. H. T. Forbes, of the R.A., exec. engr., Bhaugulpore div., dept. of public works, for 20 mo., under the new regs.

No. 479.—Capt. J. Keer, dep. asst. comsry. gen., 2nd class, is appd. to offic. as dep. asst. comsry. gen., 1st class, with effect from the date he assumed charge of the Saugor exec. commissariat office, on return from m.c. to Eur.; the jun. officers reverting to their proper places.

No. 480.—The undermen. appts. and proms. are made in the comsmd. grades of the army commissariat dept. to fill existing vacancies:—

Army Commissariat Dept.

Permanent.—Capt. J. V. Hunt, sub asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, and acting sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, to be sub. asst. comy. gen., 1st class, from April 5, v. Maj. J. E. Thompson, res.

Capt. A. W. Bolton, offic. sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, to be sub asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, v. Capt. Hunt.

Capt. Bolton will continue to offic. as sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class.

Temporary.—Capt. J. S. Ogilvie, dep. asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, to offic. as dep. asst. comy. gen., 1st class; Maj. W. Briggs, sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, to offic. as dep. asst. comy. gen., 2nd class; and Capt. J. B. Cox, sub asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, to offic. as sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, from Jan. 26, and during the abs. on leave of Maj. J. R. A. S. Lowe, dep. asst. comy. gen., 1st class.

Capt. S. Chalmers, sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, and acting dep. asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, to offic. as dep. asst. comy. gen., 1st class; Major T. W. Holland, sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, to offic. as dep. asst. comy. gen., 2nd class; and Capt. A. W. Bolton, offic. sub asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, to offic. as sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, from Feb. 2, 1865, and during the absence on leave of Major M. J. Brander, dep. asst. comy. gen., 1st class.

Capt. H. R. Bradford, offic. sub asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, to offic. as sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, from Feb. 4, 1865, and during the absence on leave of Major H. Mills, sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class.

Major H. A. Taylor, sub asst. comsry. gen., 1st

class, to offic. as dep. asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, and Capt. J. A. M. Biggs, offic. sub asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, to offic. as sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, from March 29, and during the abs. of Capt. J. Sykes, sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, and acting dep. asst. comy. gen., 2nd class.

Major J. Leven, dep. asst. comsry. gen., 1st class, returned from sick leave to Europe, to offic. as asst. comsry. gen., 2nd class, from April 1, and during the abs. of Capt. H. B. Chalmers, asst. comsry. gen., 2nd class.

Lieut. W. G. Smith, offic. sub asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, to offic. as sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, from April 5, v. Capt. Hunt, who has been confirmed in that grade.

Major R. D. Macpherson, asst. comy. gen., 1st class, to offic. as dep. comy. gen.; Major A. D. Dickens, asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, to offic. as asst. comy. gen., 1st class; Capt. C. S. W. Ogilvie, dep. asst. comy. gen., 1st class, to offic. as a-st. comy. gen., 2nd class; Lieut. O. R. Newmarth, sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, and acting dep. asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, to offic. as dep. asst. comy. gen., 1st class; Major A. Macqueen, sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, to offic. as dep. asst. comy. gen., 2nd class; and Capt. A. W. Montagu, offic. sub asst. comy. gen., 2nd class, to offic. as sub asst. comy. gen., 1st class, from April 12, 1865, and during the abs. of Lieut. col. E. J. Simpson, offic. dep. comy. gen.

No. 481.—The underment. officer is admitted to the Bengal staff corps, with effect from the date specified opposite to his name, subject to the confirmation of the Right Hon. the Sec. of State:—

Lieut. A. Vallings, H.M.'s 108th foot, doing duty officer, 20th (Punjab) regt. N.I., April 30.

No. 482.—H.E. the Gov. Gen. in Council is pleased to make the following appt.:—

Punjab Irregular Force.

1st Inf.—Lieut. A. Vallings, Bengal staff corps, doing duty with 20th (Punjab) regt. N.I., to be adjt., v. Lieut. Young.

May 12.—No. 483.—With reference to the notification from the foreign dept., No. 331, of April 28, the services of Capt. H. F. Bolt n, Bombay staff corps, late asst. comr. in the Central Provinces, are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of Bombay.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR, N.W.P.

April 12.—No. 365a.—Capt. W. Playfair, offic. asst. dist. supt. of police at Mirzapore, is app. asst. dist. supt. of police at Jhansie, v. Mr. G. H. Volckers.

April 13.—No. 368a.—Three mo. priv. leave of absence, under the orders of the Govt. of India, dated Oct. 13, 1863, is granted to Capt. C. C. Drury, dist. supt. of police at Goruckpore, with effect from the 1st inst., or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 369a.—Lieut. R. J. Young is app. to offic. as dist. supt. of police at Goruckpore, during the abs. on leave of Capt. Drury, or until further orders.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE, C.S.

April 7.—No. 1,114a.—The foll. extract from a letter, No. 1,126, dated Feb. 28, from the Secy. to the Govt. of India, in the Financial Dept., to the officer in charge of the office of civil paymtr., Madras, regarding leave under the new rules to covenanted civil servants, is published for general information:

"3. In reply to the 2nd question, whether a short absence on m.c. for say two or three mo., would affect the future and longer absence in Europe on m.c. that a civilian might take, I am directed to state that a short leave of absence on m.c. will not affect an officer's title to further leave of the same description, except inasmuch as it would for a part of the 3 years' sick leave to which he is limited during the whole period of his service."

April 8.—No. 1,129a.—Thirteen days' prep. leave of absence is granted to Mr. M. Brodhurst, mag. and coll. of Ghazee pore, to enable him to reach the port of embark., with a view of proc. on furl. to Eur., with effect from the 15th inst.

No. 1,140a.—One mo. priv. leave of absence has been granted to the Rev. W. D. Cowley, M.A., chaplain of Moradabad, with effect from 1st inst.

April 13.—No. 1,205a.—Mr. C. W. Moore, joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade at Kirwee, is appd. a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 1st grade.

No. 1,206a.—Mr. D. M. Gardner, B.A., offic. junior asst. comr., Kumaon, is appd. a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade, v. Mr. Moore.

No. 1,207a.—Mr. D. C. Halkett, joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade at Benares, is appd. a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 1st grade.

No. 1,208a.—Mr. F. E. Elliott, offic. joint mag.

and dep. coll. at Goruckpore, is appd. a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade, v. Mr. Halkett.

No. 1,209a.—Mr. J. R. Best, mag. and coll. of Azimgurh, is appd. civil and sess. judge of Goruckpore, from the date on which Mr. F. M. Lind reported his departure on furl, but will offic. as judge of Futtehpore on the departure on leave of Mr. Boldero.

No. 1,210a.—Mr. A. R. Pollock is appd. mag. and coll. of Azimgurh, v. Mr. Best, but will continue to offic. as mag. and coll. of Agra.

No. 1,211a.—Mr. W. C. Turner, joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade at Mirzapore, is appd. a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 1st grade, v. Mr. Pollock.

No. 1,212a.—Mr. W. Tyrrell, B.A., is appd. a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 2nd grade, v. Mr. Turner, but will continue to offic. as Under Sec. to Govt.

No. 1,213a.—Mr. G. B. Pasley, joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 1st grade in the Allahabad dist., is appd. to offic. as mag. and coll. of Ghazee-pore, during the abs. of Mr. Brodhurst.

No. 1,214a.—Mr. E. Macnaghten, judge of the Small Cause Court at Allahabad, is appd. to offic. as mag. and coll. of that station, during the abs. on leave of Mr. G. H. M. Ricketts.

No. 1,215a.—Mr. C. E. R. Jirdles, joint asst. mag. and coll. of Allahabad, is appd. to offic. temply. as judge of Small Cause Court at Allahabad, v. Mr. Macnaghten.

Nynce Tal, April 8.—No. 6a.—Priv. leave of absence for 1 mo. is granted to Mr. J. B. Pemberton, civil divl. engr. of the Agra (revenue) div. from June 1.

Leave on m.c. is granted to Mr. J. Wilson, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. of Banda.

April 20.—No. 345a.—Mr. E. G. Jenkinson, dep. comr. of Jhansie, is appd. to be an asst. settlement officer of the 1st grade, on a salary of Rs. 1,250 per mensem, with effect from Feb. 1, continuing to act as dep. comr. of Jhansie.

April 13.—No. 1,226a.—Asst. surg. F. Parsons, 4th regt. N.I., at Jhansie, is placed in charge of the civil medical duties at that station, in addition to his own duties, as a temp. arrangement, with effect from 20th ult.

April 17.—No. 376a.—Capt. the Hon. W. Fraser, late offic. district superint. of police at Allygurh, has 23 days' prep. leave on m.c., from March 9 last, under the rules applicable to military officers.

No. 379a.—Lieut. N. M. Horsford offic. as district superint. of police at Allygurh from March 9 to 13th idem.

No. 382a.—Mr. W. Williams is app. to offic. as district superint. of police at Allygurh, with effect from March 14 last.

April 18.—No. 1,256.—Major C. Warde, cantonment mag. of Agra, has 6 mo. leave, on m.c., under the rules applicable to military officers in civil employ, from 15th inst.

No. 1,261a.—Mr. W. H. Smith, asst. mag. and coll. of Jounpore, is app. to offic. as a joint mag. and dep. coll.

No. 1,263a.—Rev. E. J. Hubbard, M.A., chaplain of Allahabad, has 1 mo. priv. leave, with effect from the date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 1,281a.—Hon. asst. surg. F. H. A. Leach, whose services have been placed at the disposal of this Govt., is app. to offic. as civil asst. surg. at Futtehpore, during the absence on leave of Dr. Sheetz.

No. 433.—Rev. A. Brodhead, missionary at Futtehpore, is licensed to grant certificates of marriage between native Christians in the N.W.P.

April 19.—No. 1,303.—Mr. M. Sandys, joint mag. and dep. coll. of Bijnore, has 3 mo. priv. leave, from May 15 to June 15, and from Sept. 15 to Nov. 15 next.

April 20.—No. 1,317a.—Mr. F. M. Bird, mag. and coll. of Jounpore, is removed from his present appt., and posted as a joint mag. and dep. coll. of the 1st grade to Furruckabad.

No. 1,318a.—Mr. H. A. Harrison, joint mag. and dep. coll. at Etah, is app. to offic. as mag. and coll. of Jounpore.

No. 1,321a.—Mr. C. H. S. Crosthwaite, asst. in the settlement dept. at Meerut, is app. to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll. at Etah.

No. 1,322a.—Mr. T. B. Tracey, joint mag. and dep. coll. at Azimgurh, is transf. in his present capacity to Meerut.

No. 1,329a.—Mr. A. Sells, asst. mag. and coll. at Etawah, is app. to offic. as a joint mag. and dep. coll., from the date on which Mr. O. Grant received charge of the district of Futtehpore.

No. 1,331a.—Mr. M. A. McConaghey, asst. mag.

and coll. of Mynpoory, is app. to offic. as joint mag. and dep. coll.

No. 1,338a.—Mr. W. Duthoit, asst. mag. and coll. at Mirzapore, is app. an extra joint mag. and dep. coll. of 2nd grade.

April 18.—No. 85a.—Capt. J. T. Tovey, exec. engr., Agra and Bombay Road, is app. to offic. as exec. engr. of the Cawnpore div. public works, v. Capt. Russell.

Mr. T. Hamilton, asst. engr., will take charge of the Agra and Bombay Road div.

No. 86a.—Capt. W. Jackson, exec. engr., is transf. from 4th to 3rd div. Grand Trunk Road.

Mr. P. Caffery, asst. engr., 5th div. Grand Trunk Road, is posted to 4th div. Grand Trunk Road, v. Capt. Jackson.

April 21.—No. 402a.—Major M. Thomson reassumed charge of the office of district superint. of police at Cawnpore, on the 3rd inst.

No. 1,316a.—Asst. surg. T. W. Sheppard, whose services have been placed at the disposal of this Govt., is appointed civil asst. surg. of Azimgurh.

No. 1,351a.—Mr. C. J. Daniell, joint mag. and dep. coll., is app. a municipal comsnr. for the city of Shahjehanpore, v. Willock.

No. 1,353a.—Two mo. priv. leave is granted to Mr. S. M. Moens, N.A., joint mag. and dep. coll., Bareilly, with effect from May 15 next.

No. 1,361a.—With reference to Notification in this dept., No. 626a, dated 3rd ult., granting 6 mo. leave to Mr. A. Shakespear, comsnr. of the Benares division, Mr. G. P. Money, civil and sessions judge of Allahabad, is app. to offic. as comsnr. of Benares, during absence of Mr. Shakespear.

No. 1,362a.—Mr. J. W. Sherer, offic. civil and sessions judge of Mirzapore, is app. to offic. as civil and sessions judge of Allahabad, during the absence, on deputation, of Mr. Money.

No. 1,366a.—Mr. M. W. Sandys, joint mag. and dep. coll., 2nd grade, at Bijhour, is app. a joint mag. and dep. coll., 1st grade.

No. 1,367a.—Mr. J. R. Reid, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. at Budaon, is app. a joint mag. and dep. coll., 2nd grade, v. Mr. Sandys.

April 22.—No. 1,370a.—Six mo. leave to Europe, together with 13 days' prep. leave, is granted to Mr. W. McChlery, mag. and coll. of Mirzapore, with effect from 20th inst., or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 1,371a.—Mr. W. C. Turner, joint mag. and dep. coll. of Mirzapore, is app. to offic. as mag. and coll. of that station, during absence, on leave, of Mr. McChlery.

No. 1,377a.—Mr. J. P. Armstrong is app. a municipal comsnr. for the civil station of Cawnpore, v. Mr. W. H. Parker.

April 24.—No. 1,390a.—Three mo. leave is granted to Mr. W. J. Bramly, civil and sessions judge of Allygurh, with effect from 15th inst.

No. 1,395a.—Mr. H. G. Keene, mag. and coll. of Boolundshuhur, is app. to offic. as civil and sessions judge of Allygurh, during absence, on leave, of Mr. Bramly.

No. 1,396a.—Mr. H. B. Webster, joint mag. and dep. coll. at Boolundshuhur, is app. to offic. as mag. and coll. of that station, during absence, on deputation, of Mr. Keene.

April 25.—No. 1,412a.—The Right Hon. the Sec. of State for India having sanctioned the division of the Goruckpore district into two districts, with their head quarters at Goruckpore and Bustee respectively, Mr. F. Wigram, offic. mag. and coll. of Mynpoory, is app. to be mag. and coll. of the Bustee district.

No. 1,420a.—Mr. W. Kaye, joint mag. and dep. coll. at Agra, to offic. as mag. and coll. of Mynpoory, as a tempy. arrangement, until further orders.

Mr. T. Henvey, asst. mag. and coll. at Muttra, is invested with the full powers of a mag. as described in Sect. 22 of the Criminal Procedure Code, subject to the result of the examination recently held at Agra, and is transferred to Agra.

Mr. W. Burditt, asst. mag. and coll. at Goruckpore, is transferred in the same capacity, tempy., to the district of Bustee.

April 26.—No. 1,435a.—Three mo. priv. leave has been granted to the Rev. E. Templeman, N.A., chaplain of Futtehpore.

No. 1,446a.—Mr. H. C. Barstow, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll., Furruckabad, is transferred in the same capacity to Etawah.

April 27.—No. 1,460a.—Capt. W. J. Twyford, H.M.'s royal Welch fus., is app. to offic. as cantonment mag. of Agra, as a tempy. arrangement.

Capt. Twyford is invested with the powers of a mag. within the cantonment of Agra. Capt. Twyford is also invested with the powers of a Small Cause Court Judge within the same limits, in suits for an amount not exceeding Rs. 50.

No. 1,463a.—Mr. C. Grant, offic. mag. and coll. of Futtehpore, is app. mag. and coll. of Jounpore, v. Mr. F. M. Bird, but will continue to offic. as mag. and coll. of Futtehpore.

No. 1,467a.—Leave for 6 mo. is granted to Mr. M. Kempson, M.A., director of public instruction, N.W.P., together with 26 days' prep. leave, to enable him to reach the port of embarkation, with effect from May 7 next.

No. 1,472a.—Mr. T. B. Cann, inspector of public instruction for the 1st or Meerut circle, is app. to offic. as director of public instruction, N.W.P., during the absence on leave of Mr. Kempson, M.A.

No. 1,473a.—Mr. C. Pearson, M.A., asst. inspector of public instruction for the 1st circle, is app. to offic. as inspector of public instruction for the 1st circle, during the absence of Mr. Cann.

No. 1,474a.—Mr. E. T. Constable, N.A., professor of mathematics in the Govt. College, at Bareilly, is app. to offic. as asst. inspector of public instruction for the 1st circle, during the absence of Mr. Pearson.

No. 1,477a.—Asst. surg. G. S. Sutherland, M.D., superint. of vaccination, is app. to civil med. charge of Nynce Tal, as a tempy. arrangement, in addition to his other duties, from the date on which he relieved Dr. H. Kelsall.

No. 1,479.—Mr. J. Wilson is app. a joint mag. and dep. coll., 2nd grade, at Banda, from the date on which Mr. J. W. Quinton, N.A., made over charge of his duties at Meerut.

April 24.—No. 174a.—Mr. J. L. Parker, exec. engr., Futtehpore Branch Ganges Canal, has leave for 17 mo., on m.c., with usual prep. leave, to Eur., from 3rd prox.

Mr. A. W. Brind, exec. engr., 4th grade, will offic. as exec. engr. of the Futtehpore Branch Ganges Canal during Mr. Parker's absence.

No. 175a.—Mr. W. W. Culcheth, asst. engr. Futtehpore Branch Ganges Canal, is app. to offic. as exec. engr. of the Boolundshuhur Branch Ganges Canal, v. Mr. W. B. Macrone, whose services have been placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India.

April 25.—No. 181a.—The following promotions in the engr. and upper subordinate establishment of the public works dept., N.W.P., are hereby notified. These promotions will have effect from 1st inst. —

To be Executive Engineers, 4th Grade.

Lieut. F. J. Home, R.E., exec. engr., Agra Irrigation Works.

Mr. W. B. Macrone, offic. exec. engr., Boolundshuhur Branch Ganges Canal.

Mr. P. Caffery, exec. engr., 4th div. Grand Trunk Road.

Mr. A. W. Brind, exec. engr., Allygurh div. Ganges Canal.

To be Assistant Engineers, 1st Grade.

Mr. J. Sheldon, 3rd div. Grand Trunk Road.

Mr. T. Hamilton, Agra and Bombay Road.

To be Assistant Engineers, 2nd Grade.

Lieut. A. J. C. Cunningham, Rohilcund Trunk Road.

To be Assistant Engineers, 3rd Grade.

Mr. L. H. C. Armstrong, Agra and Bombay Road.

Mr. A. C. Bell, 4th div. Grand Trunk Road.

Mr. A. W. S. Connor, Gwalior div. Public Works.

Mr. W. A. Smith, Jhansie div. Public Works.

Mr. W. McCleery, 2nd Allahabad div. Public Works.

Mr. W. F. Heath, 6th div. Grand Trunk Road.

Mr. J. H. Penn, Bundelkhand Roads.

Mr. A. Dubus, Etawah div. Ganges Canal.

To be Civil Divisional Engineers, 1st Grade.

Mr. J. P. Armstrong, Allahabad Revenue div.

Mr. H. F. White, Goruckpore Revenue div.

Under the provisions of Govt. of India Circular No. 15, Mr. W. P. Conroy, asst. engr., Jhansie div., is placed in the grade of apprentice.

April 26.—No. 2,463.—Capt. L. Russell, R.E., exec. engr., 1st class, made over charge of the Cawnpore div. public works to Capt. W. Jackson, exec. engr., 4th div. Grand Trunk Road, on 11th inst.

April 28.—No. 2,538.—With reference to notification No. 1,869, dated March 25 last, Mr. E. L. Gilbert, asst. engr., 2nd grade, reported his arrival in the Jhansie div. public works on 9th inst.

May 2.—No. 331a.—Mr. R. D. Spedding, asst. magistrate and collector at Cawnpore, is invested with the full powers of a magistrate and collector.

No. 443a.—Priv. leave for 3 mo., under orders of Govt. of India, dated Oct. 13, 1863, is granted to Lieut. C. A. Dodd, personal assistant to the inspect. gen. of police, N.W.P., from 10th ult.

No. 444a.—Lieut. C. R. Matthews, asst. dist. superint. of police, is app. to officiate as personal assistant to the inspect. gen. of police, N.W.P., during Lieut. Dodd's absence.

April 28.—No. 1,481a.—Mr. D. M. Gardner,

B.A., joint mag. and dep. coll. 2nd grade, is posted to Moradabad.

No. 1,481a.—Major C. Warde, canton. mag. of Agra, is app. to officiate as junior asst. comsrs. of Kumaon till further orders.

No. 1,498a.—The Lieut. governor has been pleased to make the following appointments, with effect from 1st proximo:—

Mr. C. R. Lindsay to be judge of Goruckpore, continuing also to act as commissioner of Goruckpore.

Mr. C. Horne to be judge of Mynpoory.

Mr. J. R. Best to be judge of Benares, but to continue to officiate as judge of Futtehpoore.

Mr. C. J. H. Richardes to be mag. and coll. of Azimgurh.

Mr. H. D. Robertson to be mag. and coll. of Sheharunpoore.

Mr. A. R. Pollock to be mag. and coll. of Agra.

May 2.—No. 1,541a.—Mr. E. Waterfield, joint mag. and dep. coll. at Cawnpore, is transf. in his present capacity to Humeerpore.

No. 1,542a.—Mr. E. Montague, offic. joint mag. and dep. coll. at Humeerpore, is transf. in the same capacity to Cawnpore.

May 3.—No. 1,556a.—Mr. B. W. Colvin, senior asst. comr. and settlement officer of Kumaon, has 1 mo. priv. leave, with effect from 1st inst., or from the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of the same.

No. 1,557a.—Mr. J. O'B. Beckett, senior asst. comr. at Gurhwal, is app. to offic. as senior asst. comr. and settlement officer of Kumaon, during the absence on leave of Mr. B. W. Colvin.

No. 1,561a.—Mr. D. M. Gardner, B.A., joint mag. and dep. coll., is app. to offic. as senior asst. comr. at Gurhwal, during the absence, on deputation, of Mr. Beckett.

Allahabad, April 28.—No. 2,558.—Mr. T. E. Owen, asst. engr., 1st grade, availed himself on 15th inst. of the 3 mo. priv. leave granted to him in notification No. 2,177, dated 6th idem.

May 1.—No. 262a.—The foll. postings of civil engrs. in the Rohilkund div. are hereby notified:—

Mr. T. Knight, to the dist. of Bareilly.

Mr. J. A. Macdonald, to the dist. of Moradabad and Bijnour.

May 6.—No. 2,673.—With reference to notification No. 174a, dated 24th ult., Mr. A. W. Brind, exec. engr., 4th grade, received charge of the Futteh-gurh Branch, Ganges Canal, from Mr. Asst. engr. W. W. Culcheth, on the 17th idem.

BY THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR PUNJAB.

April 18.—No. 616.—Capt. E. P. Gurdon, asst. comr., to officiate as judge of the Small Cause Court at Umritsur.

No. 886.—Lieut. E. C. Corbyn, asst. comr., is transf. from the Goojrat to the Rawul Pindee dist., to be stationed at Murree.

No. 888.—Asst. surg. R. S. Bateson, in civil med. charge at Umballa, has priv. leave for 2 mo., with effect from such date, after April 30, as he may avail himself thereof.

No. 889.—The posting of Capt. E. P. Gurdon, asst. comr., to Shahpore, per *Punjab Gazette* order No. 690, dated March 27, is canc., and he is posted to the Umritsur dist.

April 13.—No. 7,901.—With reference to Govt. of India notification No. 64, dated Feb. 23, Lieut. col. C. W. Hutchinson made over charge of the office of suptdg. engr., 2nd circle, Punjab, to Lieut. col. J. D. Campbell on April 5.

No. 103.—Apts.—The regtl. order dated April 10, appg. Lieut. C. S. McLean, 2nd in com. and squadron officer, to offic. as comdt.; and Lieut. G. Stewart, adjt., to offic. as 2nd in com. and squadron officer, consequent on the departure of Col. W. T. Hughes, comdg. 1st Punjab cav., on leave, is confirmed.

April 25.—No. 8,232.—Mr. E. H. Dupuis, offic. exec. engr., Hansie div., Western Jumna Canals, is allowed 1 mo. priv. leave, from May 1 next, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it.

No. 8,236.—Lieut. E. Trevor, R.E., dep. controller public works accounts, Punjab, has 1 mo. leave to proceed to the Presidency, prep. to applying for leave to England, m.c., from such date as he may avail himself of it.

April 21.—No. 908.—Appt.—Mr. F. W. R. Fryer, civil service, is appd. an asst. comr. of the 3rd class, and posted to the Goojrat dist.

No. 910.—The following officers who presented themselves for examination before the divl. committees assembled April 3, have been passed by the central committee:—

For the Higher Standard.

Mr. C. A. Roe, asst. comr., with great credit.

Mr. T. W. H. Tolbert, 'asst. comr., with great credit.

Mr. R. Bruce, extra asst. comr., with credit.

Mr. A. R. Bulman, asst. comr., with credit.

Mr. E. Parker, offic. extra asst. comr., with credit.

Mr. J. E. Rowe, offic. extra asst. comr., with credit.

Lieut. E. C. Corbyn, asst. comr.

Mr. J. Goldney, extra asst. comr.

For the Lower Standard.

Mr. T. Roberts, asst. comr., with credit.

Mr. M. McAuliffe, asst. comr.

Mr. G. M. Ogilvie, asst. comr.

Mr. A. G. Walker, asst. comr.

Mr. H. W. Steel, asst. comr.

Mr. A. H. Benton, asst. comr.

Mr. J. Frizelle, asst. comr.

Mr. C. R. Hawkins, asst. comr.

No. 911.—The following officers having passed the examination for the higher standard, are vested, in the criminal department, with the powers of a mag., and with full powers in the civil and revenue depts.:—

Mr. C. A. Roe, asst. comr.

Mr. T. W. H. Tolbert, asst. comr.

Mr. R. Bruce, extra asst. comr.

Mr. A. R. Bulman, asst. comr.

Mr. J. E. Rowe, offic. extra asst. comr.

Lieut. E. C. Corbyn, asst. comr.

Mr. J. Goldney, extra asst. comr.

The following officers, having passed the examination for the lower standard, are vested, in the criminal dept., with the powers of a subord. mag. of the 1st class, and in the civil and revenue depts. with the special powers of an asst.:—

Messrs. T. Roberts, M. McAuliffe, G. M. Ogilvie, A. G. Walker, H. W. Steel, A. H. Benton, J. Frizelle, and C. R. Hawkins, asst. comsrs.

No. 90.—It is notified that, with the sanc. of the Govt. of India, the med. charge of the 5th Goorkha regt. is made a 2 years' appt.

No. 91.—With reference to the above, and with the app. of H.E. the Viceroy, Asst. surg. J. R. Johnson, 1st Sikh inf., is transf. to the 5th Goorkha regt.

April 21.—No. 394.—Capt. H. L. Millett, in comd. 5th regt. Punjab cav., has leave from May 1 to July 1, to Bombay, prep. to applying for furl. to Eur. on m.c.

April 20.—No. 8,095.—Lieut. M. G. Clerk, asst. engr. Rawul Pindee div., is allowed 3 mo. priv. leave, in lieu of the prep. leave granted by Punjab Govt. in notification No. 6,155, dated Feb. 11, and No. 7,300 dated March 24.

Lieut. col. D. G. Robinson to offic. as dep. surv. gen. of India, with the superintendence of the rev. survey.

April 17.—No. 3,600.—Mr. F. R. Hogg, post-master gen. of the Punjab, has priv. leave for 2 mo. and 16 days, from Aug. 1 next. Of the leave granted to Mr. Hogg on Feb. 16, that officer availed himself of only 14 days.

No. 3,601.—The Rev. J. Robinson, M.A., chap. on the Bengal eccle-siastical estab., is perm. to proc. to Eur. on furl. for 18 mo. from the date of embarkation.

April 22.—No. 116.—Commander G. Peck, of the steamer *Jhelum*, has obtained priv. leave for 3 mo., with effect from the date of his being relieved.

No. 635.—Mr. T. Smith, asst. dist. superint. of police, to offic. as dist. superint. in the Jhung dist., v. Mr. R. Kinchant.

April 25.—No. 658.—Mr. E. Tronson to offic., from May 1, 1865, as an asst. dist. superint. of police, v. Lieut. E. C. O'B. Horsford, offic. dist. superint. of police, v. Lieut. E. Newbery.

April 25.—No. 940.—Transfers.—Asst. surg. H. Cookson, from the civil med. charge of Googaira to that of Hoshiarpore.

April 22.—No. 99.—With the sanction of the Govt. of India, Asst. surg. C. P. Costello, 6th Punjab inf., is transf. to the 5th Punjab cav., v. Asst. surg. T. Sheehy.

No. 100.—With reference to G.G.O. No. 345, dated April 1, the following asst. surgs. are posted to the regts. specified:—

Asst. surg. A. P. Holmes, M.D., to the 1st Sikh inf., in suc. to Asst. surg. J. R. Johnson.

Asst. surg. E. A. Fitzgerald, to the 2nd Sikh inf., in suc. to Asst. surg. Lidderdale.

Asst. surg. R. T. Lyons, to the 6th Punjab inf., in suc. to Asst. surg. C. P. Costello.

No. 101.—Appointment.—Capt. C. McW. Mercer, R.A., is app. private secretary and A.D.C. on the personal staff of the Hon. the Lieut. gov., in suc. to Capt. A. S. Heyland, R.A., who has been permitted, at his own request, to resign the app.

April 25.—No. 102.—Leave.—Capt. T. H. Salt, comg. No. 3 light field baty., from June 14 to Oct. 31, on m.c., to Simlah, in ext.

April 28.—No. 676.—Capt. R. H. Wall, dist. superint. of police, Goojranwalla, has priv. leave for 3 mo., with effect from May 1.

No. 677.—Transfer.—Mr. R. C. Jones, asst. dist. superint. of police, from the Goordaspoor to the Goojranwalla dist., and to hold charge of the latter dist. from such date as Capt. Wall may avail himself of his leave.

No. 678.—Mr. T. A. O'Connor, asst. dist. superint. of police, Goorgaon, has priv. leave for 1 mo., with effect from May 5.

No. 680.—The Hon. the Lieut. gov. has been pleased to confirm the appointment by the judge of the Small Cause Court at Umritsur of Mr. C. F. Hand, as clerk of that court.

No. 957.—Capt. C. C. Minchin, offic. dep. comr., Dehra Ghazee Khan, has obtained priv. leave of absence for 15 days, with effect from May 19, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of the same.

No. 961.—Lieut. R. T. M. Lang, asst. comr., Jhelum, has obtained priv. leave of absence for 3 mo., with effect from April 25, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of the same.

May 2.—No. 702.—Mr. F. J. G. Hatchell is appointed to offic. as asst. dist. superint. of police, in the room of Mr. T. Smith, offic. dist. superint. of Jhung, v. Mr. R. Kinchant, B.A., on sick leave.

Mr. Hatchell is posted to the Rawul Pindee dist.

No. 707.—Lieut. C. McNeile, dist. superint. of police, Peshawur, has obtained priv. leave of absence for 2 mo.

No. 709.—Mr. W. Coldstream, offic. judge of the Small Cause Court at Delhi, is invested with the powers of a dep. comr. in respect to civil suits.

April 28.—No. 964.—Transfer.—Mr. H. W. Steel, asst. comr., from the Rawul Pindee to the Jhelum dist.

No. 980.—Mr. M. S. Champneys, C.S., is apptd. an asst. comr. of the 3rd class in the Punjab, and posted to the Hoshiarpore dist.

No. 981.—Transfers.—Mr. T. W. Moore, extra asst. comr., from the Lahore to the Dera Ismail Khan dist., to be stationed at Bukkur.

No. 982.—Mr. J. R. G. Gouldsbury, extra asst. comr., from the Goordaspoor to the Lahore dist., to be stationed at Kussoor.

No. 983.—Mr. G. M. Ogilvie, asst. comr., from the Umritsur to the Goojranwalla dist.

No. 984.—Mr. J. W. Smyth, personal asst. to the judicial comr., is temporarily placed at the disposal of the dep. comr. of Kangra, for employment as an asst. comr. at Dhurmsala.

No. 985.—Appointment.—Mr. L. H. Griffin, asst. comr., to offic. as personal asst. to the judicial comr., during the absence of Mr. J. W. Smyth.

May 3.—No. 1,003.—Mr. J. D. Tremlett, asst. comr., Jullunder, has priv. leave of absence for 3 mo., with effect from June 8, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of the same.

May 22.—No. 105.—Leave.—Lieut. E. J. De Lantour, doing duty officer, Huzara Mountain train batty., on private affairs, from July 1 to Oct. 31, 1865.

April 28.—No. 8,337.—The foll. proms. are sanctioned by H.H. the Lieut. gov., with effect from April 1, 1865, in accordance with standing order pub. works dept., No. 13 of 1865:—

To be exec. engr., 1st grade.—Capt. G. A. Craster, R.E., exec. engr., Mooltan div.

To be exec. engr., 2nd grade.—Major C. Dumbleton, exec. engr., Upper Sirhind div.

To be exec. engr., 3rd grade.—Lieut. A. M. Brandreth, R.E., exec. engr., Kohat div.

Mr. J. Gordon, exec. engr., Umritsur civil works.

To be exec. engr., 4th grade.—Mr. W. B. Harrington, asst. engr., 1st grade, on special duty.

Mr. P. J. Flynn, asst. engr., 1st grade, 1st div., Lahore and Peshawur road.

To be asst. engr., 1st grade.—Mr. A. Fenner, asst. engr., 3rd div., Lahore and Peshawur road.

Lieut. C. E. Garstin, asst. engr., 2nd div., Baree Doab Canal.

Lieut. B. Lovett, asst. engr., Kohat div.

Lieut. R. H. Palmer, offic. exec. engr., 2nd div., Baree Doab Canal.

Mr. W. Stevens, asst. engr., Sutlej and Chenab Inundation Canal.

The foll. proby. asst. engr. to be asst. engr., 3rd grade:—

Mr. A. Adams, asst. engr., 8th div. Grand Trunk road.

Mr. R. D. Falkner, asst. engr., bridges and branch roads div.

Mr. E. James, asst. engr., Lahore div.

Mr. C. B. Leupolt, asst. engr., hill roads div.
Mr. J. Macdowell, asst. engr., 4th div. Baree Doab canal.

Mr. W. Quarry, asst. engr., hill roads div.
Mr. Sibbold, asst. engr., 1st div. Baree Doab canal.

Mr. R. H. Tulloh, asst. engr., Jullundur div. ~~Feb. 22~~
No. 8,340.—Mr. J. D. Smithe, exec. engr., 2nd class, Punjab, having reported his return to Bombay from leave to Europe, has 1 mo.'s leave to rejoin.

May 5.—No. 721.—Transfers.—Mr. C. E. Powell, asst. dist. superint. of police, from the Kurnal to the Loodiana dist.

No. 722.—Mr. R. S. Bruere, asst. dist. superint. of police, from the Rawul Pindee to the Goordaspur dist.

May 6.—No. 303.—Mr. W. T. Blewitt, collector of customs, Delhi, has priv. leave for 1 mo.

May 5.—No. 1,017.—Mr. A. Brandreth, dep. comsnr., Goojranwalla, has leave, m.c., for 3 mo.

No. 1,019.—Mr. S. S. Thorburn, C.S., is app. an asst. comsnr. 3rd cl. in the Punjab, and posted to the Loodiana district.

No. 1,020.—Mr. J. W. Gardiner, C.S., is appointed an asst. comsnr. 3rd cl. in the Punjab, and posted to the Goordaspur district.

No. 1,021.—Rev. R. Thackwell, of the American Presbyterian Mission, is hereby licensed, under section 8 of Act 5 of 1865, to solemnise marriages within the territories of the Punjab Govt., to grant certificates of marriage between native Christians.

May 8.—No. 1,039.—Transf.—Lieut. R. P. Nisbet, asst. comr., from the Jullundur to the Kangra dist., from May 1, as a temp. arrangement.

No. 1,040.—The services of Mr. D. G. Barkley, M.A., personal asst. to the comr. of Umballa, are placed at the disposal of the comr. of Delhi, for employment as asst. comr. at Delhi, with effect from the date of his arrival.

May 9.—No. 1,050.—Appts.—Asst. surg. P. Quinlan, in med. charge of the troops at Kangra, is appd. to superintend the civil dispensary at Kangra, with effect from May 1.

No. 1,059.—Maj. H. P. Babbage, asst. comr., to offic. as dep. comr. of Goojranwalla, during the absence of Mr. A. Brandreth on leave.

Maj. Babbage is vested with the powers described.

May 10.—No. 1,060.—Appt.—Mr. F. P. Beachcroft, civil service, is appd. an asst. comr. of the 3rd class in the Punjab, and posted to the Umritsur district.

May 9.—No. 255.—Appt.—Mr. H. W. Stanley is app. acct. of the 4th grade, to fill a vacancy, and is posted to the office of controller of public works accounts.

No. 270.—Transfers:—

Mr. W. B. Harrington, exec. engr. 4th class, from the Mooltan to the Rawul Pindee div.

Mr. Harrington will be employed as an asst. engr., under the operation of Govt. of India's Circular, No. 15, of Feb. 18.

No. 271.—Gazette order, No. 777, dated April 8, transf. Lieut. F. B. Spragge, asst. engr., from the Upper Sirhind to the Rawul Pindee div. is cane. Punjab Irregular Force.

1st Inf.—Lieut. J. M. Tulloch, of the gen. list, inf., doing duty with the 41st N.I., to offic. as doing duty officer during the absence of Lieut. T. T. Oliphant.

BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Head Quarters, Simla, April 11.—Permitting Maj. S. B. Cookson, staff corps, to proceed to Meerut for general duty.

Dated the 14th idem.—Directing Lieut. W. D. Sladen, of the 101st foot, to proceed to Chinsurah for duty with a detachment of troops proceeding to the Upper Provinces; and Staff asst. surg. E. J. Hatchell, doing duty with the 54th foot, to proceed and report himself to the officer comdg. the Chinsurah depot for duty with a detachment of troops proceeding to Allahabad, and thence to rejoin his regt.

The following Sirhind div. orders are confirmed:—
Dated Feb. 10 last.—Directing Staff asst. surg. R. J. P. Cunningham, m.d., to proceed and assume med. charge of the Kussowlie convalescent depot pending the arrival of Asst. surg. A. P. M. Corbett, m.d.

Dated the 25th idem.—Permitting Lieut. E. J. Webber, 3rd squadron officer, of the 16th Bengal cav., to remain and do duty with the 10th Bengal cav.

The following Gwalior distr. orders are confirmed:—
Dated Feb. 14 last.—Directing Col. W. H. Delamain to assume com., as a temp. arrangement, v. Brig. gen. H. Tomb, c.b., v.c., proceeded to the presidency on duty.

The following Barrackpore station orders are confirmed:—

Dated Feb. 22 last.—Directing Lieut. col. J. L. Walker, comdt. of the 38th N.I., to assume command of the station.

Dated 10th idem.—Directing asst. surg. G. Bremner, m.d., Lahore light horse, to receive med. charge of the 38th N.I. from Asst. surg. T. P. Wright, appd. to civil station, Bhaugulpore.

The following orders are confirmed:—

Hazareebaugh station order, dated Jan. 25 last, appg. Lieut. A. M. Bonar, G. baty., 16th brig., R.A., to offic. as station staff, v. Lieut. J. G. Campbell, of the late 15th N.I.

Benares div. order, dated Feb. 18 last, directing Asst. surg. A. R. Waghorn, to proceed to Julpigoree, his services being urgently required there.

Oude div. order, dated Feb. 20 last, directing the following med. arrangements:—

Staff asst. surg. H. H. Phillips, m.d., to proceed and join the 2nd batn. 12th foot at Seetapore.

Staff asst. surg. J. Barry, m.d., to proceed to Muttra, and relieve Asst. surg. J. Davidge from the med. charge of the 2nd drag. gds.

Peshawur brig. order, dated Feb. 21 last, appg. Col. E. Kaye, R.A., to assume com. of the brig., v. Maj. gen. W. O'G. Haly, c.b., appd. to the com. of the Lahore div.

By the officer comdg. the 10th Bengal cav., dated Feb. 26 last, appg. Lieut. E. J. Webber, 3rd squadron officer, 16th Bengal cav., to offic. as 3rd squadron officer to the regt.

By Lieut. col. E. D. Watson, comdg. 11th N.I., dated Feb. 24 last, appg. Lieut. P. H. M. Wynter, late 32nd N.I., to act as qmr.

By the officer comdg. 24th N.I., dated 1st ult., directing the following appts, v. Maj. C. O'B. Palmer, res.:—

Lieut. E. J. McNair, qmr. and wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in com. and wing officer.

Lieut. F. M. Newbery, adjt., to offic. as wing officer, and to assume charge of the qmr's office, there being no qualified officer available.

Lieut. J. A. McNeale, officg. qmr., to offic. as adjt.

By the officer comdg. 30th N.I., dated 2nd ult., appg. Lieut. J. G. Campbell to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Lieut. W. Cabell, appd. to 31st N.I.

By the officer comdg. the 3rd Bengal cav., dated 6th ult., app. Lieut. S. A. Swinley, gen. list, cav., to offic. as doing duty officer and 3rd squad. officer, v. Lieut. G. W. Wilcock, officg. as adjt.

Peshawur div. order, dated 9th ult., appgt. Capt. H. Wood, of the 3rd batt. rifle brig., to offic. as fort adjt., Attock garrison, in addition to his other duties.

By the officer comdg. the 38th N.I., dated 11th ult., directing the following appts, v. Lieut. col. J. L. Walker, dec.

Maj. H. H. Hodgson, 2nd in comd. and wing officer, to assume command.

Capt. J. A. Vanrenen, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in comd. and wing officer.

Lieut. H. L. A. Tottenham, qr.mr., to offic. as wing officer in addition to his other duties.

The undermtd. officers have leave of absence:—
Royal Horse Artillery.—Lieut. col. S. Stallard (C brig.), from date of embark., to England, on m.c.

Medical Staff.—Staff surg. maj. H. Downes, m.d. (attached to the 38th foot), from date of embark., for 15 mo. to England, on priv. affairs.

Late 14th N.I.—Major A. O. Wood, from Feb. 20, to date of embark., in ext., to remain in Calcutta.

April 17.—H.E. has been pleased to app. Capt. the Hon. W. Harbord, 7th Queen's own hussars, to be A.-de-C. on his personal staff, with effect from the 5th inst.

The following Dinapore brigade orders are confirmed:—

Dated the 12th idem.—Directing Asst. surg. A. F. S. Clarke, m.d., F. batty. 16th brig. R.A., to assume med. charge of the brig. staff, v. Asst. surg. A. Turner, m.d., of the 27th foot, proceeding with his regt.

The following Dum-Dum station orders are confirmed:—

Dated Feb. 22.—Directing Major G. A. St. P. Fooks, staff corps, to assume command of the station.

Dated Feb. 23.—Directing Staff asst. surg. R. W. Lawless to assume medical charge of the station, v. Surg. J. Inkson, m.d., 80th foot, proceeded with his regiment.

The following Oude division orders are confirmed:—

Dated 8th ult.—Appointing Asst. surg. R. Sutherland, 5th lancers, to medical charge of the divisional and brigade staff, in addition to his other duties, v.

Surg. J. White, m.d., 8th Bengal cav., proceeded with his regiment.

Dated 12th ult.—Appg. Brigdr. gen. D. Rainier, 98th foot, to assume command of the division until further orders, v. Major gen. A. M. Becher, c.b., transferred to the Sirhind division.

The following Agra garrison and station orders are confirmed:—

Dated 9th ult.—Directing Asst. surg. J. Atkinson, of the R.A., and hospital apprentice V. Bayley, of the 1st batt. 23rd foot, to accompany No. 6 baty., 22nd brig., R.A., proceeding to Meeran Meer.

The foll. Benares div. orders are confirmed:—

Dated 25th idem.—App. Capt. C. E. Foster, of the 58th foot, and Lieut. G. A. P. Arbuthnot, of the late 4th Eur. L.C., doing gen. duty, to do duty with a detachment of convalescents, en route to Kussowlie, and to be att. to the depot during the present hot weather.

The foll. Umballah brig. orders are confirmed:—

Dated the 17th idem.—Directing Lieut. col. H. Nicoll, staff corps, asst. adjt. gen., to offic. as major of brig. in add. to his other duties, v. Capt. H. D. Marsh, of the 82nd foot, proceeded on m.c.

The foll. Barrackpore station orders are confirmed:—

Dated the 12th ult.—Directing the following med. arrangements:—

Asst. surg. G. Bremner, m.d., Lahore light horse, to afford med. aid to the sick of the 34th N.I., as a temp. measure.

Surg. W. White, m.d., F.R.C.S., of the 16th brig., royal art., to assume temp. med. charge of the station staff.

The following orders are confirmed:—

Allyghur station order, dated 3rd ult., directing Civil Assist. Surg. C. Kilkelly, m.d., to afford med. aid to the detachments of the 19th and 28th N.I., with effect from Feb. 22.

Cawnpore brigade order, dated 13th ult., app. Assist. Surg. H. F. Paterson, m.d., G battery, 11th brigade, royal artillery, to med. charge of the detachments of native cavalry and infantry at the station, in addition to his other duties, with effect from the 2nd idem.

Leave of absence:—

12th Foot.—Majors R. Atkinson, 2nd batt., from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Nynee Tal, on private affairs; and W. H. Queade, 2nd batt., from April 1 to July 31, to Mussorie, on private affairs; Capt. G. G. Newton, 2nd batt., from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Nynee Tal; Lieuts. W. H. B. Peters and J. E. Harris, 2nd batt., from April 15 to Oct. 15, to Cashmere, on private affairs; and Ensign J. A. Little, 2nd batt., from April 15 to July 15, to Nynee Tal.

19th Foot.—Lieut. J. F. Fraser, 1st batt., from April 1 to Oct. 1, to visit Dhurmsala and the adjacent hills, on m.c.

23rd Foot.—Ens. J. J. Mahon, 1st batt., from date of leaving the regt., to Calcutta for 1 mo., on m.c.

36th Foot.—Ens. W. H. Marriott, from April 1 to Oct. 1, to visit Nynee Tal and Almorah, on m.c.

58th Foot.—Lieut. R. E. Huxham, from March 27 to Sept. 27, to visit Nynee Tal and Almorah, on m.c.

77th Foot.—Col. T. J. Deverell, from April 15 to Oct. 15, to visit Nynee Tal.

91st Foot.—Capt. J. A. Kysh, paymaster, from March 15 to April 15, to Calcutta, on m.c.

Late 21st N.I.—Lieut. J. P. Harris, qmr. 1st N.I., from April 15 to Oct. 15, to visit Simla and the hills north of Derah.

Gen. List, Inf.—Lieut. A. Harden (attached to 15th N.I.), from Feb. 10 to March 10, to remain at Calcutta, on m.c.

Head Qrs., Simla, April 19.—The following Saugor station orders are confirmed:—

Dated the 11th ult.—Placing the services of Staff asst. surg. H. F. L. Melladew, m.d., at the disposal of the officer commanding 97th foot for duty.

Dated the 13th idem.—Directing Staff asst. surg. W. J. Page, 97th foot, to proceed to Nowgong and relieve Asst. surg. S. E. Maunsell, proceeding in charge of convalescents to Nynee Tal.

Dated the 27th idem.—Directing Staff asst. surg. A. Minty, m.d., doing duty with the royal artillery, to do duty with 97th foot.

The foll. Gwalior district orders are confirmed:—

Dated the 19th ult.—Directing the underment officers to do duty with a detachment of convalescents proceeding to Kussowlie:—

Capt. G. Malcolm, 34th foot, to comd.

Lieut. H. T. Sheppard, 34th foot, and Ensign V. C. E. Farker, 104th foot, to do duty.

Dated the 22nd idem.—Directing Lieut. W. H. Brind, 104th foot, to proceed to Kussowlie with the above detachment, v. Ens. V. C. E. Parker, 104th foot, directed to rejoin his regt. at Jhansi.

Dated the 11th inst.—Apptg. Lieut. T. J. C. A. Studdy, R.A., and W. B. Barwell, 2nd squad officer, 16th Ben. cav., the former as station interpreter and the latter as station staff.

The following orders are confirmed:—

By the officer commanding the 18th Bengal cav., dated Feb. 12 last, app. Lieut. H. J. Barton, offic. 3rd squad. officer, to offic. as doing duty officer, in addition to his other duties, with effect from the 1st idem.

By the officer commanding the 2nd batt. 12th foot, dated Feb. 13 last, app. Lieut. J. O. Johnson to offic. as qrmr., v. Qr. mr. J. E. Tripp, dec.

Meerut station order, dated the 2nd ult., directing Col. J. W. Fitzmayer, C.B., R.A., to assume charge of the station, v. Maj. gen. F. Wheler, C.B., proceeded on duty.

Darjeeling station order, dated the 4th ult., directing Staff asst. surg. R. R. Scott, in med. charge of the convalescent depot, to afford med. aid to a detachment of the 80th foot at Jellapahar in addition to his other duties, v. Asst. surg. R. W. Hare, M.B., 80th foot, proceeded to Sinchal.

By the officer commanding the 25th N.I., dated the 4th ult., appointing Lieut. E. W. Smyth, gen. list, inf., to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Lieut. J. N. Steel, doing duty with the 19th hussars.

By the officer cmdg. 1st batn. 23rd foot, dated 6th ult. appg. Lieut. L. J. W. Madden, asst. instructor of musketry, v. Ens. J. C. Bradshaw, res.

Roorkee station order, dated 8th ult., appg. Maj. J. P. Sherriiff, late 35th N.I., station interpreter, there being no qualified officer available, and also to act as station staff, v. Maj. H. E. Read, late 50th N.I., proceeded on leave.

By the officer cmdg. 31st N.I., dated 9th ult., directing the following appts.:—

Capt. W. Cabell, late 62nd N.I., officg. adjt., to offic. as wing officer.

Lieut. J. F. Trevanion, late 21st N.I., to offic. as adjt.

Cherrapoonjee station order, dated 11th ult., appg. Lieut. and adjt. H. Thompson, 39th N.I., station staff, v. Lieut. and qrmr. E. P. Ommanney, 44th N.I.

By the officer cmdg. the 24th N.I., dated the 11th ult., appg. Lieut. T. St. Q. Clutterbuck, gen. list inf., to act as qrmr., v. Lieut. F. M. Newbery.

By the officer cmdg. the 7th Bengal cav., dated the 11th ult., directing the following appts. during the abs. on m.c., of Lieut. col. T. F. Wilson, C.B.: Major W. J. Ward, 2nd in cmd. and squad. officer, to offic. as cmdnt.

Lieut. H. L. Hawkins, 2nd squad. officer, to offic. as 2nd in cmd. and squad. officer, in addition to his other duties.

Lieut. H. C. Creak, 3rd squad. officer, to offic. as 2nd squad. officer, in addition to his other duties.

By the officer cmdg. the 3rd N.I., dated the 11th ult., directing the following appts., v. Major C. H. Byers, proc. on leave:—

Capt. R. Blair, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in cmd. and wing officer.

Lieut. and Adj. H. de Brett, to offic. as wing officer, in addition to his other duties.

Seepree station order, dated the 12th ult., appg. Lieut. F. W. Simpson, 4th N.I., station staff, there being no qualified officer available.

Jullundur brig. order, dated the 13th ult., directing Asst. surg. F. P. Staples, 1st batt. 19th foot, to afford med. aid to 45th N.I., detachment of 10th Ben. cav. and station staff, and also to assume med. charge of the jail and civil station during absence of Asst. surg. M. H. Lackersteen, 45th N.I.

By the officer commanding the 32nd N.I., dated the 14th ult., appg. Lieut. A. G. Hartshorne, gen. list, inf., to offic. as doing duty officer, with effect from Jan. 26 last.

Jubbulpore station order, dated the 15th ult., directing the following med. arrangements:—

Staff asst. surg. A. Thomson, M.D., doing duty with A batty. 16th brig. R.A., to assume medical charge of 91st foot.

Asst. surg. J. B. Hamilton, M.D., A batty. 16th brig. R.A., to assume med. charge of the squad. of 1st Ben. cav., v. Staff asst. surg. A. Thomson, M.D.

By the officer commanding the 6th N.I., dated the 15th ult., directing Lieut. A. T. Davis, doing duty officer, to offic. as adjt., v. Lieut. and adjt. A. G. Handcock, appointed to offic. as dep. judge advocate gen., Lahore div.

By the officer cmdg. 3rd Bengal cav., dated 16th ult., app. Capt. A. R. D. Mackenzie, late 1st Eur. L.C., to offic. as 2nd squad. officer, v. Capt. D. W. Wise, proceeded on duty to the presy.

Dacca Station order, dated 17th ult., directing Lieut. W. E. Rutherford, late 28th N.I., offic. adj. 17th N.I., to receive charge of the outpost guns

and station staff office, from Lieut. T. D. Madden, Adj. 5th N.I.

By the officer cmdg. the 19th N.I., dated the 18th ult., directing the following appts., v. Maj. J. F. Stafford, proceeded on m.c.:—

Capt. J. Ruggles, 2nd in command and wing officer, to assume command.

Capt. W. A. Garden, wing officer, to offic. as 2nd in command and wing officer.

Lieut. A. Copland, adjt., to offic. as wing officer.

Lieut. C. H. Bergman, qrmr., to offic. as adj.

Lieut. J. E. Waller, doing duty officer, to offic. as qrmr.

Lieut. J. H. Baldwin, late 68th N.I., to offic. as doing duty officer.

By the officer cmdg. 44th N.I., dated 20th ult., appg. Lieut. J. L. Ferris, late 12th N.I., to offic. as doing duty officer, v. Lieut. E. N. D. La Touche, officg. adjt., with effect from Nov. 14 last.

MADRAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Fort St. George, May 5.—Lieut. col. R. Knox, H.M.'s 18th hussars, to be a lay trustee of the Trinity Church, at Bangalore, v. Col. Pattle.

Mr. J. G. Firth, tahsildar of Bellary, to be a member of the municipal committee for the civil pettahs of Bellary.

Mr. C. N. Pochin, acting civil and session judge of Madura, received charge of the court and jail from Mr. J. D. Goldingham, on the 29th ult.

Mr. W. Hudleston, secy. to the Board of Revenue, resumed charge of his office from Mr. R. A. Dalyell, on the 2nd inst.

Capt. R. H. Beddome, officg. conservator of forests, assumed charge of the office of conservator of forests on the 25th ult.

The Gov. in Council is pleased to authorise Mr. O. B. Irvine, acting head asst. to the coll. and mag. of South Arcot, to perform the duties and exercise the powers which, by the aforesaid Act, are assigned to and conferred on the mag. of the dist.

The undermentioned gentlemen of the Madras C.S. attained the rank of 2nd class on April 30:—Messrs. C. Collett, G. A. Ballard, R. E. Master, W. Hudleston, W. S. Nesbitt, and J. H. Blair.

No. 169.—Insp. Gen. of Hospitals D. Macpherson, M.D., honorary physician to H.M., to act as president of the Sanitary Commission, during the absence of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, C.B., on leave.

The undermentioned officers are permitted to proceed to Europe:—

Major W. F. W. Read, of the staff corps, on furl. for 2 years, under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Capt. H. C. Roberts, of the staff corps, superint. of family payments and pensions, on m.c. for 20 mo., under the furl. regs. of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Surg. maj. H. F. C. Cleghorn, M.D., conservator of forests, for 6 mo., without pay, from date of embarkation from Madras.

May 2.—The Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation by the Hon. W. R. Arbuthnot of his appt. as additional member of H.E.'s Council for the purpose of making laws and regs.

Leave of absence:—

Rev. W. S. Smith, domestic chaplain to the Right rev. the Bishop of Madras, for 9 mo., from the date of the sailing of the first P. and O. steamer in June, to proceed to England.

Asst. coms. M. Howard, sub-engr., 3rd class, sick leave in India, under the gen. regs., from April 1 to July 31.

Appointments:—

Mr. H. Linton to be head asst. to the coll. and mag. of Nellore, but to continue to act as head asst. in the Godavery dist., during the employment of Mr. Melville on other duty.

Mr. F. R. H. Sharp, asst. to the coll. and mag. of Trichinopoly, to act as head asst. to the coll. and mag. of the Kurnool dist., during the employment of Mr. Webster on other duty.

Mr. G. D. Irvine to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of the South Arcot district.

Mr. C. J. Crosthwaite to be asst. to the coll. and mag. of the Tinnevely district.

Lieut. F. R. Trevor, 2nd regt. N.I., to be proby. asst. supt. of police, 2nd class, in the Cuddapah district.

Mr. G. R. Leggett to act as civil engr. to the municipal commissioners, and Mr. N. Morison to act as assessor and coll. of municipal rates and taxes, on prob. for 6 mo., to have effect from the

date on which Mr. R. E. Norfor vacates his office as civil engr.

Mr. G. L. Morris, coll. and mag. of Tanjore, assumed charge of the district from Mr. C. G. Plumer on April 19.

The leave for 6 mo. granted in the revenue dept. to Dr. Cleghorn, M.D., conservator of forests, on the 22nd ult., is cancelled.

The following transfer is ordered:—

Lieut. J. Pennycuik, royal engr., from the Presidency to Bangalore.

Rev. O. Dene, B.A., chaplain of Trichinopoly, has priv. leave for 2 mo., from the date of quitting his station.

April 29.—Mr. J. G. Ferrand, district registrar of Madras, is app. dep. registrar gen., during the registrar-general's absence from the presidency on duty.

May 2.—No. 163.—The undermentioned officer is permitted to proceed to Europe:—

Inspector gen. of Hospitals J. Shaw, F.R.C.S., of the med. dept., on m.c. for 6 mo., under the furlough regulations of 1854, and to embark from Madras.

Lieut. A. H. A. Colville, of the cav. gen. list, doing duty 3rd regt. L.C., is permitted to proceed to Bombay on m.c.

The first 60 days of the leave to Simla, Mussoorie, and the Hills north of Deyrah, granted in G.O.G. 4th April, 1865, No. 128, to Lieut. W. W. Edwards, cadre 8th regt. L.C., acting adj. 3rd regt. L.C., are to be considered as "privilege leave."

Lieut. J. W. Woodhouse, dep. asst. commissary of ordnance, is permitted to relinquish his appointment in the Ordnance dept., from May 1.

May 2.—No. 166.—Madras Staff Corps.—The undermentioned officer having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provisions of paras. 2 and 7 of G.O.G.G. No. 531 of 1864, republished in Madras G.O.G. July 22, 1864, No. 276, is admitted thereto from the date specified against his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secretary of State for India:—

Capt. M. W. Carr, 9th regt. N.I., asst. insp. gen. (late asst. superint.) Madras police, Oct. 22, 1861.

Capt. A. J. Butt, having completed 20 years' service, 6 of which were on permanent staff employ, to be maj. from May 1, 1865, under the Royal Warrant of Jan. 16, 1861, subject to H.M.'s approval.

No. 167.—Madras Volunteer Guards.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to accept the resignation by the undermentioned officer of his commission in the Volunteer Guards:—

Maj. A. M. Ritchie.

The following promotion is made:—

Ens. A. A. Lowe, of No. 3 Co., to be lieut., v. Oakes, resigned.

May 5.—No. 172.—The following extracts from notifications in the *Gazette of India* are republished:—

Fort William, April 21.—No. 3,620.—Lieut. G. A. Stover, officg. dep. comsr., 4th grade, assumed charge of the office of mag. of Akyab on March 4 from Maj. E. J. Spillsbury, dep. comsr., 3rd grade.

April 11.—No. 845.—Capt. H. C. Menzies, asst. comsr., Oomraotee district, has priv. leave for 3 mo., from the date of making over charge of his office.

April 13.—No. 860.—Lieut. col. W. F. Eden, appointed in G.O. No. 812, dated 7th inst., to be agent to the Gov. Gen. for the States of Rajpootana, received charge of the agency from Lieut. A. N. Bruce on the 3rd idem.

April 7.—No. 131.—The following proms. and changes are made, with effect from April 1, in accordance with public works dept. standing order No. 13:—

Special asst. engr., to be exec. engr., 4th grade.

Capt. W. H. Burton, R.E., Hyderabad.

Capt. D. J. P. Campbell, M.S.C., Mysore.

Maj. T. J. H. Keyes, M.I., Central Provinces.

Proby. asst. engr., to be asst. engr., 2nd grade.

Lieut. W. G. Cumming, R.E., British Burmah.

Fort St. George, May 5.—No. 173.—The following extract from general orders by the Govt. of Bombay is republished:—

Bombay Castle, April 25.—No. 240.—Lieut. W. C. Ellis, H.M.'s 32nd regt. M.N.I., has furlough to Europe for 18 mo. on m.c.

VERNAACULAR EXAMINATION.

Statement showing the names of the jun. civil servants who have passed the examination held April 10.

Tamil.

Mr. R. Rice; date of arrival Dec. 28—from April 10.

Mr. T. V. D. Hardinge; date of arrival Oct. 25—from April 10.

Mr. D. Buick; date of arrival Oct. 25—from April 10.

Mr. C. J. Knox; date of arrival Feb. 28—from April 10.

Telugu.

Mr. W. A. Happell; date of arrival Nov. 25—from April 10.

Mr. H. W. Wellesley; date of arrival Nov. 20—from April 10.

Mr. L. R. Burrows; date of arrival Nov. 7—from April 10.

Mr. E. N. Overbury; date of arrival Nov. 25—from April 10.

Mr. F. E. Hall; date of arrival Nov. 7—from April 10.

Mr. N. A. Roupell, jun. civil servant in Telugu, that prescribed for the maj.—Reward of Rs. 1,600—from April 10.

Mr. H. Wigram, junior civil servant in Malayalam, that prescribed for the minor reward of 800 rupees, from April 27.

Mr. C. A. Galton, junior civil servant, in Canarese, that prescribed for the minor reward of 800 rupees, from April 27.

Mr. C. J. Crosthwaite, junior civil servant, in Canarese, that prescribed for the minor reward of 800 rupees, from April 27.

Mr. G. D. Irvine, junior civil servant, in Canarese, that prescribed for the minor reward of 800 rupees, from April 27.

Capt. F. M. Raynsford, staff corps, doing duty sappers and miners, has obtained a certificate of qualification in mil'y. engineering.

MOVEMENTS OF REGIMENTS.

One batty. 5th brig. from England to Mount; one batty. 5th brig. from England to Penang; one batty. 5th brig. from England to Rangoon; No. 1 batty. 17th brig. from Mount to England; No. 2 batty. 17th brig. from Penang to England; No. 3 batty. 17th brig. from Kamptee to England; No. 1 batty. 20th brig. from Rangoon to Kamptee.

Postings.—With reference to G.O.G. No. 89, dated March 3, Major gen. J. R. Smyth, C.B., having reported his arrival at Madras on the 7th inst., is posted to the centre div.

Staff Corps.—The underment. having applied for admission to the staff corps is admitted thereto:—Lieut. N. D. Robertson, 19th N.I.

BOMBAY.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Bombay Castle, May 11.—No. 280.—Lieut. col. H. Wallace, asst. adjt. gen. R.A., is allowed a furl. to Europe for 20 mo., on m.c., with permission to proceed *via* Egypt.

May 12.—No. 281.—The services of Asst. surg. A. N. E. Riddell are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India.

May 15.—No. 282.—Lieut. Ashe, 8th regt. N.I., held the appointment of cantonment mag., Nee-much, from Sept. 14 to Sept. 28 last.

No. 284.—The following officer having applied for admission to the staff corps, under the provisions of para. 7 of G.O.G.I., No. 531, dated June 27, 1864, is appointed to the Bombay staff corps, from the date specified opposite his name, subject to the approval of H.M.'s Secy. of State for India:—

Lieut. (brev. capt.) O. V. Tanner, 18th regt. N.I., asst. superint. of police, Sholapoor, March 13.

May 12.—No. 9.—The following temp. arrangements and appointments are confirmed:—

Commander Robinson, marine storekeeper, to the charge of the Govt. Observatory, in addition to his own duties, from the 22nd inst., the date of departure of Lieut. Searle to Europe.

Lieut. Morland, asst. dock master, to act as dock master; and Lieut. Arnott to act as asst. dock master and agent for transports from 22nd inst., the date of departure of Lieut. Searle to Europe.

May 17.—Lieut. H. B. Abbott, of H.M.'s 109th regt., has been appointed to act as 3rd asst. to the Political Resident at Aden, during the absence of Lieut. W. F. Prideaux, on special duty.

May 16.—Mr. A. R. Grant is appointed to act as judge and session judge of Ahmedabad, v. Mr. E. P. Down.

Mr. W. Sandwith is appointed to act as senior asst. judge of Surat for the detached station of Broach till Mr. A. L. Spens returns from leave.

Mr. G. M. Macpherson is appointed asst. judge and session judge of Ahmedabad.

Maj. J. H. Henderson received charge of the office of comr. of police, Bombay, from Mr. F. H. Souter, on the 12th inst.

Mr. H. S. Carter is appd. coroner of Bombay from the date of Mr. R. B. Barton giving over charge till the arrival of Dr. Hewlett.

Mr. E. Hingley, chief clerk to the sen. mag. of police and clerk to the Court of Petty Sessions, is allowed leave of abs. for 1 yr., to proc. to Eur., on m.c.

The priv. leave of abs. for 1 mo. granted to Mr. E. Hingley, under date the 2nd inst., is can. at his request.

Mr. J. F. Lester is appd. to act as 'chief clerk to the sen. mag. of police and clerk to the Court of Petty Sessions during the abs. of Mr. E. Hingley on m.c.

May 17.—Major J. F. Lester assumed charge on the 15th inst. of his duties as acting judge of the Court of Small Causes at Ahmednuggur.

Mr. F. L. Brown held the office of 2nd mag. of police, Bombay, from March 26 to April 7, both days inclusive.

May 11.—Mr. W. A. Goldfinch, revenue and police comr., Southern div., is allowed leave of abs., on m.c., for 15 mo., to proceed to England under the new C.S. furl. and absentee rules.

Mr. A. E. D. Grey to be coll. and mag. of Belgaum, v. Mr. W. A. Goldfinch.

Mr. G. Blackwell to be insp. for Belgaum and Dharwar under the Cotton Frauds Act No. IX. of 1863.

May 12.—Mr. E. P. Down to act as coll. and mag. of Tanna during the abs. of Mr. S. St. J. Gordon on special duty.

May 13.—Mr. A. K. Nairne is appd. acting 2nd asst. coll. and mag. of Rutnagherry from the 10th ult. to the date of Mr. Bosanquet's delivering over charge to him of the office of 1st asst. coll. and mag. of Rutnagherry.

Mr. H. J. Stokes, of the Madras C.S., is placed under the coll. of Dharwar, for the purpose of studying the Canarese language.

May 17.—H.E. the Gov. in Council is pleased to make the following appts.:

Mr. J. A. G. Duff to act as coll. and mag. of Poona, during the abs. of Mr. J. R. Morgan.

Mr. C. R. Ovens to act as sub coll. and joint mag. of Sholapoor, v. Mr. J. A. G. Duff.

Mr. C. J. Davies to be 1st asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kaira.

Mr. W. H. Probert to be extra 1st asst. to the coll. and mag. of Kaira for the Panch Mahals.

Mr. C. M. Hogg to be 1st asst. to the coll. and mag. of Surat, v. Mr. C. J. Davies.

Mr. A. K. Nairne to be 1st asst. to the coll. and mag. of Rutnagherry.

Mr. J. King to be 2nd asst. to the coll. and magis. of Surat, and to act as 1st asst. to the coll. and magis. of Tanna during the absence of Mr. A. R. Macdonald.

Mr. W. M. Salmon to act as 1st asst. to the coll. and magis. of Poona, v. Mr. C. R. Ovens.

Mr. G. Waddington to act as extra 1st asst. coll. and magis. of Ahmednuggur, v. Mr. W. M. Salmon.

May 12.—H.E. the G. in C. is pleased to appoint Mr. S. St. J. Gordon as comr. for the revision of civil subord. estabs.

May 13.—The notice of the 10th inst., relative to the resumption by the Hon. H. L. Anderson of his duties of chief secy. to Govt. and secy. to Govt. in the political, secret, educational, judicial, and Persian depts., is cancelled, and he has been allowed priv. leave from the 23rd ult. to the 13th inst., under sec. 6, chap. II. of the new civil Service and absentee rules.

May 16.—Mr. F. Chapman has been confirmed in the appt. of chief secy. to Govt. from the 14th inst.

Mr. C. Gonne has been confirmed in the appt. of secy. to Govt. in the political, secret, judicial, educational, and Persian depts. from the 14th inst.

May 17.—The services of Asst. surg. A. N. E. Riddell are placed at the disposal of the Govt. of India for employment in the C.P.

The Hon. H. L. Anderson, chief secy. to Govt., and secy. to Govt. in the political, secret, educational, judicial, and Persian depts., resumed charge of his duties on the 13th inst.

Surg. M. M. Mackenzie, acting civil surg., Ahmednuggur, received charge of the civil jail and police hospitals and registrarship of marriages on the 10th inst.

Mr. C. Peile, acting administrator gen., Bombay, assumed charge of his duties on the 13th inst.

May 12.—The following appts. and changes are made in the engineering branch, public works department:—

Mr. R. Woodhouse, C.E., to be exec. engr., Rutnagherry districts.

Lieut. Mant, R.E., to be exec. engr., Surat and Broach.

Lieut. K. Jopp, R.E., to be exec. engr., Deesa and Aboo.

May 17.—Capt. J. G. T. Griffith assumed charge of the duties of exec. engr., Belgaum and Kolapoor, from Capt. Merriman on May 1.

Mr. E. P. Steevenson, 1st asst. in the Central School at Bombay, is apptd. to act as head master of the Ahmedabad High School, and as principal of the Ahmedabad College.

Mr. Theodore Cooke, B.A., C.E., has been apptd. principal of the Engineering College at Poona.

May 15.—The 6 weeks' leave granted to the Rev. G. L. Fenton by notification dated April 5 is can.

May 17.—The Rev. J. D. Gibson, Bombay ecclesiastical establishment, has been permitted by the Sec. of State for India to retire from the service from Jan. 29 last.

BY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

May 10.—No. 454.—Leave of absence:—

Capt. C. P. Stokes, 4th foot, from date of embarkation, to England, by the Overland route, on m.c.

Capt. E. A. Law, 103rd foot, from date of embarkation, to England, by the Overland route, on m.c.

These officers are not available for duty with troops, and will, on arrival, report themselves to the Adjt. Gen., Horse Guards.

Lieut. col. A. C. Hawkins, 14th brig. R.A., 15 mo. from date of embarkation, to England.

Lieut. G. Gabbett, 95th foot, from Aug. 7, to Nov. 7, in ext.

E Brigade Royal Horse Art.—Lieut. col. H. Wallace, asst. adjt. gen. R.A., from May 1 to May 31, to proc. to Bombay on m.c., prep. to a final certificate to Eur.

Gen. List, att. to 28th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. J. J. Fraser, May 1 to May 31, to proc. to Bombay on m.c.

Subord. Med. Estab.—Steward J. M. de Souza, from May 4 to May 31, to Bombay on m.c.

May 11.—No. 456.—The following appts. are made:—

Capt. H. S. Anderson, staff corps, to be a brig. maj. on the estab., and is appd. to the Poona brig., v. Gordon.

Capt. D. H. Hickman, staff corps, to act as brig. maj. at Aden.

Capt. A. N. Wilson, 1st batln. 4th foot, to act as brig. maj., Bombay garrison, during the absence of Maj. Bacon, or until further orders.

16th Regiment N.I.

Lieut. F. H. Jackson, gen. list, to be doing duty officer, v. Paul.

Capt. Anderson and Hickman will join their appts. as early as possible, under the provisions of para. 384 page 138 1st appendix Jameson's code.

No. 457.—The following temp. arrangement is confirmed:—

1st Regt. Sind Horse.—Capt. A. T. Reid to offic. as 2nd in command, and Lieut. Carpendale as 2nd squadron officer, during the absence of Capt. Gordon on leave.

No. 458.—Lieut. C. V. Hassall, H.M.'s 89th foot, is permitted to precede his regt. to England by the overland route.

No. 459.—Sergt. J. Bone, sappers and miners, employed in the public works dept., is transf. to the unatt. list, under the provisions of G.O.G. No. 439.

May 12.—No. 462.—The following arrangements are confirmed, with effect from April 13:—

2nd Regiment Sind Horse.

Lieut. C. H. Harrison to offic. as 2nd in com., and Lieut. W. Reynolds as 2nd squadron officer, during such time as Maj. Dick may command.

Lieut. R. Malden to offic. as adjt., v. Harrison.

No. 463.—Asst. surg. R. C. Thorp, medical establishment, is appd. to the medical charge of the 12th regt. N.I.

No. 464.—The underment. officer returned to duty by permission of the Secretary of State for India, May 3:—Lieut. S. M. Hay, cadre 31st regt. N.I.

May 13.—No. 465.—H.E. the C. in C. in India is pleased to make the following appt. until H.M.'s pleasure shall be known:—

4th Foot.—Lieut. K. Browne, from 21st foot, to be lieut., v. Rennick, who exchanges; May 1.

No. 466.—The underment. officer returned to duty, by permission of the Sec. of State for India, on May 11:—

Asst. surg. A. R. Alleyne, medical establishment.

No. 467.—Leave of absence:—

Lieut. G. A. Jacob, army educational dept., staff corps, from May 23 to June 1, in extension.

Ensign G. F. Horton, 56th foot, for 4 mo., or until his retirement from the service.

Surg. maj. W. L. Cameron, royal horse artillery, from May 6 to May 31, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final certificate to Europe.

Lieut. A. T. Wallace, royal horse artillery, from May 6 to May 31, to Bombay, on m.c., prep. to obtaining a final certificate to Europe.

May 15.—No. 468.—The following appts. are made:—

2nd Regt. Sind Horse.—Lieut. R. V. Malden is confirmed as adjt., v. Harrison.

3rd Regt. Sind Horse.—Lieut. W. Reynolds to be 3rd squadron officer, v. Malden.

17th Regt. N.I.—Lieut. W. A. Salmon to offic. as adjt., and Lieut. R. W. W. Greenlaw as qmrr., v. Smith.

30th Regt. N.I.—Capt. T. Bell is confirmed as 2nd in com., v. Barnes, dec.

No. 469.—Lieut. F. W. Major, 21st brig. royal arty. was attached to the depot brig. for duty, by direction of H.R.H. the Field Marshal C. in C., from Jan. 26, 1863, to July 27, 1863, on which date he embarked for India with troops.

No. 470.—The following postings of med. officers will take place:—

Asst. surg. G. C. Bell to 22nd regt. N.I. (This cancels that officer's appt. to the 9th regt. N.I.)

Asst. surg. D. Simpson to the 20th regt. N.I., v. Thorp.

Asst. surg. E. Sexton to the 9th regt. N.I., v. Bell.

May 16.—No. 475.—Capt. J. Smythe, 33rd foot, is apptd. to the com. of the Colaba Sanitarium, v. Wilson.

No. 476.—Lieut. S. M. Hay, cadre 31st regt. N.I., is attached to the 14th regt. N.I.

No. 477.—Ensign J. E. M. Sperrin, 95th foot, is apptd. instructor of musketry to the regt., v. Lieut. Andros, with effect from Feb. 14.

No. 478.—The following order by H.E. the C. in C. in India, dated Simla, April 27, is republished.

The following order is confirmed:—

By the maj. gen. commanding the forces, Bombay, dated 24th ult., app. Lieut. T. T. Irvine, of the 44th foot, A.D.C. to Brig. gen. C. W. D. Staveley, c.n.

May 17.—No. 480.—Lieut. col. C. B. Fuller, R.A., is app. to act as asst. adj. gen. of art., v. Wallace, proceeded on m.c. to Europe.

BIRTHS.

AIGLES.—At Huttowry Factory, May 8, the wife of C. V. Aigles, of a daughter.

BAIRD.—At Bombay, May 16, the wife Mr. J. P. Baird, of a daughter.

COTTON.—At Raman Droog, April 28, the wife of H. C. Cotton, Esq., C.E., of a son.

CODRINGTON.—At Jacobabad, May 3, the wife of Lieut. G. H. P. Codrington, Adjutant 3rd Regiment Sind Horse, of a son.

CHAPMAN.—At Malligaum, May 13, the wife of Captain J. F. Chapman, Staff Corps, of a son.

FLETCHER.—At Kotree, May 11, the wife of Mr. F. Fletcher, of a daughter.

HUME.—At Dum-Dum, April 29, the widow of Captain B. J. Hume, late of H.M.'s 80th Regiment, of a daughter.

HUNTER.—At Dharwar, May 13, the wife of R. W. Hunter, Esq., Bombay Civil Service, of a son.

JAMES.—At Calcutta, May 12, the wife of Major T. James, H.M.'s Bengal Staff Corps, of a daughter.

MULLER.—At Malabar-hill, May 16, the wife of Mr. H. Muller, of a daughter.

NICOLAS.—At Calcutta, May 13, the wife of P. J. Nicolas, Esq., of a son.

NEWTON.—At Kurnaul, May 15, the wife of Dr. Newton, Civil Surgeon, of a daughter.

OAKES.—At Palamcottah, April 29, the wife of Lieut. G. H. Oakes, of a son.

OESTERLEY.—At Calcutta, May 13, Mrs. E. Oesterley, of a daughter.

PENBERTON.—At Agra, May 9, the wife of George P. Pemberton, Esq., M.D., of a son.

PORTMAN.—At Baroda, May 10, the wife of Augustus Berkeley Portman, Lieut. R.A., of a daughter.

PLATTS.—At Upper Colaba, May 14, the wife of H. T. Platts, Commander ship *Krishna*, of a daughter.

SANDERSON.—At Hingolie, Deccan, May 7, the wife of Dr. Alfred Sanderson, 1st Regiment Cavalry Hyderabad Contingent, of a son.

THESIGER.—At Mhow, May 11, the Hon. Mrs. Charles Thesiger, of a daughter.

WOOD.—At Hurdui, May 6, the wife of Mr. Oswald Wood, of a son.

WHITING.—At Subathoo, May 11, the wife of Major R. C. Whiting, of a son.

WADDINGTON.—At Mahableswur, May 13, the wife of J. Waddington, Esq., Bombay Civil Service, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BOLST.—GEORGE.—At St. Thomas' Church, Hissar, on the 13th May, Mr. Herbert J. Bolst, to Miss Emily Caroline George.

BROWNE.—MULLEN.—At Bombay, May 11, Capt. Charles William Browne, his Highness the Guicowar's Service, Baroda, to Catherine Mullen.

BLEEZE.—KERR.—At Christ Church, Byculla, May 10, Mr. W. J. Gordon Bleeze, to Miss Frances Elizabeth Kerr.

ELLIS.—BRISTON.—At Serampore, on the 10th May, Walter, youngest son of the late T. F. Ellis, Esq., F.R.S., Recorder of Leeds, to Alice, adopted daughter of Captain John Samuel Briston, Invalid Establishment, late 71st B.N.I.

HAMILTON.—RUNDALL.—At Razok, Godavery district, on 27th April, Arthur F. Hamilton, Esq., Lieut. Royal Engineers (Madras), to Laura Augusta, second daughter of the late J. Rundall, Esq.

KEMBLE.—HINDE.—At Cherrapoonjee, May 4, William Kemble, Esq., B.C.S., to Elizabeth Emma, daughter of the Rev. F. Hinde, Chaplain of Sylhet and Cherrapoonjee.

KING.—POTTER.—May 10, at Christ Church, Byculla, Mr. Charles Joshua King, Customs Preventive Officer, to Miss Harriett Potter, eldest daughter of the late Mr. D. A. Potter, of the Secretariat.

LOVELACE.—JENKINS.—At St. James's, Paddington, March 29, the Right Hon. William, Earl of Lovelace, to Jane Crawford, widow of the late Edward Jenkins, Esq., of the Bengal Civil Service.

MADDEN.—WOLFERSTAN.—At Bangalore, May 11, Lieutenant John Mellish Madden, 5th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry, to Minnie, eldest daughter of the late James Wolferstan, Esq., of Ford Park, Plymouth, Devon.

PEACHEY.—LOBB.—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, May 6, Thomas Peachey, Esq., to Ellen, second daughter of Ellis Goode Lobb, Esq., of London.

RUSSELL.—CRAWFORD.—At Christ Church, Morar, Gwalior, May 15, William Albert Russell, Esq., Royal Artillery, to Martha, second daughter of John Crawford, Esq., of Londonderry, Ireland.

REYNALDS.—GRIFFIN.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Colaba, May 18, John Reynolds, M.D., to Ada Augusta, only daughter of Edward Griffin, Esq., of Westbury-on-Trym, Gloucestershire.

RICHMOND.—BILLINGTON.—At the Cathedral, Bombay, May 12, James Richmond, Esq., Inspector of Permanent Way and Works, G.I.P. Railway, to Miss Fanny Elizabeth, third daughter of Mr. George Billington, of Aylesbury, Bucks.

STRAHAN.—GORDEN.—At St. Thomas's Church, Deyrah Doon, May 9, George Strahan, Royal Engineers, to Amy H., youngest daughter of the late Capt. Charles Gordon, 1st Ben. Fus.

SWARIES.—BLACKFORD.—At Calcutta, April 21, at the Old Church, Mr. Peter Swaries, jun., to Miss Sarah Mary Blackford.

SHANKS.—WEST.—At St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, May 26, Arthur Shanks, Esq., Resident Engineer, Calcutta and S.E. Railway, to Miss Harriette Marie West.

WILLIAMSON.—MIDDLETON.—May 1, at St. Thomas's Church, Middleton-row, Calcutta, and afterwards at St. Paul's Cathedral, Joseph Williamson, Esq., of Serajgunge, to Amelia Mary Augusta, second daughter of the late Captain John Forbes Middleton, invalid establishment, Dacca.

DEATHS.

APPLETON.—Near Budnaira, Berar, May 8, Mr. J. T. Appleton, Exchange Broker.

BEATSON.—At Chowringhee, Calcutta, May 7, the wife of W. B. Beatson, M.D., Surgeon of H.M.'s Bengal Medical Service.

BOUCHEZ.—At Yanaon, April 20, Mr. Paul Bouchez, Bruce.—At Cuttack, April 23, Caroline H. Cathcart, the infant daughter of Lieut. E. A. Bruce, Madras Staff Corps, Qmrr. and Interpreter 37th Grenadiers, aged 4 months and 28 days.

BIRKS.—At Madras, April 28, the wife of William Birks, Esq.

CRAWFURD.—At Bangalore, April 28, Selina Mary, the wife of H. P. Ralston Crawford, Esq.

COGSWELL.—At Hazareebaugh, May 9, of fever, after a short illness, Edwin Cogswell, Esq., aged 27.

DELMEGE.—At Dinapore, on the 20th March, J. P. De G. Delmege, staff asst. surg., aged 24 years.

EDWARDS.—At Mussoorie, on the 7th May, of small-pox, Laura Grace, the wife of Major S. H. H. Edwards, H.M.'s 98th regt.

HARTIGAN.—At Calcutta, on May 5, of cholera, Annie Catherine, aged 5, the daughter of Henry and Catherine Hartigan.

HUTCHINSON.—At sea, on board the *St. Lawrence*, on Feb. 3, J. E. Elliott, the child of Dr. J. A. C. Hutchinson, H.M.'s Indian med. service, aged 18 mo.

KEAYS.—At Kurrachee, on May 7, Emily Louisa, the wife of Capt. Keays, Acting Assistant-Commissionary general.

KERRY.—At Lutchmepore Factory, Purneah, on April 27, William Henry Kerry, Esq., indigo planter, aged 67 years.

McKILLIGIN.—At Calcutta, on April 28, James Pelham McKilligin, Esq., aged 63 years.

OSBORNE.—At Surat, on May 10, Elizabeth, wife of Capt. Osborne, Paymaster of Pensioners.

POURCAIN.—At Chandernagore, on April 22, of brain fever, Pierre Charles Joseph Daumain St. Pourcain, the son of P. C. D. St. Pourcain, aged 21 months, and deeply regretted by his parents.

SHOWELL.—At Colaba, on May 7, Mr. H. S. Showell, Assistant Commissioner of Customs, aged 43 years.

THOMAS.—At Bombay, on May 11, the beloved child of Mr. Edward Thomas, aged 1 year and 6 months.

THOMPSON.—At No. 2, Garden Reach, Calcutta, on May 6, Elizabeth, the wife of John Thompson, Esq., aged 44 years.

WHEELER.—At Chetoura, near Agra, on May 8, Major-general S. G. Wheeler.

WILCOX.—At Almorah, on May 8, Alice Ellen, the child of Capt. Wilcox, aged 1½ years.

WAR OFFICE.

CHANGES, PROMOTIONS, &c., IN H.M.'S REGIMENTS SERVING IN INDIA. June 9.

7th Foot.—E. R. B. Stuart, gent., to be ensign, by purch., v. V. J. A. Browne, who retires, June 9.

16th Foot.—Staff asst. surg. W. Keir, M.D., to be asst. surg., v. R. W. Saunders, M.D., who resigns, June 9.

31st Foot.—Lieut. D. D. Chadwick, from half-pay, of the late 5th West India regt., to be lieut., v. W. E. Tibbetts, who retires upon half-pay, June 9.

35th Foot.—The surname of the qmrr. who retired upon half-pay, with the honorary rank of capt., is McLaughlin, and not McLoughlin, as gazetted on April 11.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

To be Staff Asst. Surgeons.—Asst. surg. J. N. Davis, from 44th foot, v. W. Carpenter; Asst. surg. R. W. Troup, M.B., from 54th foot, v. W. H. Jameson; Asst. surg. J. R. Greenhill, from 72nd foot, v. L. Corban, M.D.

June 13.

Royal Artillery.—Lieut. col. and brevet col. C. J. B. Riddell, c.b., to be col., v. H. A. Turner, retired upon full pay; Capt. and brev. lieut. col. G. Rotton to be lieut. col., v. Brev. col. Riddell; Capt. H. Bent, from the supernum. list, to be capt., v. Brev. lieut. col. Rotton, May 19. Capt. S. Freeling, on the supernum. list, has been permitted to resign his commission, June 13. Lieut. S. P. Lynes to be 2nd capt., v. L. H. H. Parsons, placed upon temp. half-pay, May 10.

Royal Engineers.—Lieut. col. W. Kendall to be col., v. Rivers, who retires upon full pay; Capt. J. B. G. Close to be lieut. col., v. Kendall; 2nd capt. C. W. Finch to be capt., v. Close; Lieut. E. P. Gambler to be 2nd capt., v. Finch, April 14. Gentleman cadet M. Greer, from the Royal Military Academy, to be lieut. with temp. rank, v. Gambier, June 13.

BREVET.

Col. H. Rivers, retired full pay, royal engrs., to be maj. gen., the rank being honorary only, April 14. Col. H. A. Turner, retired full pay, royal art. to be maj. gen., the rank being honorary only, May 12.

MESSRS. DIROM, DAVIDSON, AND CO.—At a meeting of the creditors of this firm, who suspended at Liverpool, in the East India trade on the 25th ult., with uncovered liabilities to the amount of £140,000, a composition of 10s. in the pound was accepted.

To Correspondents.

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ALLEN'S INDIAN MAIL,

FRIDAY, June 16, 1865.

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S POLICY IN OUDE.

As we anticipated, the talookdars of Oude are not satisfied with the Government explanation in reference to the alleged invasion of proprietary rights; and the general opinion seems to be that the action of the local authorities is inadequate to carry out the intentions of the Indian Secretary, as declared in his despatch upon the subject.

The communication made by the Governor-general, through the Chief Commissioner of Oude, after reminding the talookdars that they had themselves recognised the condition of the *sunnuds* that "all holding under you shall be secured in the possession of all the subordinate rights they formerly enjoyed," declares as follows:—

"The only foundation upon which rights of occupancy rest is their previous existence at the time of annexation. But there has been difference of opinion among officials whether they did exist then or not. To remove all doubts on this point is the object of the present inquiry. If the results should be to establish the existence of such rights, they must, of course, be maintained, as you yourselves allow. If, on the other hand, it should be proved that they did not exist at the annexation, no new rights will be created."

After enjoining those concerned to wait patiently the result of the inquiry, the Chief Commissioner concludes:—

"You are aware that the policy of Lord Canning was to maintain in Oude a class of superior landholders in an influential position. For this reason he also invested many of you with judicial and revenue powers. This policy had the full approval of the Home Government. It will be steadily pursued in its spirit and letter by the Governor-general, and the conditions of the *sunnuds* will be scrupulously maintained."

This assurance would doubtless have been satisfactory had the inquiry been confined to the question of the existence of previous rights of occupancy not at present maintained; but, unfortunately, the investigation had a far wider range, as is abundantly shown by a document which seems to have been among those withheld from the Indian Secretary, since it does not appear in the Blue-book. We allude to a despatch, written by order of the Governor-general, from Colonel Durnford, C.B., Secretary to the Government of India in the Foreign Department, and

addressed to R. H. Davies, Esq., Finance Commissioner for Oude, informing him of his appointment to that re-constituted office, and conveying to him instructions concerning the tenure of land in that province. The most important portions of that document are the following:—

"3. His Excellency views with much displeasure the system which has sprung up in Oude since the mutinies, of conferring upon Talookdars the sole proprietary rights in lands to the exclusion of all tenants' rights, thus placing the sole power in the hands of an aristocracy who, until very recently, were our open and avowed enemies.

"4. This system, I am desired to remark, is founded upon a mistaken policy. While his Excellency is willing to concede to the aristocracy of Oude all the privileges to which they are by hereditary right entitled, he cannot consent to place in their hands irresponsible power, thereby subjecting tenants to an evil nowhere else existing in India.

"5. A total revision of the *sunnud*, therefore, becomes necessary."

The document from which the above paragraphs have been extracted is dated September 16, 1864, at which time the proposed measure was before the Council of the Governor-general, and had most certainly not been agreed upon, for we find Sir John Lawrence making a rejoinder to objections raised by Mr. Grey, on September 27; and Sir Hugh Rose's minute, also condemnatory of the policy, is dated so late as October 17.

That the announcement of such a course of action would be calculated to alarm the talookdars, who can doubt? It is true that no such direct intimation was made, but the intentions of the Governor-general seem to have been well understood, and the measures adopted to carry out the investigation were such as to justify every apprehension. The standing "Directions to Settlement Officers in the North-West Provinces" were given as a guide for the revision of the settlement in Oude, and in the minutes of the Members of Council on the subject the change is formally referred to as the introduction of the "Thomason System" into that province. With regard to the machinery employed towards the object, we need not go farther than Sir Charles Wood's despatch, in which, resuming the information supplied to him, our Indian Secretary says that the Financial Commission, by direction of the Government of India, directed the settlement officers to select knots of twenty-five villages in each district under settlement, and to proceed to each village for the purpose of judicially deciding on any claims that might be preferred by the ryots to a permanent beneficial interest superior to that of tenants at will, an officer having preceded him in order to prepare a list of such claimants; and the settlement officer, having decided judicially each of these claims, was to form at once the permanent record. Such a mode of proceeding was very properly deprecated by Sir Charles Wood, who says:—

"This measure appears to me to carry with it the assumption that this class of tenants, with perma-

nent rights, does exist, notwithstanding the denial of the talookdars, supported by the Chief Commissioner, and may have a tendency to encourage persons to advance claims which they might not otherwise have brought forward. Before adopting this step I think that the preliminary question of the existence of the class of tenants should have formed the subject of investigation, and that the further measure of judicially deciding on each claim, and forming a record for each village, should not have been taken unless the result of that investigation had established the existence of such rights."

Without, however, absolutely stopping the course of action, Sir Charles contents himself with the addition:—

"If the enquiries have not been already carried on to a great extent, and the question as to the disputed fact of the existence of the alleged rights of the ryots generally has not been already satisfactorily solved, I think it would be better to suspend the proceedings for recording rights, in order that they may be preceded by an enquiry of the general character to which I have above referred."

How far the suggestions of the Secretary for India have been practically carried out does not appear; but it is evident that unless there has been a suspension of the investigation as hitherto conducted, the mere explanation of policy can have no effect; and as yet we see no notice of a substantial change. The only favourable sign in the matter seems to be that, notwithstanding the elaborate measures taken to induce complaints, very few have been made—no more, in fact, than would occur in the process of a settlement under any circumstances. It may be, therefore, that the Talookdars and their friends will be quieted, and the agitation die away. But the action of the Governor-general has certainly not been calculated to induce confidence in the sincerity of the Government, whose determination to support Lord Canning's policy will require practical proof before it can hope to obtain acceptance. Of Sir John Lawrence's character as a statesman and administrator we would now, as always, speak with the greatest respect; but, without entering into the merits of the village system as opposed to the proprietary, it must be said that the introduction of the former into Oudh would be unjustifiable, as opposed to the rights of the Talookdars—confirmed and re-conferred by the British Government.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE INDIAN ARMY.—SECOND SERIES.
No. II.

TO THE EDITOR OF "ALLEN'S INDIAN MAIL."

SIR,—The sepoy war and rebellion led to the transfer of the Government of India from the East India Company to the Crown. An able writer in the *Edinburgh Review*, in an article in April, 1863, entitled "India under Lord Canning," has given a very full account of the commencement and progress of the mutiny in Bengal from Calcutta throughout the whole army, and makes the following just remarks on the subject of the transfer:—"Of all the changes which resulted from the mutiny, the least important in itself was that on which all eyes for a time were fixed. The Government of the Company had broken

down. There never was purer nonsense. The Government of India was not the Government of the Company, and it had not broken down. But the delusion under which a mere legal fiction was spoken of as if it were a reality showed that it was high time that the fiction should be done away. Whatever errors had been committed in the Government of India had been the errors of the Crown—of its responsible Ministers in England or in India. The Company, as a governing body, had been dead for more than seventy years. It had been dead, but not buried. Its skin had been preserved and set up as if it were still alive. In its name all acts were still done in India; in its voice all orders were still sent out from home. Its real condition was notorious, yet habitually forgotten; published in repeated Acts of Parliament; confessed and explained by Ministers of State, yet constantly spoken of as if all these enactments were unknown—as if all these confessions were disbelieved.

“But the truth is that this fiction of the ‘Company’ had become a nuisance from the inveterate misconceptions to which it had given rise. Its mischief was far greater in England than in India. It was a serious obstacle to the right understanding of all Indian questions; it weakened the authority of the Government in India; it made the Crown, and the Parliament, and the people, forget their own responsibility, and induced them to cast wrongfully upon others blame which, if it attached to any one, attached to themselves, either directly or through those who represented their authority and wielded their power.

“There was nothing of any force to be said against the abandonment of a fiction so mischievous in its effects. It was not requisite to abolish any thing which had been of the slightest value.” “In respect to the distribution of power between the minister (President of the Board of Control) and his council, no change was required. The Court (of Directors) had been, and the Council were still to be, his advisers merely.” The old servants of the Company, who formed so large a part of the Court of Directors, were the only class in which the knowledge and experience could be found; and it is a just tribute to the noble qualities for government which have flourished in our civil and military services of the East that Parliament has indicated those services as the principal source from which the Indian councillors of the Crown shall continue to be drawn. “As regards the administration of affairs in India, no change whatever of principle was required.”

There is indubitably much truth in this, but how does the case stand now the government of India is in the hands of the Crown and the Parliament? Previous to the transfer the Court of Directors, being the originators of all measures to be carried out, became so far responsible for them *primâ facie*, and, as it has been justly observed, they were the only class in which the knowledge and experience could be found. The amalgamation of the two authorities supplied an advantage which was wanting in the constitution of the Court of Directors—that of forming committees out of that

body for the several departments of a great Government, with which the members were peculiarly qualified. This requires some explanation. The separation of the officers of the Court of Directors in the east end of the town from that of the Board of Control in the other rendered it inconvenient for the whole body of the Court, consisting of twenty-four individuals, to wait on the President of the Board; accordingly, all the business of the Government was conducted through the Chairman of the directors and his deputy, who, during their temporary term of office, were the organs of the Court. Now, it might be supposed that the business of each department was carried on by the several Committees of Departments. But it was not so. The head clerks of departments managed their work without the intervention of the Committees, and were in fact the irresponsible conductors of Indian affairs. For, as the chairman and deputy left office periodically, and were succeeded by other members of the Court, it became an object with the latter to pass from one committee to another to know something of the business of each. For although not consulted before, yet after the sanction of the Board of Control had been given through the chairs, the case was laid before the Committee for the first time, and until it was passed by them it could not be laid before the whole Court to authorise its despatch to India under its recommendation. The Court ordinarily met once a week to carry out the orders it received from the Board of Control. In this way the Members of the Court of Directors were the mere agents in turn of the several departments, and it frequently happened that the military committee was filled by civilians, that a judicial committee was filled by men who had never entered a court of justice, that the public works department was left to the discretion of ex-judges or soldiers, in order that each member of the thirty directors might have an opportunity of knowing something of each department, but without having any voice in the conduct of its business. As no such necessity exists in the present constitution of the Council of India, reduced to fifteen members, not removable, and selected originally by the Secretary of State for India out of officers who have served in India, it may be presumed that care is taken that each department should be conducted by gentlemen best acquainted with the duties of their office, and whom the Secretary of State may hold responsible for the advice they may be called upon to give. Hence, the Secretary of State for India has an advantage over all the other departments of the nation, by dealing direct with associates of lengthened experience. But, however wisely constituted is this department of the State, everything must depend on the use the head of that department makes of the knowledge with which the Constitution has supplied him. In the present Council I find therein for all ordinary civil duties, whether of Government or politics, an ex-governor of a presidency, and four ex-members of Council, having filled the highest offices in different parts of the country. For justice an ex-chief judge of H.M.'s Court of Bombay, an ex-attorney-general of Cal-

cutta, and a barrister of extensive practice in the Supreme Court. For the army an adjutant-general and a regimental officer of experience, as well as a statesman. For the public works there are two engineers of the highest reputation; and for commerce and finance I find a well-known London banker and a commercial gentleman of long standing in India, the greater number of whom were members of the late Court of Directors of the East India Company. The Government of a remote dependency so singularly situated as to its climate, and so remarkably distinguished by its numerous nations, religious prejudices, and institutions, required some such scheme for the supervision of its Government. I use the word supervision in preference to administration, because it is impossible to govern India in all its intricacies by any body of men in England, but more especially by any individual without having resided in the country and made himself master of the peculiarities of every part of it. Such is not the case of the present Secretary of State for India, nor is it ever likely to be so. It was, therefore, of the highest importance that the Secretary of State for India should defer to his Council in a matter of so grave importance as the reconstruction of an army composed as is that of the Native Army of India. It is broadly asserted, however, and believed that in this measure the Right Hon. Baronet acted in opposition, not only to the advice of the majority of his Council at home, but in defiance of the soundest opinions collected by the Governor-general and his Council in India, and he has consequently involved himself in a sea of trouble, out of which it is feared it will be difficult, if it be possible, for him to escape without having recourse to that most repugnant of all measures, retracing his steps and replacing the army of India on its former footing.

J. R.

Oriental Club, 8th June, 1865.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—JUNE 8.

THE ARREST OF OWEN MARSHALL.

The SERJEANT-AT-ARMS (Lord C. Russell), advancing within the bar, said: “I have to acquaint the House that Owen Marshall and Henry Whitehead, for whose apprehension warrants were issued on the 2nd of June, were apprehended on the same day, and are now in my custody. I have also to say that I have been unable to execute the warrant for the apprehension of George Morris Mitchell.”

Mr. HENNESSY rose to present a petition from Owen Marshall, and one of substantially the same character from Henry Whitehead, who were now in custody. The petitioner submitted that he had been placed in confinement; and that in consideration of his having been in entire ignorance of having pursued an unusual course, he trusted that honourable House would consider he had received sufficient punishment. He expressed his sincere contrition for his offence, and begged the House would grant his discharge.

The petition was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. HENNESSY said those two persons were unable to pay the fees of the House, and to require them to do so would only be to impose upon them a longer imprisonment. He moved that they now be discharged.

After a few words from Colonel W. PATTEN, Mr. C. FOSTER, and Sir W. FRAZER on the

nature of the privileges and power of the House.

Sir G. GREY said that these persons were agents. They were in the custody of the Serjeant-at-Arms. They had now been in custody nearly a week, and the House would only be acting with its usual consideration, under these circumstances, if it was to agree to the motion of the hon. gentleman. The amount of the fees was £10, and the persons were in a humble position of life.

The motion for the discharge of the prisoners was then agreed to.

THE MALTA AND ALEXANDRIA TELEGRAPH.

On a vote of £780 for the Malta and Alexandria telegraphs and for subsidies to telegraph companies,

Mr. F. PEEL, in reply to Mr. MARSH and Mr. MOOR, explained that the Malta and Alexandria telegraph, originally laid down by the Imperial and Indian Governments at a cost of £450,000, had been leased to Messrs. Glass and Elliott, and by them had been sublet to a telegraph maintenance company, the lease expiring in 1867. The conditions were that the gross profits should be divided between the Government and the lessees. The sum of £500 in the estimate was the share of the Imperial Government of the salary and expenses of a superintendent at Malta, whose duty it was to see that the contract was fairly carried out. Negotiations, however, were going on with the company to hand over the line to the company for forty years, on condition of 3½ per cent. of the capital being paid to her Majesty's Government, and the line being handed over to her Majesty's Government at the end of that time in good working order. If that arrangement was concluded it would not be necessary to have a superintendent any longer at Malta.

The vote was agreed to.

THE CAPTIVES IN ABYSSINIA.

Mr. H. SEYMOUR wished to know what steps had been taken by her Majesty's Government to obtain the release of Captain Cameron, the British consul, two missionaries, and several other Europeans, who had been held captive for more than a year by the King of Abyssinia. He believed that a gentleman had been sent from Aden into Abyssinia to endeavour to obtain their release, but he should like the hon. gentleman the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs to state whether he could not lay on the table some papers relating to the efforts made by the Foreign-office for the release of those gentlemen, or, if not, whether he could state the reason for the failure of those efforts, and what course her Majesty's Government now intended to pursue on this really important subject.

Mr. LAYARD, in reply, said, the question was no doubt of painful interest, and he was quite sure the committee felt that the Foreign Office had only one object in view, and that was to save the lives of the unfortunate gentlemen. Not only was her Majesty's consul, Captain Cameron, in confinement, but several missionaries. It had been a most difficult question to deal with, requiring the greatest possible prudence and circumspection. He would most willingly state to the House everything which had occurred, and the time might come when he should be able to show that nothing had been omitted to procure the release of these gentlemen; but he could assure hon. gentlemen conscientiously that any public statement might lead to most serious consequences. He had only recently received a letter from Mr. Rassam, the gentleman sent out by the Foreign Office, entreating and imploring him to stop the publication of any statement on the subjects, all of which were sent out to Abyssinia, translated and made the most of by those who were unfriendly to this country. He regretted very much that there were some gentlemen, he did not know who they were, who betrayed official secrets in a manner deserving the strong-

est condemnation. In a public print—the *Pall-Mall Gazette*—there had recently appeared extracts from letters received officially and sent through two or three public offices. He did not wish to place the slightest restriction on entire freedom of the press; but when persons in official positions were capable of betraying such trusts, it made him feel a most painful want of confidence. He hoped that journal, which he believed was most respectable, would not allow any more statements to be made which were most injurious, and might lead to serious results, even to the loss of life. Mr. Rassam, who had been selected to endeavour to obtain the release of the captives, was in communication with persons in Abyssinia. He was a gentleman in every way qualified by his knowledge and experience for the duty he had to perform, and her Majesty's Government hoped that his efforts would have a successful result. The papers relating to this matter were not printed. If they could be given without injury, her Majesty's Government would willingly lay them on the table; if, on the other hand, their publication might lead to the death of the gentlemen in captivity, it would be the duty of her Majesty's Government to refuse them. He should be guided entirely by that consideration. In the meantime he could assure the hon. gentleman who put the question that everything would be done to obtain the release of Captain Cameron and the other gentlemen who were prisoners with him.

SERVICES IN CHINA, JAPAN AND SIAM.

On a vote of £102,972 for the services in China, Japan and Siam,

Colonel SYKES drew attention to the disparity between the salary of £8,000 paid to the Minister at Peking, and that of £200 paid to the surgeon. He contended that the former was excessive, on the ground that as Europeans were not permitted to enter Peking, the ambassador there had not such extensive claims on his hospitality as the ambassadors had at European courts.

Mr. LAYARD admitted that the salary at Peking seemed high, and it had been intended to reduce it; but the fact was that as everything required, even for the ambassador's daily table, had to be brought up from the coast on the backs of animals the expense was very great.

The vote was agreed to.

TURKEY AND PERSIA.—BOUNDARY QUESTION.

Sir W. FRASER and Mr. AUGUSTUS SMITH asked for information as to the sums to be voted for the commissions for settling the boundary between Turkey and Persia.

Mr. LAYARD said that he shared the anxiety which was generally entertained, that the Boundary Commission should bring its labours to a close, and would do his best to expedite their termination.

Colonel SYKES complained of the length of time during which the Persian Boundary Commission had been in existence.

The vote for £19,000 to complete the sum of £25,000 to pay the expense of special missions, outfits of diplomatic officers, for conveyance of colonial officers, &c., was then agreed to.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—JUNE 9.

THE INDIAN MAILS.

On the vote of £841,867 for the Post-office packet service,

Mr. CRAWFORD asked whether the Government intended to take any steps to meet the wishes of the trade with respect to the despatch of the mails to India, Australia, and China. It was most inconvenient that mails should be despatched either on a Saturday or Monday, on which days very little business was done in the City. The merchants desired that, instead of despatching the mails on four fixed days of the month, a mail should be sent out on the Friday in each week. He understood that the Postmaster-general was in favour of

the change, if the public would consent to pay an increased charge upon letters in order to meet the additional expense of sending out a mail on each Friday. But he must say that he thought that to increase the postage of letters to the East would defeat the object of the change. He trusted that the Government would, without imposing an additional postage charge, accede to the wishes of the whole of the mercantile body engaged in the trade of the East. It must be remembered that it was not mercantile interests alone which were involved in the change which he advocated, for it was of great importance to keep up a rapid and convenient communication with Australia.

Mr. AYRTON concurred in the representations made by the member for the City (Mr. Crawford). He thought that the communication between England and India was so slow as to be discreditable to the Government. The English mail might be conveyed to Bombay in sixteen days. Unfortunately, none of the fast vessels of the present steam-ship building age were employed in the communication between Suez and Bombay. Vessels going fifteen or sixteen knots an hour were frequently heard of, but those that were engaged in carrying the Indian mails went only about nine miles an hour, and were about the slowest of any line of postal communication in the world. He hoped to have the pleasure to meet the Government in another Parliament, when he should renew the notice which he had been compelled to withdraw that night. When the Secretary of State for India was to be allowed to run an opposition line to that of the Peninsular and Oriental Company, which now showed much indisposition to perform the postal service, he could scarcely conceive what the state of things would be.

CONVEYANCE OF TROOPS TO INDIA.

Colonel SYKES explained that, out of the 70,000 soldiers in India, 7,000 were relieved every year, so that, with the wounded, there were always about 15,000 troops on the sea. By the expensive route round the Cape the reliefs sent out were liable to arrive at the unhealthy season, and it had, therefore, been resolved that the Secretary of State for India should have vessels to run on the direct route by Suez.

At this part of the hon. and gallant gentleman's speech, an hon. member moved that the committee be counted.

There were not forty members present, and the House stood adjourned at about ten minutes to nine o'clock.

HOUSE OF LORDS.—JUNE 13.

ABYSSINIA.

Lord CHELMSFORD said that on a former evening the noble earl at the head of the Foreign Office had stated that Sir William Cogan was of opinion that it was not desirable to send a mission to Abyssinia with presents until the prisoners had been released from captivity. Thinking that opinion a rather extraordinary one, he had got a relative of Capt. Cameron to write to Sir William Cogan on the subject. In reply to that letter, Sir Wm. Cogan stated that what he intended to convey was, that a mission should be sent with presents, and an answer to the King of Abyssinia's letter; but that that answer should contain no reference to the detention of prisoners; that the ambassador should appear to discover this for himself on his arrival in the country, and should then employ his best efforts to obtain their release, withholding for that purpose the delivery of the Queen's letter and of the presents until the Englishmen in captivity were liberated. But Sir William Cogan stated that the position of things had now been greatly changed in consequence of the disagreements that had taken place, and that he thought the Queen's letters should now refer distinctly to the detention of her subjects. Sir William's opinion was that the efforts of Mr. Rassam had failed, and that it would be

requisite to send out a mission from England, adding that he would be willing to undertake the duty of envoy.

Earl RUSSELL said that he had communicated with Sir William Cogan through Mr. Layard, and it was probably in this way that the misunderstanding had arisen.

The Earl of MALMESBURY asked whether it was true that the fatal mistake of detaining the King of Abyssinia's letter for some months did not originate in the India-office. It seemed to him that both the Government and the country had displayed great apathy with regard to the treatment of our countrymen in Abyssinia.

Earl RUSSELL replied to the noble earl's question, but in so low a tone as to be inaudible in the gallery. He also pointed out that it was utterly impossible to bring force to bear upon the King of Abyssinia, because, in order to do so, it would be requisite to march 5,000 men for 200 miles through a very hot and unhealthy climate.

The subject then dropped.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—JUNE 15.

THE INDIAN BUDGET.

In reply to Mr. J. B. SMITH,

Sir C. WOOD stated that he would make his annual statement on Indian finance either on Thursday next or on the following Monday.

Mr. A. MILLS: Is it the right hon. gentleman's intention to propose a loan for India?

Sir C. WOOD: I have already stated that I have no such intention.

HER MAJESTY'S LEVEE.

By command of the Queen a Levée was held on Wednesday, the 7th inst., at St. James's Palace, by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, on behalf of her Majesty. The following were among the presentations which took place:—

Mr. J. H. Bax, c.n., Bengal C.S.
 Capt. T. W. R. Boisragon, Bengal Staff Corps.
 Mr. Philip Braybrooke, Ceylon C.S., by Right Hon. E. Cardwell.
 Major O. T. Burne, unattached, by Lieut.-gen. Sir Hugh Rose.
 Major C. H. Byers, Bengal Staff Corps, by Gen. Sir George Pollock.
 Capt. H. B. Chalmers, Bengal Staff Corps.
 Capt. H. M. de W. Douglas, late 67th Regiment Bengal N.I.
 Lieut.-col. Dunsterville, Bombay Staff Corps, and Commissary-general of the Bombay Army, by Lieut.-gen. Sir Hugh Rose.
 Lieut. John Finnis, H.M.'s Indian Army, by Mr. Alderman Finnis.
 Lieut.-col. Furneaux, 103rd Royal Bombay Fusiliers.
 Commander R. H. Harington, R.N., on promotion and return from Japan, by the Duke of Somerset.
 Capt. F. S. Iredell, H.M.'s 16th Regiment Bombay N.I., by Gen. Sir Hugh Rose.
 Lieut.-col. F. C. Maisey, Bengal Staff, by Gen. Sir Hugh Rose.
 Capt. E. H. Paske, Bengal Staff Corps.
 Mr. L. C. Probyn, Bengal C.S.
 Lieut.-col. R. Kenny, c.n., Bengal Staff Corps, on being made a c.n.
 Major Rice, 72nd Highlanders, by Sir Hugh Rose.
 Mr. G. L. Ricketts Ricketts, on his marriage and change of name, by Lieut.-col. Cavendish.
 Lieut.-col. C. P. Rigby, H.M.'s Bombay Staff Corps, by Gen. Sir Hugh Rose.
 Gen. Sir A. Roberts, on his being made a k.c.b., by the Commander-in-Chief.
 Lieut. B. Rogers, Bengal Staff Corps.
 Lieut.-gen. Sir Hugh Rose, on his return from India, by the Duke of Cambridge.
 Lieut. Wm. Warren, 60th Regiment Rifles, by the Adjutant-general.
 Major Wilkin, 48th Regiment, by Sir Hugh Rose.
 Mr. H. L. Wood, 10th Hussars.
 Lieut.-gen. Sir Wm. Wyllie, k.c.b., on appointment as a k.c.b., by the Duke of Cambridge.
 Mr. J. W. S. Wyllie, Under-sec. to the Government of India, by his father, Lieut.-gen. Sir Wm. Wyllie.

ORDER OF THE BATH.

The Queen, as Sovereign of the Order of the Bath, having been pleased, by a special statute of the Order, to depute his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to hold, in her Majesty's name and on her Majesty's behalf, an Investiture of this most Honourable Order, the ceremony took place on Thursday, the 8th inst., at St. James's Palace.

The Knights Grand Cross assembled in the Entrée Gallery between two and three o'clock, and having been robed by Mr. Hunter and Mr. Ede, in their mantles and collars, passed into the presence chamber, where their names were called over, and the following responded to the call:—

Field Marshal his Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, Field Marshal Viscount Gough, General Sir George Pollock, the Right Hon. Sir Hamilton Seymour, the Right Hon. Sir George Grey, Bart., General Sir Alexander Woodford, General Sir John Fox Burgoyne, Bart., General Sir Richard England, Earl St. Germans, Lieut.-General Sir Hugh Henry Rose, Admiral Sir Michael Seymour, the Right Hon. Sir John Somerset Pakington, Bart., General Sir William Maynard Gomm, Admiral Sir Thomas John Cochrane, General Sir John Bell, Lieut.-General Sir Charles Yorke, Lieut.-General Sir Patrick Grant, General Sir James Archibald Hope, Lieut.-General Sir Harry Jones, Lord Lyons, and Viscount Sydney.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, her Majesty's representative on this occasion, wearing the mantle and collar of the Order, and accompanied by his Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, similarly attired, was conducted to the throne-room by the Earl of St. Germans (Lord Steward), and the Viscount Sydney (Lord Chamberlain).

The announcement that the Prince of Wales had taken his place in front of the throne having been made, the Knights Grand Cross were called over in the Presence Chamber, and proceeded according to seniority into the Throne Room, and ranged themselves on either side.

The officers of the Order in attendance wearing their mantles, chains, and badges, were the Dean of Westminster, Dean of the Order; Albert W. Woods, Esq., Lancaster Herald, Registrar and Secretary of the Order; Vice-Admiral the Hon. Geo. Grey, Bath King-at-Arms; and G. C. Barrington, Esq., Gentleman Usher of the Red Rod.

The Knights Grand Cross being duly arranged, and the officers of the Order having assumed their accustomed places, the special statute which delegated to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales power to perform the ceremony of Investiture was read by the Dean of the Order.

The following Knights Grand Cross of the Order were afterwards severally introduced and invested by his Royal Highness with the like ceremonies, with the ribbon and badge and star of the Military Division of the First Class of the Order, viz.:—

General Sir William Rowan, Admiral Sir Houston Stewart, General Sir George Augustus Wetherall, Admiral Sir Henry Ducie Chads, General Sir James Frederick Love, General Sir James Jackson, Lieutenant-General Sir John Cheape, Lieutenant-General Viscount Melville, Admiral the Hon. Sir Frederick William Grey, Admiral Sir George Robert Lambert.

The following Knights Commanders of the Order were then severally introduced, and invested by his Royal Highness with the like ceremonies, with the Riband and Badge and Star of the Military Division of the Second Class of the Order, viz., General Sir Thomas Kenah, Admiral Sir George Rose Sartorius, General Sir Abraham Roberts, Lieutenant-General Sir William Cator, Lieutenant-General Sir Patrick Montgomerie, Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Reid, Lieutenant-General Sir John Scott, Lieutenant-Gen. Sir William

Wyllie, Lieutenant-General Sir Charles Ash Windham, Vice-Admiral the Earl of Lauderdale, Vice-Admiral Sir John Kingcome, Vice-Admiral Horatio Thomas Austin, Lieutenant-General Sir John Edward Dupuis, Lieutenant-General Sir Fortescue Graham, Rear-Admiral Sir Sydney Colpoys Dacres, Major-General Lord William Paulet, Major-General the Hon. Sir Augustus Almeric Spencer, Colonel Sir J. William Gordon, Colonel Sir Edward Harris Greathed, Sir James Brown Gibson, Director-General of the Army Medical Department; Inspector-General of Hospitals Sir William Linton, Commissary-General-in-Chief Sir William James Tyrone Power, General Sir Charles Menzies, Major-General Sir Charles Warren, Admiral Edward Collier, and Vice-Admiral Peter Richards.

The names of the Knights Commanders were severally announced by the Gentleman Usher.

The ceremony then concluded.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE WILL OF CAPTAIN J. M. SPEKE, the distinguished explorer of the Nile, an officer in her Majesty's Indian Army, Bengal Native Infantry, has been proved in the London Court. The personality was sworn under £5,000. The executors appointed are his brothers, the Rev. Benjamin Speke, rector of Dowlsh Wake and West Dowlsh, Somerset (who alone is acting), and William Speke, who renounced the grant. The testator has bequeathed the whole of his property of every description to his brother, the Rev. Benjamin Speke, for his own absolute use.

PICKING A JUDGE'S POCKET.—On Monday, the 5th inst., the Lord Mayor sentenced George Reeve, a lad of eighteen, to six weeks' hard labour for picking the pocket of Mr. Andrew Thomas Turton Peterson, one of the judges of her Majesty's High Court of Bengal, of a handkerchief, in the vicinity of Billingsgate. The complainant stated that, having just lost his handkerchief from one frock-pocket, he regained it, when it was a second time stolen. "He had had many years' experience as a judge, and he never knew anything more audacious or clever in its way. For a time he was so firmly opinioned that he was helpless, and the transaction took place at mid-day, and in a great public thoroughfare."

INSPECTION OF ARTILLERY BY THE DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE.—The troops in garrison at Woolwich were on Friday week paraded in marching order, at the review ground, and were inspected by the Duke of Cambridge, Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief. The Duke was accompanied by Lieut.-General Sir Hugh Henry Rose, G.C.B., K.S.I., &c. The object of His Royal Highness's visit to Woolwich was to inspect the three batteries of royal artillery under orders for India. There were about 3,000 men on the ground, including cavalry and infantry, each man being supplied with twenty rounds of blank ammunition. His Royal Highness carefully inspected the whole of the men, as well as the horses and guns. The regularity of the movements of the troops and the excellent condition of the horses were repeatedly remarked by the Commander-in-Chief to General Warde and Sir Hugh Rose.

INDIAN PRESENTS TO THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES.—A short time since many remarkably rich presents were brought home from various rajahs in our Indian empire who desired to show their loyalty to the throne, and their affection to the Prince and Princess of Wales; also from European and native subjects in the country, and from residents in Australia. Their Royal Highnesses having kindly considered that persons interested in India and Australia would be glad to have an opportunity of seeing the magnificent gifts, have requested Messrs. Garrard, the crown jewellers, to take charge of them

for a few days, so that they may be inspected at their establishment in the Haymarket. The following are selections from the Indian portion of the catalogue. It will be judged from the description, and seen by actual inspection, that these precious ornaments "of barbaric pearls and gold," splendid caskets of jewellery, and inlaid work, are of an exceedingly costly character, and if the native workmen have not displayed that skill in setting which European artists possess, the dusky potentates for whom the articles were made have shown, at least, a gorgeous taste in the display of the richest valuables. The Rajahs' gifts consist principally of suites of emeralds, pearls, and diamond necklaces, armlets, bracelets, bangles, &c., &c., &c. The Rajahs of Nabha, Putteala, Kupoortulla, Seend, and Furreedkote contribute,—some of these are the same liberal native princes who contributed so magnificently to the Indian Court of the Great Exhibition of 1862. One of the most remarkable objects is a casket presented to the Prince and Princess by the European and native subjects of her Majesty in the Punjab. The lid of this casket contains portraits in ivory of men whose names have become historical in connection with India during the mutiny. All these portraits and views have been executed by native workmen with astonishing fidelity and microscopic minuteness. A large shield also is a very fine specimen of workmanship. The body is of a curiously watered steel, into which ornaments in gold of a fanciful pattern are laid, and in the centre of some plates there are figures in gold in high relief. In the centre are boxes enriched with large stars in diamonds. There is also a large jewelled sword of fine and elaborate workmanship, the present of the Rajah of Kupoortulla, a gift of great value, consisting of a decanter-shaped vessel, four large cups and saucers and covers, and a tray, all of solid gold and beautifully damascened. The collection altogether is well worthy to be associated with the other splendid presents offered to their Royal Highnesses on their marriage.

EUROPEAN ASSURANCE SOCIETY.—The annual general meeting of the shareholders of this company was held June 1, at St. James's Hall; Mr. Wickham, M.P., in the chair. Mr. W. Cleland, secretary, read the report. It stated that the premiums on the new life and guarantee policies issued during the year amounted to £13,259. 16s. 9d. In accordance with the recommendation of the shareholders at the last annual general meeting, the directors entered on the business of fire insurance in June last. The premiums received in this department amounted to £13,259. 17s. 11d. The gross amount actually received in premiums during the year was £169,658. 12s. 7d. The life and guarantee claims paid during the year amounted to £86,717. 4s. 10d. The increase in the assets of the society during the year had been £52,925. 18s. 10d. The union of this society and the British Nation Life Assurance Association had, under the advice and recommendation of Mr. Finlaison, the Government actuary, been completed. The results of the union the directors felt must be regarded by the shareholders with great satisfaction. The subscribed capital is raised to upwards of £700,000, the number of shareholders to more than 1,200, the annual income to upwards of £300,000, while the new premium income of the united companies for the year 1864 amounts to £46,507. The progress of the societies since the union had been highly satisfactory. The premium income derived from new business during the last two months was at the rate of more than £50,000 a year, an amount considerably in excess of that effected by the two societies in their separate condition, and the directors fully anticipated that this rate would be still further increased as the various agencies were brought into a greater degree of efficiency.

The Chairman, in moving the adoption of the report, referred to the various operations of the society during the past year, and congratulated the shareholders on the result that had accrued. With respect to the amalgamation of this company with the British Nation Life Assurance Association and the Mercantile Union Fire Company mentioned in the report he believed that that amalgamation would be of great benefit, and he congratulated this company on having obtained so much increased and good business. Their premium now amounted to £1,000 a day, and their new business to £1,000 a week. This was quite enough to show the prosperous condition of the society. Mr. J. E. McConnell seconded the motion, and it was agreed to unanimously. The retiring directors were unanimously re-elected; Mr. J. Parker was elected auditor.

HOME ACCOUNTS OF INDIA.—The home accounts of the Government of India have been presented to Parliament. The total receipts of the Home Treasury of the Government of India from the 1st of May, 1863, to April 30, 1864, were £23,504,123. 5s. 1d., and the balance in hand on the latter date was £1,596,274. 3s.; the total expenditure having been £18,907,849. 2s. 1d. The "estimated account" of receipts and disbursements by the Home Treasury for the year ended the 30th of April last shows a total of receipts of £15,770,906, against an expenditure of £11,856,015, the balance being £3,914,891. An account of the debts and credits in England of the Home Government of India on the 1st of the present month shows a total of £29,397,537 debts, and £14,558,871 credits. This is exclusive on the one hand of the amount owing to proprietors of India stock for their capital, and on the other hand of the Guarantee or Security Fund, formed under the provisions of the Act 3 and 4 William IV., cap. 85. The salaries and allowances payable on the 1st of May to members of the establishment of the Secretary of State in Council for India amounted to £118,301, due to 342 persons. In addition to this there were allowances payable to persons temporarily employed, amounting to £4,863. The new pensions granted in the year ended the 30th April last amounted to the annual charge of £3,670. 18s. 6d. They include £1,000 per year to the Countess of Elgin and Kincardine, "as a mark of the high sense entertained by the Secretary of State for India in Council of the valuable services of the late Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Viceroy and Governor-general of India, and in consideration of his premature death;" and the like sum to Sir Henry Hayes Lawrence, Bart., "as a mark of the sense entertained by the Secretary of State for India in Council of the eminent services of his grandfather, the late Sir Henry Lawrence, K.C.B., during his long career in India, and especially in the defence of the Residency of Lucknow."

BILLS ON INDIA.—The biddings for 3,000,000 rs. (£300,000) in bills on India took place on Wednesday, the 7th inst., at the Bank of England, and the following are the official particulars: The proportions allotted were, to Calcutta 1,957,747 rs., to Madras 25,000 rs., and to Bombay 9,15,000 rs. The minimum price was, as before, 1s. 10½d. on Calcutta and Madras, and 1s. 10½d. on Bombay. All tenders on Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay, at and above 1s. 10½d., will receive in full.

SCINDE, PUNJAB, AND DELHI BANK.—The directors of this corporation have made a first call of £3 per share on the third issue of shares, which is to be paid on the 31st July at the Union Bank of London.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.—Notice has been given by the directors of this bank that a dividend of 8½ per cent. (free of income-tax) for the current half-year will be paid to the shareholders on the London register on and after the 1st July next.

THE CEYLON COMPANY held its annual meeting on the 13th inst., when a statement of accounts was presented showing a net profit of £36,275. 11s. 8d., out of which the directors proposed a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, and a bonus of 5 per cent. on the paid-up capital, amounting together to 14s. per share, payable on the 15th inst. The sum of £5,000 was to be transferred to the reserve fund, leaving a balance of £3,095. 11s. 8d. At a special meeting afterwards held the directors proposed that the nominal capital of the company should be increased from £500,000 to £1,000,000, and that in the event of a contemplated purchase being completed, 12,500 of the new shares should be issued and allotted to the shareholders on the 30th inst. Resolutions in accordance with this proposal were moved and carried.

EAST INDIA COMPANY.—At a general court of proprietors of the East India Company, held on the 14th inst., Colonel Sykes, M.P., presiding, a notice was read by the chairman, stating that the dividend on East India stock payable on the 6th of July will be ready for delivery at the Bank of England on that day. A detailed account exhibiting the state of the East India Company on the 1st of June, 1865, was also read, showing an aggregate total amount of £5,287,258. 3s. 5½d. Three per Cent. Reduced; £777,178. 14s. 3d. Three per Cent. Consols; total, £6,064,436. 17s. 8d. Company's investments, June 1, £10,242. 19s. 7d.; Exchequer bills, £6,000.

ASSAM TEA COMPANY.—At the annual meeting of this company on the 13th inst., the chairman, Mr. H. M. Kemphead, in moving the adoption of the report, congratulated the shareholders upon their dividend of 25 per cent. for two years. The sale of lands, he said, to the Northern Assam Company was beneficial to both companies; and, estimating the remaining lands of the company at the rate paid for that land, it would give an asset of £1,200,000. The report was unanimously adopted, and it was referred to the board to reward the secretary for his services.

NORTHERN ASSAM TEA COMPANY.—The first instalment of £30,000 was paid on Thursday by the Northern Assam Tea Company to the old Assam Company, for the purchase of the estates belonging to the latter, situated in the northern and eastern districts of Assam.

INDIA COMMERCIAL TELEGRAM.—*Bombay, June 13.*—Stock of cotton small, and quality inferior. *Calcutta, June 12.*—Market improving. *Bombay, via Persian Gulf, June 9.*—The quotations are:—Broach, Rs. 215 per candy; Freights, 30s. per ton; Exchange, 2s. per rupee; Shirts, 50-39 in. 6lb., Rs. 4. 6a.; net, 7s. 6d.; 30's Mule Yarn, 9a. per lb.; net, 11½d. Market better. Shipments of cotton from the 24th of May, 70,000 bales.

INDIAN LAW.—In a Convocation of the University of Oxford, held on the 12th inst., it was agreed that the statute under which a reader in Indian law has been appointed, and which will expire at the end of the present term, be continued for one year; that the reader be authorised, besides giving such special instruction in law as may be required for candidates for the Civil Service of India, to give lectures on law available also for students for the School of Law and Modern History; and that the stipend of the reader be increased to £250, the reader to give a number of lectures not less in the whole than he is required to give by the existing statute, and not to receive fees except from selected candidates for the Indian Civil Service.

MONUMENT TO LORD CANNING.—The site selected in Westminster Abbey for a statue of the late Lord Canning is in close proximity to that of the Right Hon. George Canning. The work is placed in the hands of Mr. Foley, who is also commissioned with an equestrian group of the same nobleman for India.

MILITARY ITEMS.—The 9th Company Royal Engineers, some time under orders for the Mauritius, are now to go to the Bermudas, the previous order being cancelled.

APPOINTMENT.—Elphinstone Jackson, Esq., of the Bengal Civil Service, has been gazetted a Judge of the High Court of Judicature at Fort William in Bengal.

RICHARD WALL, Esq., M.A., Queen's University in Ireland, H.M.'s Bengal Civil Service, was called to the Irish Bar on the 1st inst.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

June 6. Queen of the Ave, Calcutta; City of Calcutta, Calcutta.—7. Moldavian Sarawak; Sir John Lawrence, Calcutta; Lady Bowen, Singapore.—8. Carn Tual, Kurrachee; Paragon, Old Calabar; Bella Maria, Bombay; Edwin Fox, Singapore.—9. Kenyon, Calcutta.—11. Dolbadern Castle, Bombay.—12. Amoor, Calcutta.—13. Albert Victor, Calcutta; Donald M'Kay, Kurrachee.—14. Sea Queen, Calcutta; Avalanche, Penang; Chrysolite, Calcutta.—15. Amelie and Cecile, Manilla.

DEPARTURES.

June 7. Monckchester, Japan.—8. Cosmos, Singapore; Adelaide, Negapatam; Washington Irving, Rangoon.—11. Baroda, Calcutta; Northern Cross, Madras; William Watson, Bombay.—14. L'Agoulianna, Bombay; Rowanree, Bombay; Alumbagh, Calcutta.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per Overland Route, June 12, per str. Ceylon.—From SOUTHAMPTON.—To BOMBAY.—Col. Skinner, two Misses Goddard, Mr. W. T. Hart, Miss Ann Sherreff.

Per str. Syria.—From MARSHALLS.—To BOMBAY.—Capt. Henchy, Mr. Munro, Mr. A. Macniven, Mr. J. Marshall, Mr. Angus, Mr. Cow. To ALEXANDRIA.—Mr. J. Ashbury.

DOMESTIC.

BIRTHS.

BRODHURST—The wife of B. E. Brodhurst, Esq., of a son, at 6, Lewes-crescent, Brighton, May 30.
BROWN—The wife of Captain G. A. Brown, 1st Bengal N.I., of a daughter, at Cheltenham, June 3.

MOLONY—The wife of Frederick B. Molony, Madras Civil Service, of a son, at Dublin, June 2.

PENSON—The wife of W. C. Penson, Esq., of Bombay, of a son, at Carlton-road, June 8.

ROPER—The wife of W. Trevor Roper, Esq., formerly of Bombay, of a daughter, at Hooton, Cheshire, June 5.

TWYFORD—The wife of Captain Ennis Twyford, Madras Staff Corps, of a son, at Bath, June 3.

WILLIAMS—The wife of Captain Jackson M. Williams, H.M.'s Indian Army, of a daughter, at Eltham, June 13.

MARRIAGES.

BADDELEY-JACKSON.—Paul Frederick M. Baddeley, Royal Artillery, son of Dr. Baddeley, late of the Indian Army, to Katherine E., daughter of the late Captain R. H. S. Jackson, at Little Bookham, Surrey, June 1.

COOKSON-RAWLINSON.—James Cookson, Esq., of Neasham-hall, in the county of Durham, to Georgiana M., daughter of the late Captain W. E. Rawlinson, Bombay Army, at St. James's, Piccadilly, June 8.

FAWCETT-MACDOUGALL.—Edward Boyd Fawcett, Esq., to Myra E., daughter of Lieut. colonel Mac Dougall, late of H.M.'s Bengal Army, at the Parish Church, Hove, Brighton, June 8.

GARRATT-PICKARD.—R. S. Garratt, Esq., late H.E.I.Co.'s Civil Service, to Rosanna, daughter of the late G. H. Pickard, Esq., at St. Luke's, Chelsea, June 8.

HORNIDGE-GRIFFITH.—Lieut. colonel William Hornidge, H.M.'s Indian Army, to Mary Jane T., daughter of the Rev. G. F. Griffith, D.D., Rector of Elm, at Elm Church, Somerset, June 8.

PIRRIE-COCHRAN.—George Pirrie, Esq., H.M.'s 17th Madras N.I., to Margaret Gordon, daughter of Francis James Cochran, Esq., of Balfour, at Crown-terrace, Aberdeen, June 6.

WESTROPP-WESTROPP.—The Hon. Mr. Justice Westropp, of the High Court at Bombay, to Eliza, daughter of the late Lieut. colonel Lionel Westropp, of H.M.'s 58th Regiment, at the Parish Church, Rugby, June 3.

DEATHS.

BRIGHAM—Anna, widow of the late John Brigham, Esq., Assistant surgeon, Madras Army, and daughter of the late Lieut. colonel Hugh Hay Ross, at the residence of her cousin, John A. Tinne, Esq., Briarley, Aigbarth, Liverpool, aged 84, June 5.

BRIGHT—Richard Priusep, infant son of George Bright, Esq., Bengal Civil Service, at Brighton, aged 13 months, June 9.

FAITHFUL—Charlotte Chauntrell, wife of F. Dundas Faithful, Esq., of Bombay, on the South-Eastern Railway, near Staplehurst, June 9.

PORTKOUS—Elizabeth Mary, eldest daughter of Charles Porteous, Esq., late H.E.I. Co.'s Service, at Guernsey, aged 21.

RANSOM—Ellen, wife of Captain Henry S. Ransom, late of the Bengal Marine, at Thorn-cottage, Peckham-rye, aged 37, June 3.

RONALD—Basil W., son of James Ronald, Esq., H.E.I.C.S., at Camberwell, aged 35, June 7.

TRUSCOTT—General John Truscott, H.M.'s Bengal Army, at Dawlish, aged 87, June 12.

THOMPSON—Emily E., wife of Captain Penton Thompson, Royal Artillery, and daughter of Colonel G. P. Whish, of H.M.'s Bengal Army, at 23, Dawson-place, Bayswater, aged 27, June 6.

India Office,

June 16, 1865.

ARRIVALS REPORTED IN ENGLAND.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Messrs. H. D. Willock, G. E. Lance, W. Ford, H. M. Chase, F. M. Lind, H. A. Cockrell, W. J. R. Carnac, O. Toogood, W. Blunt, R. G. Currie, D. Simpson, J. C. Dodgson, G. L. Lang, R. Temple, R. N. Cust, T. H. Cowie (Advocate gen.), R. C. A. Hamilton (Uncov.), C. F. Rowband (Uncov.), J. Lincoln (Uncov.), A. P. Simkins (Uncov.), G. A. Andrews (Uncov.).

Madras Estab.—Mr. F. H. Woodcoffe.

Bombay Estab.—Messrs. J. R. Morgan, W. Ramsay, T. Selby (Uncov.), G. B. Medley (Uncov.), G. T. Giersten (Uncov.), R. H. Kinchant, B. A. (Uncov.), H. E. Leeke (Uncov.), Capt. J. W. Young (Uncov.), Lieut. W. L. Searle, I.N. (Uncov.).

MILITARY.

Bengal Estab.—Major H. Chamberlain, Staff Corps; Capt. G. V. Fosbery, 4th Eur. Regt.; Capt. R. C. Low, 4th Eur. Cav.; Lieut. A. Andrew, Staff Corps; Lieut. col. E. J. Simpson, Inf.; Capt. R. Cadell, Staff Corps; Capt. J. Trevenen, Staff Corps.

Madras Estab.—Lieut. E. C. Steer, 3rd Eur. Regt.; Surg. maj. A. C. Macleod, Med. Estab.

Bombay Estab.—Lieut. A. M. Phillips, Staff Corps; Asst. surg. J. F. Straker, Med. Estab.; Capt. W. A. Glasspool, 4th N.I.; Lieut. H. B. Hill, Inf.; Capt. C. J. Merriman, Engrs.

GRANTED EXTENSION OF LEAVE.

CIVIL.

Bengal Estab.—Mr. C. J. Powlett, 5 mo.; Mr. L. S. Jackson, 5 mo.

Madras Estab.—Mr. C. F. Chamier, 5 mo.

Bombay Estab.—Mr. H. M. Grant (Uncov.), 3 mo.

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